

Sound and District Primary School

MEET THE TEACHER

OPAL class

2024-25

Opal Class Teachers



MRS AVERILL

CLASS TEACHER



MS MCADIE

TEACHING ASSISTANT

MRS ALLEN

WEDNESDAY PM AND
THURSDAY AM




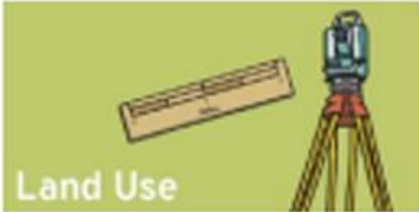


Timetable



Opal Class Timetable 2024-2025

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.30am – 9.00am	Register & Early work (Green Work, Handwriting, Times Tables/ Maths activity or Spellings)				
	Handwriting				
9.00am – 9.30am	SPAG Spellings	SPAG Grammar	SPAG Grammar	SPAG Punctuation	Spelling Test/New Spellings
9.30am – 10.30am	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths Four rules of number & times tables	Maths
10.30am – 10.50am	Break				
10.50am – 11.45am	English T4W	English T4W	English T4W	English Whole Class Reading	English T4W / Poetry
11.45am – 12.00pm	Class Book				
12.00pm – 1.00pm	Lunch				
1.00pm – 2.00pm	Independent Reading	Independent Reading	Independent Reading	Art/D&T	Independent Reading
	PE	Music	Science		Geography/History
2.00pm – 3.00pm	Computing	RE	PSHE	PE	Celebration Assembly

Geography/History Topics

Autumn One	Autumn Two	Spring One	Spring Two	Summer One	Summer Two
Ancient Egypt	Rainforests	World War II	Land Use	Crime and Punishment	Extreme Earth
					



Trips / Residential



PE

Children are to continue coming to school wearing their PE kits.

P.E. Kit:

- ☐ Black shorts
- ☐ White or light blue t-shirt
- ☐ Sound Sports Hoodie
- ☐ Dark Tracksuit
- ☐ Trainers

Opal PE sessions are on Monday and a Thursdays.

Please remove all jewellery before coming to school on these days.



Home-School Communication

It is really important that as a school we keep strong communications between home and school. You can use the methods below to share information with staff at Sound.

