



Owl Class Newsletter

Spring Term 2 2025

Dear parents/carers,

We are now half way through this academic year and, as always, there is so much learning for the children to do. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support you give the children at home with things like reading, times tables, homework and spellings. It is much appreciated.

Our Learning:

In **English**, the children will be finishing up their work on The Graveyard Book before moving on to a non-fiction unit inspired by Letters from the Lighthouse by Emma Carroll.

In **Maths**, the children will be extending their learning on decimals, before moving on to learn about the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages.

In **Humanities**, the children's learning will be Geography focused. They will be looking at how the biomes of North America differ.

The children will learn about natural resources in **Science**. They will investigate where they come from and what they are used for.

In **RE**, the children will focus on Buddhism, specifically looking at how the Triple Refuge helps Buddhists in their journey through life.

In **Computing**, the children will be exploring webpage creation.

In their **DT** lessons, the children will have the opportunity to develop a recipe.

The 'Les vêtements' unit in **French**, will teach the children to talk about the clothes they wear.

In **PE** this half-term, the children will develop skills in swimming and tag rugby.



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Reading, Times Tables and Homework

In UKS2 it is important that the children continue to read at home on a daily basis, remind your children to log all of their reading at home and make sure you have initialled/signed your children's reading records when they have read. Please ensure that reading records are returned to school on a daily basis.

There is also an expectation that children complete 15 garage games on Times Tables Rock Stars each week so they can master their times tables.

Homework will continue to be issued at the start of each half term in the form of a project, linking to something that the children are studying in school. This half term we have decided to theme this around our Geography topic. Children have the whole half term to complete the project, choosing to display their work in a way that they see fit.

Walking Home and Mobile Phones

If you would like your child to walk themselves to or from school, please make sure you have completed the permission slip (these can be collected from the school office). If 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.

PE kits

Children in Year 5 will be going swimming on a Monday so please ensure they bring the correct kit into school to allow them to take part in these lessons. PE will continue to be on Thursday this term. Children will continue to come into school in their PE kits on their PE days, rather than changing at school. Please ensure your children are wearing shorts/jogging bottoms and PE t-shirts with trainers.

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. The children have made an excellent start to the term and I have no doubt that this will continue.

Mr Smith