

Welcome to

Watergate

Our Staff

- Mrs Oke- Class Teacher
- Mrs Leonard- Class Teacher
- Mrs Maynard - Class Teaching Assistant (Mornings)
- Mrs Fraser- Class Teaching Assistant (Afternoons)
- Mrs Hocking – Higher Leader Teaching Assistant on Monday and Friday afternoon.

Mrs Oke

I have been teaching at Charlestown Primary School since October last year.

I recently got married and have changed my name from Miss Simpson to Mrs Oke.

When I am not in school I enjoy archery and live action role-play.



English

Our English lessons this year will comprise of:

- Talk for Writing
- Literacy and Language

Talk for Writing

- Talk for Writing is a story telling approach to Literacy.
- It is powerful because it enables children to imitate the language they need for a particular topic or genre of text orally before reading and analysing it and then writing their own version.
- Its creative and immersive and the CHILDREN LOVE IT!

Literacy and Language

- Gives every child a deep understanding of what they read using the special 'three reads' approach.
- Fully prepares every child for writing using a planning, drafting and revising method.
- Teaches grammar in context so that children can apply it seamlessly in their own writing.
- Supports the grammar and punctuation aspects of the Key Stage 2 tests.
- Includes practice tests to build confidence prior to statutory assessment.

Whole
class!

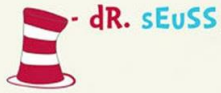
Spellings

Spellings are sent home at the beginning of each half term in children's homework books.

Although we do practise daily in class please also practise these spellings at home with your children.

Children will be tested on these spellings on Fridays.

You can Find
magic
wherever you look.
Sit Back & Relax,
all You Need
is A Book.



Reading

- Children should be reading at home as often as possible and this should be recorded by and adult/older sibling in their reading record.
- Children read everyday in our literacy lessons however this is not recorded in their literacy books
- Reading at home should be fun!
- Children will be more successful readers if they are reading ability-appropriate stories and texts.
- Please talk about, question and discuss the stories you read with your child.

"THERE'S NO SUCH THING
AS A KID WHO HATES
READING. THERE ARE KIDS
WHO LOVE READING, AND
KIDS WHO ARE READING
THE WRONG BOOKS."
JAMES PATTERSON

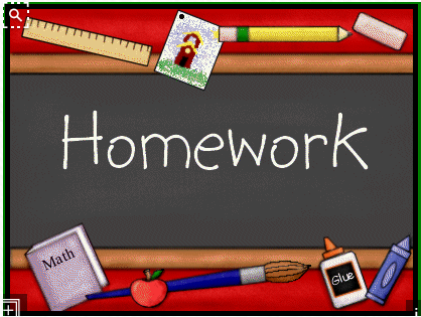
Assessment

• Children will be assessed in the following areas:

- Mathematics
- Reading
- Spelling
- Grammar, punctuation and vocabulary
- Writing
- Science

They will be assessed
as:

- Emerging
- Developing
- Secure
- Greater Depth



Homework

Homework booklets will come out either termly or half termly.

Children will have a variety of activities to complete, some of these may need your help until we've taught it in school 😊



Rewards and Sanctions

- Class Dojos – Please ensure you are linked to Watergate class so that you can see what’s been going on 😊
 - Golden time



Our Expectations...

- Please **read** with your children **EVERYDAY** and practise their spellings with them. Spellings in year 4 are really tricky and your children will need your support with them.
- **P.E. kits** in school every day

Please make sure your children have **water bottles and coats**, especially as we go into the autumn and winter months.

Children should bring a fruit snack each day to help give them the energy they need to continue to learn throughout the day. Please do not send any products containing nuts into school due to allergies (this includes most chocolate spreads).

Contacting the Teacher

If you need to speak to me, please either:

- Make an appointment via the School Office

or

- Write me a note and I will get back to you as soon as possible.