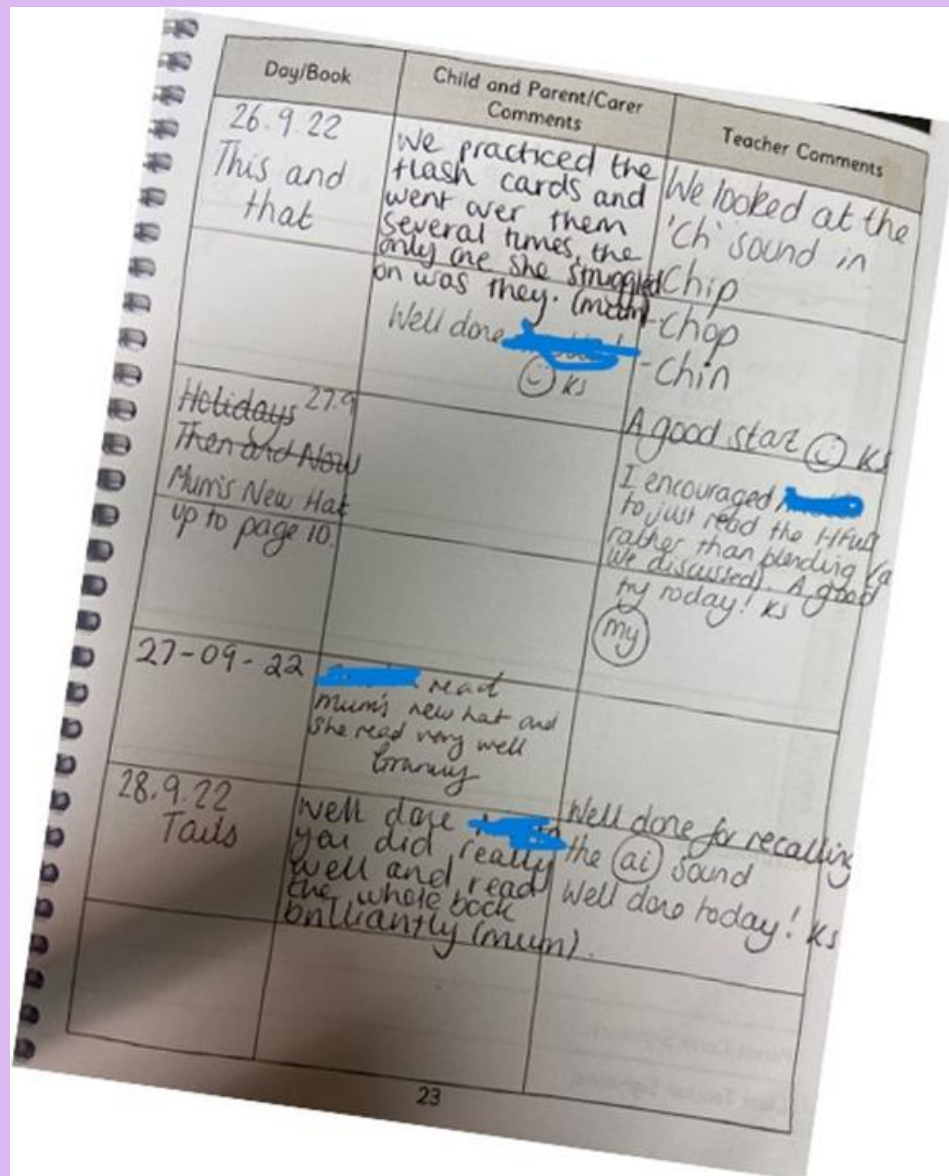
- Use the children's diaries/planners
- Speak directly to a member of staff
- Contact the office on 01270780270 or admin@sound.cheshire.sch.uk to arrange a meeting.
- All communications should first and foremost go through to the class teacher, unless it is something which is needed to be directed to the deputy or headteacher.
- We will be keeping you regularly updated through the website, facebook and newsletter about what your child is doing in class.
- Reminders, or other general information will go through our teachers2parentsapp.
- <https://soundprimary.co.uk>

Sound School Communication

Teacher2Parents (Eduspot)	Class Dojo	School Website	School Facebook	Face to Face
Admin/Staff emails	Children's Dojos for Positive Behaviour	Whole School key documents	Weekly highlights of school events & achievements for our wider community	Staff/Headteacher on the playground at the beginning and end of day – quick memos.
Electronic letters	Share pupils work and achievements	School Policies/Procedures		In person Parent Meetings
Confidential Documents	Sharing pictures of the curriculum in action!	Galleries of achievements/ events over the whole year		Open Days
School Dinners	Class/whole school announcement/ reminders of events etc..	Attendance Information		
Parent Bookings		School Curriculum overviews		
Confidential emails				
All attendance queries				

Reading Diaries

It is essential that we maintain the use of diaries at home and school to track the reading your child does. Please make a note in their diary whenever you listen to them read.



Class Dojo

We are excited to be using Class Dojo after a successful trial in EYFS, KS1 and KS2 last year. This is a school/home communication app that can be used to share work, information, and achievements! You will be able to see what we get up to in school and any team points your child has earned.



Let's get connected!

