 Welcome to the Spring Term in Owl Class!

Welcome back and I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas. Thank you for the Christmas cards and gifts. I am very much looking forward to the upcoming term. Feel free to catch me afterschool any time if you have any questions.

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| Reading  We will be teaching your children reading skills in a variety of ways in school, including through individual reading, group reading and whole class reading sessions as well as comprehension activities and reading for different purposes. These are vital skills for children to develop and we really appreciate you continuing to hear your children read regularly at home. If your child is a fluent reader, you could spend this time discussing the book they have read with them.  When The <strong>Lightbulb</strong> FlickersReading Question Ideas for Upper Key Stage Two Fluent Readers   * How does this book compare to the last book you read? Are there any themes that are the same? * What impact does the language have on the reader? Why has the author used that word/ phrase? * Why did the character do/ say that? How do you know? * What do we know about this character/ event? * How has the book been organised/ structured? * What does this word mean? How could we find out? | | Volunteers Needed  C:\Users\Teacher\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\2UMPK0MR\reading[1].pngAre you avaialble on Monday, Wednesday or Friday afternoons? We are looking for some parent volunteers to hear children read in the Owls Class. You will be asked to hear the children read, write in their reading records and on our school record sheets. |
| Homework  Home learning tasks are on the home learning sheet. Some weeks the children may also receive some additional maths work relating to the learning in their maths lessons. The children will be receiving spellings each week and these will be checked by writing a passage of text in the school. | Water Bottles  Please ensure your children **have a labelled water bottle in school with them everyday** so they can drink regularly during their day to ensure they are well hydrated and therefore able to focus on their learning! | |
| PE  The children will usually be having PE on **Mondays and Thursdays**, however they may have additional sessions from time to time with coaches or for specific events so please ensure they have a full PE kit in school every day. The children may be doing indoor and outdoor PE this term, so will require shorts, T-Shirt, jogging bottoms and jumper as well as trainers. Please also ensure that all of your children’s school clothes are clearly labelled so any lost property can get back to the right places. The children are very fortunate to continue to be have PE supported by specialist coaches. | | |
| Mobile Phones  If your child walks themselves to or from school and you would like them to have a mobile phone for this journey, please let us know and these can be dropped off to the office in the morning and collected at the end of the day.  **The children are not allowed to keep mobile phones on them during the school day and these must be taken to the school office at the start of the school day.** | Walking and Going Home  If you would like your child to walk home on their own, please ensure that you have completed the permission letter from the school office. If anyone who is not a parent/ carer will be collecting your child from school please inform either myself or the school office. | |

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