



## Owl Class Newsletter

### Spring Term 2 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have settled in well with their new temporary teacher, Ms Provost, whilst we advertise for a full time teacher. They have been working hard and the Y6s have enjoyed working with Miss Hunter & Mrs Smithson to prepare for their SATs. A busy term ahead!

Our Learning:

In **English**, we have been reading *The Firework Maker's Daughter* by Phillip Pullman. The children are learning about narratives and will be writing their own narrative next week based on their learning. After this, they will be writing an Anglo-Saxon Battle Speech, exploring the features of persuasive writing.

**Maths** this half term is split with Y6s being taught by Miss Hunter & Y5s being taught by Ms Provost. Y6s are working on fractions, decimals and percentages. Y5 are working on area, perimeter, volume as well as securing addition and subtraction. On Fridays, all children will be together looking at geometry and shape.

Our **Science** will be focusing on living things and their habitats. Exploring how life cycles differ between mammals, amphibians, insects and birds.

**Geography** will be comparing physical and human features between three localities: The UK, Rio in Brazil & Sicily, Italy. The children will use atlases and information to help them decide the main similarities and differences between these countries.

Our **DT**, is exploring the digital world and how programs can be used to give instructions and write programs to help us navigate the world.

**RE** will be a study of Judaism, exploring what is holiness to Jewish people, a place, object, time or something else.

**PSHE** will concentrate on what impact our choices can have on growing our future world.

In **Computing**, we will be looking at data handling and linking this to the Mars Rover.



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**French** this half term will be learning how to express simple opinions and use this to make sentences.

### **Reading and Homework:**

Children need to read at home on a daily basis, remind them to record reading at home and make sure you have initialled/ signed your children's reading records.

Their **reading record books are checked every Friday**, when the children with 7 reads in a week will receive a certificate in assembly and a raffle ticket to give them the chance to win a book.

The children have access to Times Tables Rock Stars, so they can master their times tables. It is best to play little and often and certificates are issued to children who improve their 'Rock Status'.

### **PE kits:**

PE will be on Monday and Thursday this term - children should continue to come into school in their PE kits on their PE day.

Please remember to keep up to date with the school website to see what the children have been learning and find out about whole school updates.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries about the above information.

Regards Miss Hunter & Ms Provost