

Classroom News



Class Name: Oxford Term: Autumn Term 1 2025-2026

Topic: Me and my Community

What we have been doing this term:

Oxford Class have had a great first term together. We have been learning about ourselves and our local community.

History of Newbury

We have been learning about the history of Newbury. We began learning about the Tudor period and Henry VIII. Then we learnt about 'Jack of Newbury' and went to visit Newbury Museum to see his portrait. We also visited St Nicholas Church and the remains of Jack of Newbury's Tudor house near Parkway Shopping Centre.

We then moved on to learning about The English Civil War and the two sides, the Cavaliers and the Roundheads. We also learnt about Donnington Castle. We visited the castle to see if we could identify some features such as the towers, arrow slits and the bailey.

English

In English we continued the historical theme and explore non-fiction texts about the Tudor period. We also created our own non-fiction texts about an aspect of Tudor life. We also learnt about William Shakespeare and have begun to explore his play 'The Tempest'. We have explored the opening scene involving the storm and shipwreck that left Viola and Sebastian separated and stranded in Illyria.

Maths

Our focus for this term has been on 'Number'. We have explored the value of different digits in a number and created numbers using arrow cards. We have solved calculations involving doubles and addition and have applied our learning to solving word problems.

Science

We have learnt about genetics and DNA. We used sweets to create our own DNA strands. We have also learnt about the parts of the brain and what they control in our bodies.

Dates & Points to remember:

Half Term – Monday 27th October to Friday 1st November

Into Film Festival Cinema Visit- Thursday 13th November

Sonic the Hedgehog 3

Into Film Festival Cinema Visit- Friday 14th November

Karate Kid- Legends

Some photos of us!

