



Owl Class - Term 1 Learning Overview



On behalf of myself and Mrs Moorey-Brown we would like to welcome back all Owl class children and parents. We hope you all had a lovely summer break and the children are ready for an exciting year ahead!

Important information—This term Owl class will have PE on a Monday. Children will need their swimming kit with them in bag, including: swimming costume/shorts, a swimming hat and a towel.

Reminder- All children need to come into school daily, wearing full school uniform:-

-Sundridge & Brasted jumper/cardigan

- Skirt/trousers with a white shirt

-Tie

School shoes

If you have any difficulties sourcing uniform please do let me know.

English

This term our writing unit will be based around the book 'Leon and the place between' by Angela McAllister. This tells a story of Leon, a boy who volunteers to be a magicians assistant. When he enters the box, he gets transported to a magical realm known as a the place between. During this writing unit, we will be starting by creating our own persuasive posters, focusing on a range of sentence types. We will move onto writing a setting description, a section of dialogue which will enable us to practice how to punctuate speech correctly before moving onto creating our own narrative.

Please ensure reading records are in school each day with the children so reading can be checked.

Maths- We will be starting this year exploring place value which will include understanding what makes up three and four digit numbers. We will partition numbers into thousands, hundred, tens and ones which will give the children the opportunity to look at numbers in words and expanded form. We will be plotting numbers on number lines, working out the value of each interval. Year 3 will develop confidence in number lines to 1000 and year 4 will extend this to 10,000.

During the second half of the term we will start addition and subtraction. The unit starts off with adding 1,10,100 and 1,000 and progresses onto adding and subtracting two 4 digit numbers.

Each night children will be set 5 minutes of times tables on TTRS, which will help support them with their maths operations.

Home Learning- All children are required to do:-

1. 15 minutes of reading each night and must come in with their reading records signed.
<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/6713358> (Link for quizzes)
2. TTRS- <https://trockstars.com>– 5 minutes per night of times tables.
3. Weekly spellings which will be provided
4. Termly homework grid which will be optional for children to complete.

Maths- Daily 10- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/daily10> ICTgames.com

Lexia—<https://www.lexiacore5.com/>

Foundation subjects :-

Our first R.E unit will be answering the question 'What do Christians learn from the creation story?'. We will explore the creation story from Genesis 1:1-25 and will make links between this and what Christians believe about God and creation. In science we will be learning about animals including humans, looking primarily at digestion and teeth. During this unit we will have the opportunity to take part in a variety of investigations which will allow the children to show curiosity to explore their ideas. This term in PE, the children will continue with swimming, providing them a good opportunity to refine their skills and develop their confidence in the water. The first question we will be answering in Geography is 'Why do people live near volcanoes?'. During this unit we will explore the features of volcanoes, how volcanoes and mountains are formed and then consider the positive and negatives of living near a volcano. For our art unit we will be looking at pattern. We will begin by making marks forming a variety of patterns, before moving onto a tessellation piece which looks at both cool and warm colours. In PSHE we are answering the question 'What strengths, skills and interests do we have?' We will explore ways to recognise our own and others strengths as well as considering how this can impact someone's self esteem.