

# Owl Class Newsletter

## Spring 2 2018



### Owl Class

This half term we have said goodbye to Charlotte and will be welcoming a new member to the team. They will be starting in the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> March.

Owls will continue to use the laptops on Tuesday and Thursday's. We will be using a program called 'Clicker6' to practice spelling, writing short sentences and support our learning in English.

Please use the home/school link book to liaise with the staff and we will endeavour to get back to you as quickly as possible.

Please send in some spare clothes as the children will participate in play outside and water play to engage in our weather topic. This will include exploring rain, puddles and sensory trays.

### PE

Owl Class has PE sessions on Thursday and Friday this half term. Please ensure your child has a PE kit (shorts, shirt and plimsolls) with their name in.

### Important dates



Please check your child's home/school link book for further dates.

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Sports relief.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March - End of term and early closure at 12:25pm.

### Owl Class staff

Steve Ashton, Paige Easterbrook and Maureen Reed



### Owl Class Topics

Key Stage One's topic for this half term is 'Weather'. We will be looking at, exploring and talking about different types of weather. These will include, sun, rain, wind and snow. We will be exploring the effects these weathers have on us and the environment, for example shadows in the sun and puddles in the rain. We will also complete a weather chart each day.

In English, we will be looking at stories from other cultures. These will include Handa's surprise and Handa's Hen. Children will identify different animals and fruits in the stories and incorporate these through different lessons. We will continue to practice reading and phonics sounds.

In Mathematics, we will be looking at handling data for example we will be looking at how much rain falls. We will also continue working on our number skills.

We will continue to use lots of sensory trays and equipment to support learning and the sensory needs of our children.

We continue to carry on with our New Year's resolution to drink more water and the children enjoy choosing fruits to put in their water. They have tried lemon, lime, strawberry, kiwi and cucumber.

To continue these topics with your child at home, here are some ideas that you could use to help:

- Go out in different weathers and talk about what you see; clouds, trees blowing in the wind, shadows in the sun, puddles.
- Identify what clothes we need for each weather - coat and umbrella in the rain.
- Count everyday actions as you do them, find objects that are the same.