

Dear Parents / Carers,

The table below gives you information about the theme your child will be learning about for this term, each class can take a different approach to this topic, to be more specific for the group of children, your child is with. If you feel you can help us in anyway please get in touch!

<h2 style="text-align: center;">HELPERS AND HEROES</h2>			
Curriculum Subject Focus	History	Art 2D	Music
<b>Spring Term 2025</b>			
<b>Happy Centred Schools Driver: Spring 1 - Achievement &amp; Success, Spring 2 – Support</b>			
<p>The Helpers and Heroes theme is designed to develop pupils' life-long learning knowledge and skills through Music, History, and Art. Pupils will explore heroes from the past and present, as well as people and organisations who help others, and represent these ideas through 2D artwork. Portraits, facial features, and differences will provide meaningful links across subjects and offer real-life, engaging learning opportunities.</p> <p>Consistent routines in DT and PE will support pupils' independence skills (EHC focused) and broaden their understanding of the wider world through imaginative, purposeful experiences. Collaborative learning will be strengthened through activities that promote togetherness and inclusivity.</p> <p>Throughout the term, sessions will have clear learning intentions connected to Music, History, or Art. Knowledge will build cumulatively towards pathway end points. In addition, learning about sports and healthy lifestyles will help pupils develop strategies that support positive mental health and wellbeing.</p>			
<b>Class Focus</b>	To create their own book all about helpers in the community- 'My Little Helpers Book'.		
<b>Project &amp; Internal Visits</b>	We are arranging visitors to come into school from a range of services, so the children can become familiar with people who help in the community and what they look like.		
<b>Independence Cooking</b>	In the spring term pupils will be learning to describe textures and tastes of different foods. They will also learn about key concepts such as hot/cold/soft and crunchy.		
<b>Books</b>	<p>Our books for Spring term will be;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Life Savers: Spend a day with 12 real-life emergency service heroes by Eryl Nash</li> <li>• Traction Man by Mini Grey</li> </ul>		
<b>Happy Centred School</b>	<p>The driver for next term is Achievement and Success. The children in Oak class will be learning to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seek out others to share experiences</li> <li>• Respond to a few appropriate boundaries with encouragement and support</li> <li>• Explore objects by linking together different approaches</li> </ul>		
<b>PE /Forest School / Forest School</b>	<p>Activities: Dance and Outdoor Adventurous activities</p> <p>P.E Kit: Joggers, t-shirt, pumps or trainers</p> <p>Swimming: Towel, swimming trunks/costume, swimming nappy if required- all in a labelled bag.</p>		

**Key Dates:**

- School Opens 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- Helpers & Heroes Parent/Carers Afternoon – 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026
- School Closes 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- School Re-opens 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026
- Training Day – School closed for pupils – 9<sup>th</sup> March
- World Book Day 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – Optional Dress up for all pupils
- School Closes 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- School Re-opens 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

As always thank you for your support

Class Teacher

**Rani**