

Owls Class information:**P.E.**

Our P.E days are Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Children should wear their PE kits to school on these days. PE will mostly be outside, so please make sure your child has jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt in addition to the usual blue/white PE kit.

Homework

Please practise times tables on Times Table Rock Stars and number bonds daily.

Reading Diaries:

Try to hear your child read 3 times a week and update the reading diaries. Please bring reading books back to school every day.

Our school website address is:

www.barcombe.e-sussex.sch.uk

Your child also has a log-in for google classroom. Here, you will find messages on the stream, examples of work, tasks set etc.

Dates for your diary:

- Friday, January 14th – curriculum meeting 9am
- Friday, January 28th – French Day
- Thursday, February 24th - Pay the Piper performance (starring Oswin!) at Glyndebourne – details to follow
- Wednesday, March 23rd – VIAM
- March – Fiver Challenge begins!

Things you could try at home to enrich this term's project:

- Walk down to the sea at Cuckmere Haven
- Build bridges out of all sorts of materials
- Watch out for signs of new life in Spring and watch the life cycle develop



Welcome to Owls Class

Curriculum Information

Term 3 and 4

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SCHOOL

Teachers: Mrs Force and Mrs
Matheson
Teaching Assistant: Mrs Mann

ENGLISH

In our English lessons this term, Owls will be diving (pun intended!) into our new Project of Water. We shall start the term with a narrative, retelling the short animation 'The Blue Umbrella' before starting our new text, Kensuke's Kingdom, a story based around a boy who falls overboard and begins an adventure!

We will continue to read a wide range of texts – fiction and non-fiction – to practise reading for different purposes and to identify themes and conventions within these texts and to extend vocabulary. We will also focus on specific grammar and punctuation and will practise spelling in class and focus on different spelling rules each week.

MATHEMATICS

We continue our work on Fractions in Maths this term, finding equivalent fractions, converting mixed numbers and improper fractions and calculating with fractions. We then move on to decimals and percentages and their equivalence with fractions. We will also be looking at BIDMAS and how to apply it and the properties of shapes including measuring angles.

Here are some of the Year 6 curriculum objectives we will cover:

- ☐ Finding a percentage of an amount
- ☐ Recognising fraction/ decimal/ percentage equivalents
- ☐ Understanding ratio
- ☐ Recognise angles (while using a protractor).

PROJECT – Explore (Geography and Design Technology)

Children will be learning about Water this term, including looking at the oceans and seas across the planet, and major rivers and their effect on the world around them. We will look at how and why cities grew up along rivers and coastlines, and the animal life they support. Later on, we will link with our DT work and look at bridges, their designs, purposes and methods of construction.

Our Project is Water



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This term, Owls will begin by developing their skills in Gymnastics. In this unit, pupils will use their knowledge of compositional principles e.g. variations in level, direction and pathway, combining and linking actions, and relating to a partner when developing sequences and performances.

R.E.

This term's focus is Revelation. We start by looking at the Islamic concept of revelation before moving on to explore different ideas that are related. We shall be learning a little bit of Islamic calligraphy, as well as testing out how easy or hard it is to learn a script by heart though some traditional Islamic children's stories. We conclude with the 5 pillars of Islam and their relevance to revelation.

ARTS

Our Artwork this term will be based on our Water project and will see pupils hone art curriculum objects linked to Rivers and Oceans learning. Pupils will analyse then appraise the work of Hockney and Hokusai. In Dance and Drama, children will work with our teacher Miss Berry, to develop their music, dance & drama skills, building up to a performance.

SCIENCE

This term's Science focus is Living Things and Their Habitats. We will describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. We will also be describing the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

P.S.H.E

This term's focus is Dreams and Goals. We start by looking at our own hopes and dreams both in and out of school, what we have to do to achieve them, how to overcome obstacles, and how success makes us feel. We look at positive ways we can make a difference to the world around us, and then look at our peers and consider what we like and admire about each other.

COMPUTING

We will continue to improve children's understanding of key points relating to e-safety while also focusing on Coding, a key part of the Upper Key Stage Two curriculum.

We will also continue to use computer technology to help support some of our Core subject learning, too (in English, Maths and Science) - using MS Office applications.

FRENCH

This term, we will be looking to develop our vocabulary surrounding our families. We will also work to create a PowerPoint quiz to email to our penfriends in Paris, who will return the favour to us! We also look forward to our French day later in January!

MUSIC

In our Music lessons this term, we will be singing songs in preparation for VIAM. We will also be composing our own songs ready for performance and using instruments to play solo and group pieces.