



Together, we make a difference

Newsletter: Owl Class

Class: Owl Class

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We ask for £10 contribution each term for healthy snacks and ingredients which are integral to our important communication and PSED work. All donations to class fund are greatly appreciated.



Communication & Language

We will be developing our listening and attention skills through seasonal themed attention game sessions.

Through our sessions, children will be encouraged to communicate through their individual strategy.

This may be through gesture, eye pointing, using tactile symbols, Cnaan Barrie signing or intensive interaction. These activities will include attention games, choosing play activities, using the resonance board and commenting or choosing through adult led sessions.

Using a total communication approach we will practice and generalise communication skills across all subjects everyday.

Literacy

Our literacy focus this half term is stories from other cultures. We will be focussing on the musical story 'Anansi the Spider Drummer' which we will be accessing in a sensory way.



We carry out Reading for Pleasure activities, daily. This term we will carry out a sensory version of 'Maya's walk' where we will explore nature; as well as taking part in song time based on Spring and Summer.

Physical/Sensory Development

Our PE focus this term will be dancing. We will be taking part in Ballroom Dancing sessions, and linking them to The Lion King as part of our key stage 2 extravaganza.

Our splash sessions in the pool will be a Friday morning so please make sure your child has their swimming kit.

As part of our curriculum we regularly take part in physio programmes where we use a range of equipment for re positioning, and carry out specific physio exercises. We access these sessions through soft play, dance massage and music and movement sessions. We hold weekly sensory food technology

SEMH/Engagement for Learning

As part of our PSHE theme this term we will be focusing on living in the wider world. This will be supported through small group work, children practicing skills and learning through cause and effect, as well as focussing on routines and things that happen everyday.

We will be using a listening session to focus on sound that we hear daily, will be continuing our switch skill work to figure out how things work.

Mathematics/computing/cause and effect

We will continue our number work through songs and rhymes.

We will be focussing on filling and emptying within shape, space and measure and will access through play, a rang of different objects and materials to practice filling and emptying with. This will include sand and water play.

Expressive Arts & Design

This term we will be focussing on a new art topic based on printing. Owl class will be working with our Art Specialist weekly this term.

In music and dance this term we will be looking at The Lion King. We will be joining in with music and movement using the songs, in order to join in with and support the Key Stage 2 extravaganza.

Equipment Needed:

Please ensure that your child has everything that they need in school. This includes, pads, wipes, and feeding equipment on a daily basis.

Outdoor Learning is on a Monday afternoon, regardless of weather. Please ensure that your child has suitable coats, hats and gloves for the weather.

Splash is on a Friday and your child will need a swimming costume, swim pad and a towel.

Home Learning

This term we are going to be carrying out lots of activities based on sound and forces.

You can support this at home by joining in with instrument play—experiment with plating loudly and quietly or fast and slow. Does your child have a sound that they prefer?

In our forces work we will be experiencing the feeling of pushing and pulling, and moving fast and slow. You could support your child to pull and push different toys, or when playing at floor level you could move your child quickly and slowly.

Key Dates:

10th May— Farm Visiting school

17th May—Outdoor Classroom Day

21st May—Cultural Diversity Day

22nd May—KS2 Extravaganza

W/C 8th July—Sports Week

During June/July you will be invited into class to take part in an activity with your child.