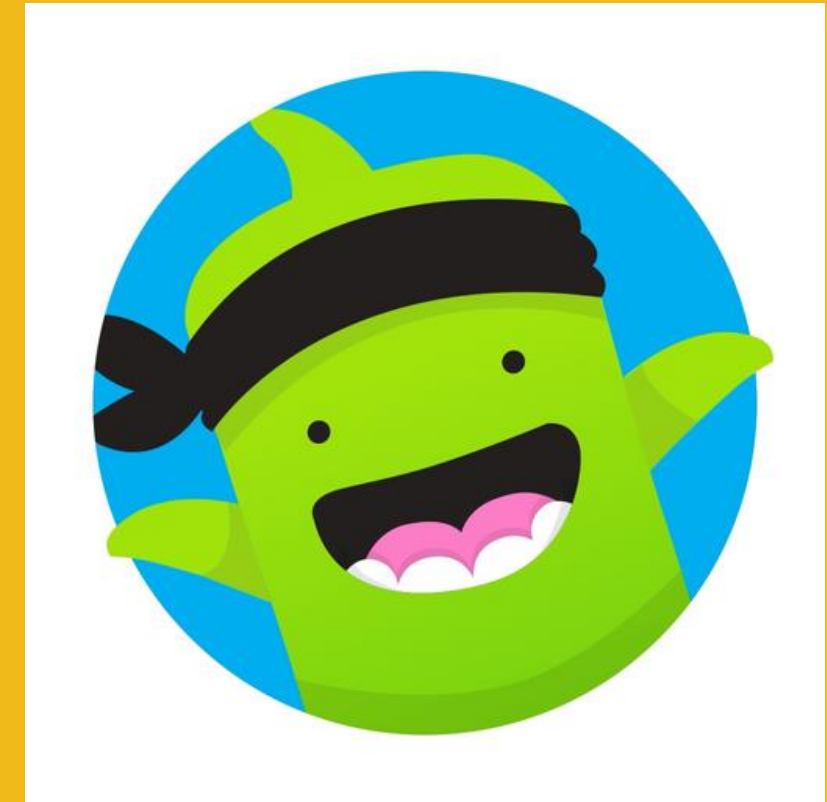
3 easy steps

- 1 Download the app**
ClassDojo is FREE!
iOS, Android, and web
- 2 Sign up as a parent**
If you have a teacher account, use a separate email address
- 3 Use our class link!**
Type in your child's name and I'll approve your connection

Three smartphone screens showing the Class Dojo app interface. The first screen shows the app's landing page with a 'Download' button and a 'Top Free Education' badge. The second screen shows the sign-up process with options for 'I'm a parent', 'I'm a teacher', 'I'm a student', and 'I'm a school leader'. The third screen shows the 'Have a parent code?' section with a 'Check code' button and a 'Don't have a parent code?' section with a 'Find teacher' button.

We DO use this for:

- Sharing your children's learning and achievements with class dojos!
- Whole class/school announcements of events or reminders
- Non urgent message/reminder to the class teacher which does not necessarily need a response



We DO NO use it for :

- Concerns/complaints through private messaging – these STILL go through the schools central email.
- Urgent, quick response messages – these still go through the school office
- Any attendance queries or absences – these still go through the school office

PLEASE REFER TO THE CLASS DOJO CODE OF CONDUCT SO THIS GREAT APP CAN CONTINUE TO BE A GREAT SUCCESS!



Homework



Spelling tests will be each Friday. New spellings will be given in school and stuck into diaries.

Children should read every night and complete AR quizzes in school regularly.

TTRS should be done each night.

Any other homework will be posted to Class Dojo.

If you are ever unsure about any homework then please, LET ME KNOW!



Times Tables

Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) is an exciting times tables app that we will be using in school and at home. Children will be expected to use this app throughout the week. Each game takes 3-5 mins so it's perfect to fit into their routine e.g. in the car, before dinner, waiting for the bath to run etc.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZxZbRVvbYM>

Year 4 National Times Tables Test

SUMMER TERM



What is the Multiplication Tables Check?



The Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is a key stage 2 assessment to be taken by pupils at the end of year 4 (in June). The purpose of the MTC is to make sure the times tables knowledge is at the expected level. The multiplication tables check (MTC) is statutory for primary schools.

The MTC is an online test where the pupils are asked 25 questions on times tables 2 to 12. For every question you have 6 seconds to answer and in between the questions there is a 3-second rest. Questions about the 6, 7, 8, 9, and 12 times table come up more often.

How can I help?

