

Welcome Back Owl Class ☺

I hope you all had a lovely and relaxing summer holiday! I look forward to seeing you all, ready to start the new school year. As always, there is plenty to look forward to and I am sure you will all be excited to start our new unit of work looking at the Anglo Saxons and Scots.

Mrs. Barrow ☺

Literacy

In this term's literacy, we will be reading the book Beowulf, by Michael Morpurgo, an ancient story about the triumphs of good over evil. We will be using this text and our scheme of learning to inspire our writing this term.

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, individual reading, handwriting and SPAG 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 will be carrying out an Art project looking at the formal elements of Art and developing a range of skills such as working with shapes, a range of materials and adding light and shade to our drawing.

History and Geography

This half term will be focussed on the Anglo Saxons and Scots. We will be focussing on chronology and gaining an understanding of their place in the history of Britain. The scheme of work will look at important people from that time period, settlements, battles and the lasting impact on Britain today. Although Geography is not being covered separately this half term aspects of our History work will look at maps and the settlements created.

Science

This half term, Owl class will work with Miss Match every Wednesday morning for their weekly science lessons.

They will start by looking at electricity where they will have the opportunity to create circuits, learn key vocabulary and take part in experiments to discover the various roles of components within a circuit.

Computing

Your child will have focussed Computing lessons each term. This term, Miss Match will work with Owl class for their computing lessons. This half term's focus will be on digital devices and networks. 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.

During topic lessons, we will be using the internet for research in order to develop digital literacy skills.



Homework

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

Reading

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. Weekly comprehension will also be set to support the work we are doing in class.

Maths

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

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

SPAG

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

Maths

Week 1 – Number and Place Value

Week 2 – Addition and Subtraction

Week 3 – Addition and Subtraction.

Week 4 – Multiplication and Division

Week 5 – Multiplication and Division

Week 6 – Fractions

Week 7 – Fractions

Music

In music the Owls will be looking at how music can support the telling of a story. They will start by looking at a piece of music and thinking about the story it creates before moving on to compose their own melody to accompany a story.

PE

PE will take place every Thursday 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.

Swimming

Swimming will take place on Thursday mornings starting from Thursday, 22nd September. Children are required to bring a swimming kit. Please see swimming letter for further information.

RE

Our key question this half term is

- Why is the Bible so important for Christians today?

PSHE

Our scheme of work this half term cover 'Being me' and will explore what makes us who we are, look at diversity and give the children the opportunity to think about themselves and their individual roles in society.