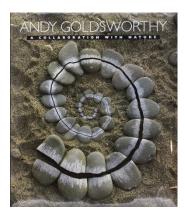
18th May 2020

Dear Parents and Larks class,

Hope you are all keeping safe and well.

I've been looking at the pictures of your bakes for The Great Whelnetham Bake off..... and they look so yummy! Well done!!

This week, Mrs Wallis has launched a project to make an outdoors sculpture. A perfect project, as the weather looks like it's going to be lovely this week!







Don't forget to send in pictures of your outdoor sculptures for the school website. (Please state giving us permission to use them on the website)

I'm hoping that your Home Learning is still going well. The Oaks Academy website this week has some new exciting things for you to do at home. Remember, there are no mixed class lessons, but you can select Reception or Year one as you think appropriate for your child's ability/interest.

Reception children:

Literacy: this week you are reading the story Jack and the Beanstalk and maybe you could plant a seed, like he did!

Numeracy: this week you will be finding one less than a given number

Foundation subjects: this week you will learn all about different feelings

PE: PE with Joe Wicks

Year One

Literacy: this week you are going to learn all about a Terrifying T-Rex! You will be answering questions after listening to information about him.

Numeracy: this week you will be using your knowledge of number bonds.

Foundation subjects: this week you will be answering the question, 'What is an explorer?'

PE: PE with Joe Wicks

This week we are attaching book lists for Reception and Key Stage One reading.



Also for reading inspiration and lots of other fab resources try having a look at this link

https://www.hayfestival.com/c-247-programme-forschools.aspx?resetfilters=true&localesetting=en-GB

Thank you for everything that you are doing in assisting your child with their home learning. This will be the last letter I send, as myself and Mrs Coe are hoping to be able to see you back at school in just over a weeks time! However, if you do not intend on sending your child back to school on June 1st, please continue to access the online resources available on The Oaks Academy and Bitesize websites.

Keep practising and re-enforcing all of the phonics the children have learnt, saying the sound and making the action. Continue to recognise, read and write letters and tricky words. Try to write simple sentences, starting with a capital letter, using finger space and ending with a full stop.

Do lots of reading and see if the children can tell you the letter name and spot any of their tricky words in the books. Can they answer questions about what has happened? What do they think might happen next, and why?

Continue to count and practice writing numbers. Can children give you one more and one less than a given number? Practice sharing equally between two, talk about doubles and halves of numbers.

Practice counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. Have a look at the clock and talk about the different hands and explain o'clock and half past. Get children to look at coins, can they recognise how much each coin is worth? Can they make 5p using different coins? You could set up a shop!

You could make the most of the weather and spend time outside looking for minibeasts and planting/growing flowers or vegetables. Can the children name the different parts of the plant? Can the children tell you which minibeasts have wings? Which have no legs? Or how many legs? Look at the habitat of the minibeasts, where do they like to live? What is it like?

Keep practising lots of fine-motor skills like picking up beads, threading, using tweezers. Continue to practice cutting skills and pencil control.

Keep busy and keep safe. Hope to see you soon.

Miss Wedderburn