

Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16



# Owl's Class Newsletter

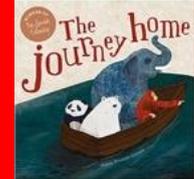
## Autumn 2



Dear parents, I hope you had a super, spooky break and the children managed to recharge their batteries, after the eight-week starter to the academic year. I'm looking forward to sharing the run down to Christmas with all of the children and sharing all of the exciting learning that that will take place with you.



<h3>CURRICULUM</h3> <p>Our topic focus this half term is: Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold</p>	
<p>Maths Addition &amp; Subtraction Shape Revision and consolidation</p>	
<p>PE - Fitt4Kids - Netball / Hockey</p>	
<p>Humanities - Kapow Geography - Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold place?</p>	
<p>DT - Cooking &amp; Nutrition - Balanced Diet Art - Remembrance art / Painting - Life in Colour</p>	
<p>Computing - Word Processing</p>	<p>RE - Who is Jesus?</p>
<p>Music - Charanga - Recorder Taught by Mrs Withers</p>	<p>PSHE - Health and Wellbeing</p>



## Timetable

The timetable this half term will remain similar, with daily Maths, English and Phonics lessons. Other curriculum content covered will be Geography, Science, PSHE, RE, Computing, DT, Art and Music (recorders). PE will continue to take place on Wednesday afternoons.

## Homework

### English

There will be fun, varied and interesting homework activities set this half term, for your children to indulge in - at their own pace. As the children complete them, they will be awarded Dojos. The amount of Dojos earned will be dependent on effort, presentation and total completion. At the end of term, two children with the highest amount of Dojos will be given prizes.

Additionally, I've attached a proportion of the Yr 2 spellings, which will be this half term's focus. I will test the children on these spellings this week, before they learn them at home. I will then test them at the end of half term and children who have made good progress will be awarded prizes! Your support in reminding the children about this would be fantastic.



### Reading

Reading at home is essential to ensure that the children are cementing their phonics skills and also reading with confidence and fluency. Ultimately, regular reading also ensures that children are equipped with the skills to become fantastic creative writers. Interestingly, extensive research studies have proved that regular reading helps promote attainment in all subject areas. Please do help me on this journey of engraining a love of reading with your children, with daily reading practice.

### Maths

Some children are completing Numbots at home, however many are not. This regular practice of Maths is essential, to help underpin the mathematical components of their little souls! If you could prompt them when they do have spare moments that would be fantastic. Times Tables Rockstars will also be added shortly.

### Equipment

I have a huge shortage of glue sticks! If you are able to provide your child with a glue stick to bring to school, that would be a huge help, as something or someone appears to be sneaking into the building at night time and eating them! 😊



### Trip

I will be organising a trip to the Butterfly Farm this half term, to complement our science and geography topics. I will send out details this week. Please do tune into Dojo messages for further updates.

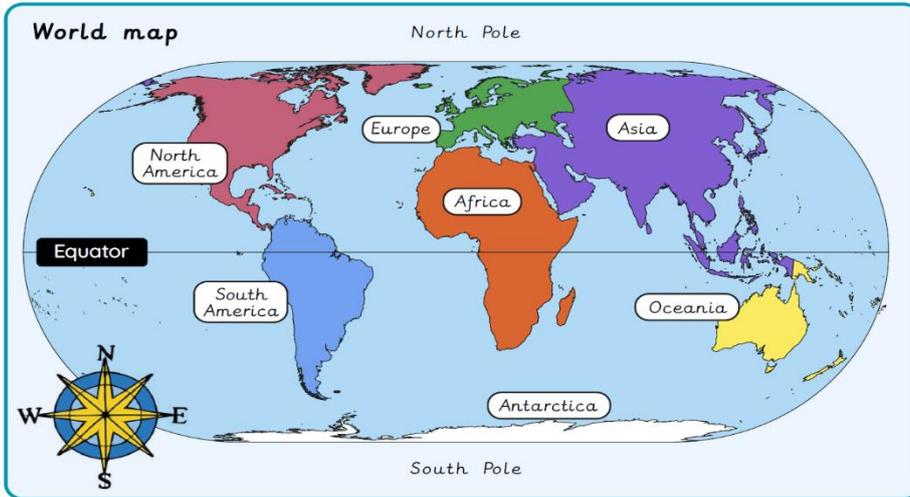
Finally, thank you for all of your continued support. The children are doing amazingly well in Year 2 and flourishing everyday. If you have any queries then please do message me.

Kindest of kind regards,

Miss Morys

## Geography – Knowledge Organiser

### Year 2 - Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold place?



#### UK



What is the same?  
What is different?



#### Kenya

#### North Pole



#### South Pole



## Science – Knowledge Organiser

### KSI - Microhabitats



A **microhabitat** is a small area with different conditions to the surrounding area.

Scientists use **super science skills** to find answers to questions.



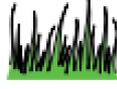
Super science skills	
Researching	
Observing over time	
Comparative and fair testing	
Grouping	
Spotting patterns	

**Minibeasts** are small creatures without a backbone.



### Year 2 Focus Spellings

door
child
cold
pretty
grass
improve
parents
poor
wild
gold
beautiful
pass
sugar

 door	 child	 cold	 pretty	 grass
 improve	 parents	 poor	 wild	 gold
	 beautiful	 pass	 sugar	

Remember, your child will be awarded a prize if they learn these spellings before the end of half term!

