<u>Welcome Back Owl Class ©</u>

Welcome back Owl Class,

I am sure this Spring term is going to whiz by but here is a look at what we will be doing over the next few weeks. This half term will be busy as we will have a lot of extra events happening including World Book Day and Science Week. Mrs Barrow

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and see \underline{me} or send me a message on Class Dojo $\underline{\odot}$

<u>Literacy</u>

In this term's literacy, we will be looking at a rewrite of the classic story 'The Secret Garden' which was written towards the end of the Victorian period. We will be using this text to inspire some of our writing pieces.

Every half term, we will be exploring a range of fiction and non-fiction text types such as diary entries, setting descriptions, newspaper articles, instructions etc.

To enhance your child's writing, <u>individual reading</u>, <u>handwriting and</u> <u>SPAG</u> sessions will continue to take place each week. Please continue to support Owl Class by completing spelling homework and reading at home.

Art and Design Technology

This half term we are embarking on a whole school Art Project encompassing the four elements. Owl Class have been asked to use 'Air' as their inspiration and we will be completing pieces of work and developing skills linked to this theme.

History and Geography

After learning more about the Victorian age and what life was like for people in the previous half term, we will now be focussing on the impact of the Victorian period on the Derwent Valley. We will be looking at how the landscape was changed and some of the individuals who contributed to the industrial revolution in Derbyshire.

<u>Science</u>

This half term, Owl class will be investigating 'animals including humans' We will be continuing to look at human's muscles and bones and start looking at teeth and the digestive system.

<u>Computing</u>

Your child will have focussed Computing lessons each term. This half term's focus will be on 'creating media'. The children will still have access to the site purple mash where they can practise their programming skills. Passwords can be found in reading diaries.

Across all areas of the curriculum, we will be using the internet for research in order to develop digital literacy skills.



<u>Homework</u>

<u>Spelling tests will take place on Thursday mornings and</u> <u>spellings will be handed out on the Thursday for the following</u> <u>week. The lists can be found in reading diaries.</u>

<u>Reading</u>

Please hear your child read and record this in your child's diary. This can be a school reading book, an online reading book or a reading material of your choice at home.

<u>Maths</u>

Online maths work is accessible at <u>www.mathletics.co.uk</u>, <u>https://ttrockstars.com/</u> and on

https://play.numbots.com/#/intro.

It is also very important to practise times tables regularly at home.

<u>SPAG</u>

Children will be given weekly spellings every Thursday for a spelling test the following week.

<u>Maths</u>

-Multiplication and Division -Measurement - length Measurement - time Measurement – time Measurement – time

<u>Music</u>

In music the Owls will be looking at Samba music and syncopated rhythms. They will start by looking at what these are before having a go at using these rhythms independently and as part of a group.

PE

PE will take place every Monday afternoon. Children will need to arrive dressed in their PE kit for the day. Polite reminder: Please ensure children have appropriate clothing for outdoor PE e.g. trainers, hoody, coat and hat. They must also bring a water bottle.

<u>RE</u>

Our key question this half term is

Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?

<u>PSHE</u>

Our scheme of work this half term cover 'difference and diversity' and we will be looking at how we can define our own identities and also how we can benefit from and appreciate diversity.