

Owl Newsletter

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Welcome back to our Year 3s and 4s!

Meet the staff!



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Welcome back to school! We hope you have all had a fun, relaxing summer. We are very excited for you all to get back into the classroom, feeling refreshed, ready for all our learning this year.

This year, there are once again lots of exciting units of work to look forward to. Our first whole school theme is titled 'Remember when...' and the Owl Class will have the opportunity to learn about the Anglo Saxons and Scots.

Class Information

As part of our curriculum, we will continue to find opportunities to take our learning outdoors. Children will also be spending their break and lunch time outdoors whenever possible. Therefore, please can we ask that you ensure your child brings a waterproof coat and sensible shoes to school.

Please also ensure your child has a named water bottle in school every day and try to make sure that the water bottle contains just water.

The Owl's PE day is on a Thursday afternoon. Please send your child to school every Thursday wearing their PE Kit. If your child is attending any after school sports clubs, you may also send your child into school wearing their PE kit on these days too. For PE, we will be spending the majority of lessons outside so your children will need weather appropriate clothing including warm clothing and coats etc for cold weather and sun hats and sun cream for warm weather. Thank you!

The Owls will also be having swimming lessons this year which will take place on Thursday mornings starting on Thursday 22nd September. Please remember to send your child in with their swimming kit (they should also be wearing their P.E kit as well on a Thursday!).

Reading

The children will be able to choose 2 reading books in KS2. One of these will be one of our banded books and the other will be one they have selected from our class library. Please ensure that your child has their reading books and record in school **every day**. Children read at different times throughout the week, individually and as part of a group. They will regularly get the opportunity to change their books.

In your child's reading record, you can make notes of the reading you have done with your child at home, alternatively, if you prefer, you can just jot down the pages you have heard your child read. Your child will be heard read by a teacher at least once every 2 weeks in addition to whole class reading and weekly comprehension lessons.

You will also find other important information in your child's reading record, such as their spelling words for the week, KS2 spelling words, VIPERS question ideas and your child's individual password for Purple Mash, Mathletics and TT Rockstars.

Reading Challenge

For our reading challenge this term, which will start from Friday 9^{th} September, the Owl class will be aiming to reach a combined target of 500 reads. This equates to each child reading approximately 3x a week and our class record will be updated regularly. A class reward of 30 minutes on the park will take place if the target is met.

Stationery

In years 3 and 4 children are not required to bring stationery/pencil cases from home as pencil cases are provided in school. Once children move into years 5 and 6 they are invited to bring in their own stationary as a treat if they choose.

If you have any concerns about your child, no matter how small, please feel free to get in touch with school whether face to face or alternatively email Mrs Barrow at owlparents@streetlaneprimary.org.