We would recommend a number of strategies to support your child in the run-up to and aftermath of the times tables test including:

- Times tables chanting: “6, 12, 18, 24...”
- Times tables chanting in reverse order: “108, 99, 90, 81...”
- Using times tables songs, like Schoolhouse Rock’s ‘3 is A Magic Number’
 - Using apps, like the one by yks2timestables.co.uk, Times Tables Rock Stars or Hit the Button
 - Using free online games, like those on Maths Frame
 - Asking your child multiplication calculations out of order, like: “What is 4×7 ? What is 9×5 ? What is 6×11 ?”

The following activity closely resembles the Multiplication Check that your child will take at the end of Year 4. Practicing this will greatly help your child become comfortable with the test format and improve their confidence.

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>





Accelerated Reader

- Super success over last five years.
- Engaged the children (almost everyone!)
- Each time they finish a book they quiz to test comprehension –target 85%
- Reward based.
- If every child in the class fully participates they will be at least at the expected level for their age group at the end of the year.
- Aim to complete one book a week if Orange/Green/Blue Band,
- Pink / Brown + one book a fortnight





Children who read outside class daily are five times as likely to read above the expected level for their age compared with children who never read outside school.

20 minutes a
day

1,800,000
words per year

5 minutes a
day

282,000
words per year

1 minute a
day

8,000
words per year

National Literacy
Trust's Children
and Young People's
Reading, 2016

School Dinner

Once your child moves up to Key Stage 2 their entitlement to a universal free school meal (UFSM) ends and unless your child is entitled to free school meals (FSM) you will have to pay for school dinners.

Week 1

MONDAY

Cheese Flan with
Salad Potatoes (v)

Choice of Filled
Baguettes

Dorset Apple Cake or
Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

Beef Burger in a Bun
with Sauté Potatoes
& Coleslaw

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Filling/s (v)

Fruity Jelly or Yogurt

WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken &
Stuffing, Potatoes,
Vegetables & Gravy

Cheesy Pasta (v)

Chocolate Orange
Kracholette or Fresh
Fruit

THURSDAY

Beef Pasta Bolognese
with Garlic Bread

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Filling/s (v)

Summer Fruit
Sponge or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Fish Fingers with
Chips, Baked Beans
or Peas

Cheese & Tomato
Pizza with Chips &
Beans or Peas (v)

Shortbread Finger
with Fruit Chunk or
Fresh Fruit

Week 2

MONDAY

Vegetarian Sausage
Roll with Potato
Wedges (v)

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Filling/s (v)

Chocolate Crunch
Finger with Fruit
Chunk or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY

BBQ Pulled Pork in a
Tortilla Boat with
Savoury Rice

Pasta Parma Rosa (v)

Melting Moment,
Yogurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY

All Day Breakfast

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Filling/s (v)

Apple & Sultana
Flapjack or Fresh
Fruit

THURSDAY

Southern Style
Chicken with
Savoury Rice

Ploughman's Toastie
with Veg Sticks (v)

Pear & Chocolate
Sponge or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY

Battered Fish &
Chips with Baked
Beans or Sweetcorn

BBQ Quorn Wrap
with Chips (v)

Ice Cream & Fruit
Coulis or Fresh Fruit

ATo order school dinners in Year 3 you go to the following :

<https://eduspot.co.uk/product/teachers2parents/>

Sign in with your unique username and password

Go to the school dinners icon and you can book your daily meals (£2.30 a day.)



Online Safety (Safeguarding)

Safeguarding Lead (DSL) : Mrs Minshall-Thomas
Deputy Safeguarding Lead : Mrs Wagg,
Online Safety : Mr Delaney

Online Safety at Sound

- Built into the Curriculum Plans & special awareness days and weeks
- Continual Staff training
- School Safeguarding Team – pupil safeguarding leads work with the DSL, Safeguarding Governor, PC Jarvis & other external organisations
- Parental workshops and guides shared on our school platforms.



Online Safety - Sound and District Primary School
(soundprimary.co.uk)

PTA

At Sound and District we have a very supportive PTFA who help to raise funds for the school, organise exciting events and experiences for the children and help to further develop a strong parent school relationship.



If you would like to join 'The Friends of Sound' and work closely with the school, please contact the school office for further information.



**Any
Questions?**

Thank you!

