Owls Newsletter

Spring Term 2025

We hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year, we would like to thank you all for your kind cards and gifts. We hope you feel recharged and refreshed ready for the new term.

We begin 2025 with a new topic - 'Turrets and Tiaras'. We will be learning about castles, traditional tales and the history of the Monarchy amongst other things. In maths we will be continuing with addition and subtraction, moving on to multiplication and division and we will also begin to explore money and time this term. Our literacy lessons begin with a lovely story called 'Prince Cinders', a traditional tale with a twist!





School Uniform

<u>Please check all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.</u> We always check any clothes in our cloakroom daily and return them. The children will be making use of the outside areas and require a warm, waterproof coat, gloves and a hat when outside.

Drinks

Please ensure your child brings a labelled bottle of water to school every day. Your child will have access to their drink throughout the school day.

Dates for your Diary

- Open classroom Event 5th February 2025 at 2:45pm If you would like the opportunity to pop in to your child's classroom to have a look at your child's books, the classroom doors will be open from 2:45pm until 3:30pm.
- 'Shine Bright, Wear Bright' Mufti Day 7th February 2025
- Safer Internet Day 11th February Children will be taking part in a range of activities and an exciting workshop related to internet safety on this day, more details to follow.
- Parents Evening Appointment (main school only) 25th February 2025 3:40-6pm and 27th February 5-7pm
- World Book Day -3rd March 2025
- Science Day 7th March 2025

Forest School

This term Owls class will be taking part in Forest School, which will be held every Thursday afternoon (half the class before half term and the other half after). Please can you ensure your child has their Forest School clothes with them for their allocated sessions.

PE

Our PE lesson is on a <u>Monday afternoon</u>, and therefore your child will be required to have their PE kit in school on those days. We will take some of our PE lessons outside this term, so please ensure your child has jogging bottoms, a separate jumper and trainers as well as their t-shirt and shorts. Long hair needs to be tied back on PE days and anyone with earrings should either take them out on these days or bring in some micropore tape to cover their ears.

Please ensure all items of clothing are **clearly labelled** with your child's name to ensure that we can easily return lost items.

Learning at Home

Thank you for your continued support with helping your child practise their learning at home!

Home Spellings

Home spellings are to be completed three times per week. A list of spellings will be found at the beginning of each main page and should be practiced three times during the week. Please help your child follow our Look, Cover, Write, Check strategy spelling book for information on this strategy).

Spelling Books will be sent home every **Monday** and should be returned on the Friday.

Maths Homework

The children will now be bringing home weekly Maths homework. This will be based on what we have been learning in school and is a good way for your child to consolidate their learning.

Homework will be given out on a Wednesday and will need to be returned to school the following Monday.

Each child has been provided with a 100 square to use at home if needed. If your child needs anything else to help support with their home learning, please talk to Mrs Wadeson or Mrs Blake.

Reading

Reading books will be checked daily and changed at least twice a week. Please ensure your child has their book in school every day. A reminder that the children earn a tick/stamp towards a reading reward every time they read three or more times per week.

I would encourage you to help the progression of your child's reading by asking them questions about the book regularly; examples of questions can be found in your child's reading record.

Values

This term the themes are

January - Appreciation February - Positivity April - Hope

March - Liberty

Special Times - Show and Tell

We do not have a specific 'show-andtell' time in Owls. Any items to be shared with the class need to be related to our topic. We will look at them sometime during our week.

Curriculum

Our curriculum map taking us up to Easter can be found on the Curriculum page of our website.

We look forward to seeing you at Parent Consultations after the February half-term to discuss your child's progress and how you can further support your child at home. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to come and see us.

Thank you for your support Mrs Wadeson and Mrs Blake