

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Owls will be hosting the harvest Act of Worship on Thursday 18th October at 9.15 in the hall. Please come along to support us if you can.

WATER BOTTLES

Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle into class so that they can stay hydrated throughout the school day. Please make sure they contain water only.

JUMPERS

Please ensure that your child's jumper and PE kit has their name in it.

HOMEWORK CHALLENGES

Starting week beginning 18th September

Homework will be given on a Tuesday to be returned by the Monday. Homework is to regularly read at home as well as practising spellings and times tables. When you read at home please make sure you make a note of it in the home/school link book. All homework tasks for the term will be on the homework challenges sheet and explained clearly to the children. Please support your child in completing tasks given. Thank you.

Accelerated Reader

The children may start to be bringing back an AR book. The children need to read this book 3 times then come back to school and complete a small quiz. These books are designed to assess the children's understanding of the text and not of their ability to decode the words, so don't be alarmed if you think the words are too easy for them!



Owl CLASS

Autumn Term 2018



WELCOME to Owl Class with Mrs Tucker and Mrs Harding!
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A big welcome to the Owl Class! Firstly can I say how excited we are for the year ahead! We have a busy year planned with exciting topics, great books to read, and fun to be had with numbers! Our first topic is volcanoes, with a hint of dinosaurs! The children are already very enthusiastic!

If you do have any concerns, please feel free come in and see us after school.

Thank you!

Mrs Harding and Miss Mitchell

Open Mornings

Open mornings will take place on the last Friday of every month from 8:50-9:10. This is a chance for you to come and look at your child's work and ask any questions.

P.E Days

This term P.E will take place on Tuesday's and Friday's.

Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school!

TOPIC

We have already begun our topic, 'volcanoes' This topic will last the length of the first half term before we begin 'The Romans.' The two topics will encompass a broad range of activities, skills and learning opportunities.

In Science, we will:

- Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on their physical properties. Describe how fossils are formed. Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.
- recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light. Notice that light is reflected from surfaces.
- recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous.
- recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object. Find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change.

In History, we'll be finding out about:

- the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain
- Julius Caesar's attempted invasion in 55-54 BC.
- The Roman Empire by AD 42 and the power of its army.
- 'Romanisation' of Britain: sites such as Caerwent and the impact of technology, culture and beliefs, including early Christianity

In Geography, we will:

- locate the world's countries, using maps.
- understand how human and physical processes interact to influence the planet; and how human activity relies on effective functioning of natural systems

In Art, we'll be:

- Using different mediums to create artwork.
- Explore textiles in which the children need to plan, create and evaluate their work.

ENGLISH

Our English sessions will explore a range of different texts and media. We will start the term learning the story of Jack and the Beanstalk, in which the children will be working towards writing a 'quest' story themselves. Spelling rules and grammar are taught daily, and children are encouraged to practise spellings at home.

MATHS

This term we will begin by exploring number and place value before moving on to addition and subtraction. All children will be working at their own level within maths. We have started this year learning the 4 and 8 times tables.

RE

This half term we will be focusing on Creation. We will start by looking the Act of Baptism in Owl Class. The Owls will be leading the Harvest Act of Worship on Thursday October 18th

PE

The children have begun this term learning tennis before moving on to gymnastics.

COMPUTING

We will explore communication and networks, e-safety, algorithms and programming and development.

PSHE

We will begin this year learning about new beginnings, behaviour for learning and aspirations. We will spend some time reviewing the behaviour for learning and expectations for year 3. We will also start to learn and discover the 'Secrets of Success'.