



Owls' Class Newsletter

Term 4

Welcome back! With spring edging closer, it is hard to believe we are halfway through Owl Classes first year at School! We are excited to see what adventures this term brings!

I have noticed huge leaps of progress with Reading in Owl Class! Lots of children are now recognising many of the Reception HFW by sight, especially those tricky irregular common words. Thank you for practicing these words with your child, it really does make a huge difference to not only their reading, but also their writing.

Mrs Fulton has been teaching Zumba, mindfulness and gymnastics to Owl Class and we are extremely lucky that Mrs Fulton is teaching us some more this term for us to practice during the week.

Our Topic this term

This term our topic is 'All Around the World'. Commencing with China- Chinese New Year, Africa, Australia, France, Italy and the UK. Within these topics we will look at where they are in the world, the language they speak, artists, food, making our own volcano, the clothes they wear, the music they make etc. All areas of the EYFS will be incorporated through these topics.

Phonics- This term we are recapping sounds we have learnt so far in Phase 3 and concentrating/introducing j, w, v, x, y, z, zz, qu, sh, ch, th, ai ng and ee. Children will continue to begin segmenting and blending sounds in order to read words and short phrases. We are also looking at high Frequency words daily.

Maths- We will refresh ordering and comparing things by height. Continue working on recognising numbers, placing in order, counting out of sequence, using more and less. Recap on addition and recognising the sign. Introducing subtraction. Working on patterns with the new concept of symmetry.

English- Owl class are working very hard on their cursive writing. We are using the Meerkat Mail for longer focus this term on narrative text. Concentrating on making our own story map, recreating a story using one of the settings described, describing a character and writing their own story. We will utilise other books to support our topic learning e.g. Mr Men Chinese New Year, Handa's Surprise, Mirror by Jeanie Baker and many more.

Dates for the Diary!

Fairtrade fortnight starting – 26th
February

World book day (dress as your
favourite book character) -2nd March

PTA Book fair week – 5th – 9th March

Mother's Day – 11th March

Parents Evening – 15th March

Pizza Express Trip – TBA

End of Term- 29th March