**Oak Class Newsletter 7**  **Friday 23.06.2017**

We had a sweltering start to this week – but we were all really sensible with our self-care. We applied lots of lotion (even though we knew we had to stay in the shade) and we drank a LOT of water!

We each talked about our Daddy and we discussed how we had made Father’s Day special. We also learnt a little song to sing to our Daddy! We hope you all had a very special time celebrating.

In our ‘Numbers’ work, we practised sharing objects into groups. We were brilliant at sharing between two groups and five groups – and we even practised sharing between three groups, four groups and TEN groups! We’ve also continued to practise our subtraction during our daily Big Maths time.

In PE, we created our own team games at different stations (which included rope ladders, space hoppers, hoops and beanbags). We impressed the adults in our class with our teamwork and we made up rules to keep our games fair.

In Literacy, we read another book by Eileen Browne (our Author of the Month) called ‘Handa’s Hen’. We then wrote a similar story about a pet of our own.

With Mrs Rees, we investigated different animals and we classified them according to their characteristics. We impressed her with our ideas about how to categorise them. We counted the number of the legs that they had; we thought about where they live and we considered what they eat.

Today, with Miss Rickards, we imagined a day in the life of our futuristic character. Our discussion was fantastic!

As the children are so engaged in thinking about futuristic characters – and in particular the ‘Space’ aspect of their work in Drama, the children have decided that they would like to finish their time in Oak Class with learning centred around rockets, planets and astronauts! It will fit well with our over-arching topic of ‘Out and About’ – and the adults are excited about creating opportunities for the children to enjoy discovering new facts. We think the role-play area will become a rocket and a space centre – or possibly a space travel agency! If your child has anything that relates to Space at home, it would be fantastic if they could share it during next Friday’s ‘Show and Tell’ session. Thank you!

We also had an enjoyable visit from two local Police Community Support Officers. They helped us to remember how to stay safe and they allowed us to explore their equipment and try on parts of their uniform! I have added some photographs of their visit to our class page on the school website.

**NOTICES**

**Half Price Book Fair**

**Next Wednesday will hopefully be the start of our week-long HALF PRICE book fair!** Purchases can be made each day (in the hall) after school from approximately 3:20pm. We hope you will be able to browse the books to see what is on offer.

**Reading Books**

If your child has read their book(s), we have been changing them immediately. Some children’s books are being changed every single day – which is fantastic. Please aim to read for five minutes with your child each day.

**Transition Day**

Next Wednesday (28th June), Oak Class will be spending their SECOND day in Chestnut Class. The children had a really lovely time with Miss Abbott this week and they are very excited about being in Year One again. We had a super speaking and listening session on Thursday, when the children recalled lots of interesting things about their exciting day in Chestnut Class.

**Lost Property**

**Please look for Alfie’s red sun cap.** It has an image of Baymax (a superhero character) on it and Alfie would be thrilled to get it back. Thank you!

Please let us know if you would like anything added to the newsletter.

Don’t forget that I am available at the end of each day (when all of the children have been safely collected) if you wish to discuss anything.

Many thanks,

**Mrs. S Breakwell**