



Shalford Infant School
Oak Class Learning Letter
January 2016



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second term in Oak Class! We hope that you have had a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas holiday. The children have been very eager to return to learning in class. We also welcome two new children to our class, Ivan I and Elsa.

Many thanks,
Mr Parkin and Miss Preen

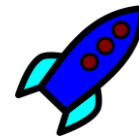


Our Topic for this half-term is:

Space

We will be learning about Tim Peake's mission to the International Space Station and other space related things. We will use this topic to help us with writing, reading and mathematics.

During the first week back, we will discuss what we would like to learn about in our new topic!



Show and Tell

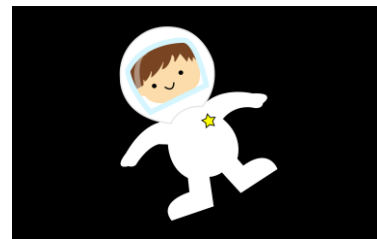
We will continue to have Show and Tell on Thursday afternoons. The timetable has been sent out by Paentmail. To help children become even more confident at talking in front of a group, there are a few things you can do at home! Please talk to your child about these questions so they have more to talk about when showing their special object.

- What is it?
- Where did you get it?
- When did you get it?
- How do you use it?
- Why did you want to take it to school?



Dress up day

As part of our Space topic, we will have a dress-up day on **Wednesday 13th January**. Children are invited to come dressed as an astronaut, scientist, alien, rocket or star!



Twitter

Hopefully you find our Twitter page useful and interesting. We will be tweeting Tim Peake on the International Space Station with pictures of our work in class. Our aim is to get a tweet back from him in space!

School Council Elections

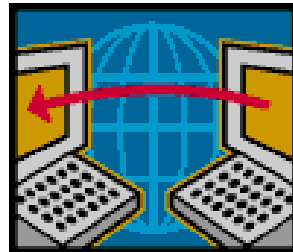
Oak Class will be holding elections to select our two School Councillors. We will hold the election on **Friday 8th January**.

If your child would like to stand, they should make an election poster at home. We will have a hustings on 8th January and candidates will be able to say why they are standing.



View Pure

Children in Oak Class often talk about how they like to watch Youtube clips at home. View Pure is a website which removes comments and most adverts from Youtube clips, making it safer for children to watch video clips online. The address for View Pure is <http://viewpure.com/>.



Class Trip to Guildford Library

We will be visiting Guildford Library on Friday 4th March. The visit will help children become more enthusiastic about reading. If children have a library card, they will be able to get a book.



Reading at home

It has been a pleasure to see how the children have become enthusiastic readers. To help us know if we need to change your child's book, please sign your pupil's reading record after you have read with them. Many thanks for your help with this!



Language of the Month

Here are our languages of the month!

January - Spanish

February - Mandarin Chinese

You could find out countries where these languages are spoken using the internet.

Chinese New Year

We will be learning about Chinese New Year in February. This will help children learn about different countries around the world.

