

English: In English, Mulberry Class is divided into two main groups: Buds and Blossoms, to allow our learning to best suit all learners. Further adaptation then allows for individual needs to be met. Children are taught phonics using the <i>Read, Write Inc</i> scheme, in ability groups. This includes speed sounds sessions; storybook activities using the sounds they are learning; writing sessions to build confidence in spelling; and handwriting for formation, neatness and fluency. Our topic, Amazing Authors is an inspiring delve into books written by some of the most outstanding authors of children's books. The Buds will launch the term by exploring some of the stories written by William Shakespeare. The Blossoms are diving into animal stories written by Jill Tomlinson. SPaG (spelling/punctuation/ grammar) is taught within our English sessions every week. In addition to this, the children have the opportunity to read daily in a 1:1 setting and choose books with adult guidance.	Science: In Autumn 1 we are exploring different kinds of forces such as push, pull and twist through practical activities. In Autumn 2 we are learning about electricity and we will make a circuit. There are useful resources on the BBC website. http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks2bitesize/science/	Maths: In maths, Mulberry Class is organised into two main groups: Buds and Blossoms. We learn new skills and consolidate our knowledge daily in these groups. This term, we will focus on a secure knowledge of the number system including calculations, solving problems and handling data. We will also extend our understanding of measurement and shape.
History & Geography: In Geography in Autumn 1 we are learning about different countries in the world, starting with the UK, then Europe and then further afield in the world. We are learning about the continents and the oceans. In Autumn 2 we explore our History and learn about the Stone and Iron age and what it must have felt like to live in those times. We learn about the developments in this era.	Mulberry Class Autumn Topic Web Mulberry Class (MLD Centre) Managers and Teachers: Gill Venables@oakfield.surrey.sch.uk Dagmar Goby@oakfield.surrey.sch.uk The Oakfield 5Cs: Curiosity Confidence Caring Co-operation Courage School clothing rules: small plain stud earrings may be worn. Long hair tied back with a plain blue or black small band and correct socks should be worn. No nail polish. School black shoes and not trainers to be worn. Uniform must be clearly named and worn correctly.	Music: The children have a weekly music session to explore music from different times and places, and to practise the skills of listening, composing, playing instruments and singing. We link our music-making to our English topic from time to time, singing relevant songs, for example. We play various tuned (e.g. glockenspiels and boomhackers) and untuned (e.g. claves and Indian bells) musical instruments and learn about orchestral instruments and musical rhythms, playing along to the beat of a variety of music. We listen to each other and take turns.
RE and PSHE: RE: Throughout Autumn we are exploring the different religions in the world and learning about the big festivals in religions, for example Diwali and Christmas. PSHE: Throughout Autumn we are exploring what we are good at and what makes us unique. We are looking at ways to improve what we enjoy and are good at.		PE: Pupils should come dressed in their PE kits on Tuesday for Mulberry PE and also for OT sessions on a Friday. Some children also access mainstream PE lessons: YEAR 3 TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY YEAR 4 MONDAY & THURSDAY YEAR 5 WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY YEAR 6 MONDAY & THURSDAY Plain navy tracksuits or PE jumpers can be worn during colder months. Watches and earrings must be removed by the children for PE and OT lessons. Art & DT: In Art the children will be working with a range of media including pencil sketching, painting, clay modelling, pastels and 3D model making. In DT the children are introduced to paper structures. In Autumn 2 we are focussing on moving pictures and cards. Daily Kit/Planner: Homework Planners are to be in school each day and will be checked daily for your messages from home. Please sign the planner at the end of each week.

