

Year 3/4 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 1



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a great Summer break. We are looking forward to welcoming the children back to a term full of interesting lessons. Please look over our class curriculum for the coming weeks.

English:

Throughout this term we will practice our spelling, punctuation and grammar skills to feed into improving writing. In English, pupils will be writing their own science fiction stories based on a short text 'Alien Landing' written by Pie Corbett. We will focus on writing great setting and character descriptions, magpie-ing ideas from our model text.

Maths:

In Maths, number and place value will be revisited, ensuring confidence to recognise each digit in 3-digit and 4-digit numbers as well as representing numbers to 1,000. We will then move on to comparing and ordering numbers up to 1,000. We will also continue to work on our times tables, revising our 2s, 5s, and 10s, moving on to 3s, 4s and 8s and beyond, depending on year group.

Science:

In Science our topic is Light. Pupils will be able to explain that light is needed in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light. They will recognise that shadows are formed when light from a light source is blocked by a solid object, and find patterns in the way that the sizes of shadows change. They will present their knowledge in a non-chronological report.

Theme:

Our Theme for this term is '**Around the Globe**'. We will develop our skills locating places on maps and globes, as well as some digital mapping. We will look at compass points, map references and understanding symbols and keys. We will also have a focus on longitude, latitude, the equator, tropics, hemispheres and different time zones.

Woodland:

Our woodland day is Tuesday. Linking with our main Theme works, we will use map skills for orienteering activities in teams and hopefully do some cooking with foraged ingredients!

PE & Games:

PE this term is on Wednesdays. Children should come into school in their PE kits (**blue bottoms/white top**).

Miss Griggs will lead PE, alongside Owls staff.

RE:

Our Big Question is – **What do Christians learn from the Creation Story?** We will understand how Christians see God as the Creator and place the events of God, Creation, Fall on a Bible Timeline. We will make links between Bible stories and how they show Christians how to behave, with a particular focus on Adam and Eve story.

Music:

We will be learning to play simple tunes on the recorder, as well as reading notes. Singing will also be included.

Computing:

This term we are focusing on online safety, passwords and password security, inappropriate use of technology and cyber-bullying.

We will continue working on touch typing skills.

French:

We will be recapping our knowledge and use it to ask/answer questions to peers and begin to write short sentences.

If you have any questions at all, please ask!

Kind regards,
Ms Lee

Our PE day is Wednesday. Please make sure all uniform is named.

**Homework will be given out on the first Friday of term.
Children choose from the grid to complete the learning,
at least one piece per week.**

**Please hear your child read as regularly as possible and ensure
that you record this in their reading record.
Please encourage your child learn spellings and times tables.**