



# Owl's Class Newsletter

## Autumn 1

YR 2



Dear parents, I hope you had the most wonderful summer break and enjoyed spending quality time with your little owlets. I am very excited to get to know their little birdy souls and flying high with them, as we soar through their new learning opportunities.

### CURRICULUM

Our topic focus this half term is:

How was school different in the past?

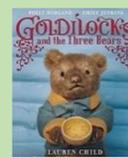
#### Maths

Place Value  
Addition & Subtraction  
Shape



#### English

Goldilocks and the 3 Bears—Lauren Child  
Me and You— Anthony Browne  
Just One Bear— Leigh Hodgkinson  
Writing Outcomes: Wanted posters, letters, retellings, speech bubbles, retellings from another point of view  
Main outcome: Sequel story  
Wolves—Emily Gravett  
Writing Outcomes: Captions, information writing, character descriptions and comparisons  
Main outcome: Non-chronological leaflet



PE - **Fitt4Kids** - Fundamental skills: Throwing, Catching, Rolling.  
Implementing these skills in team games



Humanities - **Kapow**  
History - How was school different in the past?



Art—Drawing—To tell a story  
DT—Cooking & Nutrition—Balanced Diet



Science - Living Things and their Habitats



RE- Who is a Christian and what do they believe?

Computing - Algorithms and Debugging



PSHE - Rules for PSHE  
Families and Relationships

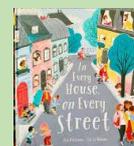
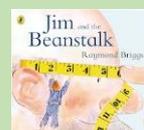


Music- Charanga - Recorder



Love for Reading

Jim and the Beanstalk - Raymond Briggs  
PSHE book - In Every House on Every Street - Jess Hitchman



## Timetable

The timetable this half term will consist of daily Maths, English and Phonics lessons. Other curriculum content covered weekly, will consist of: Science, History, PSHE, RE, Computing, Art/ DT and Music. PE will take place on Wednesday afternoons.

## Homework

### English

I have attached a spelling list for year 2 and whilst there are officially no spelling tests or homework, it would be really useful if you could learn the spellings throughout the year with your children, as more practice helps to embed the spellings in their long-term memory.

We are also providing homework this half term that links to English. The children can tick off activities as they complete them, in any order. This will be provided next week - after the children have settled back into school life.

### Reading

It is always lovely to witness a love of reading amongst children. We aim to promote this through reading activities at school and encourage children to choose to free-read. Reading at home both independently and with a parent assists in cementing this love of reading, therefore daily reading practice is highly recommended. The aim in Year 2, is that all children are taking regular reading tests on AR.

### Maths

Numbots are part of the homework requirement in Year 2. We are aiming for children to be able to confidently recall their 2s, 5s and 10 times tables by the end of the academic year. We will also provide maths homework to cater for the revision of that too, at a later date.

*\*Your assistance with homework and encouragement to complete tasks, continues to invaluable- thank you for your help with this\**

### Equipment

Please ensure your children come to school everyday with a water bottle and a coat, for when the weather becomes a bit wetter and chillier. It would also be really helpful if children have a small pencil case, with the following items: Pencil, rubber, ruler, pencil sharpener and glue stick - please ensure all items are clearly named, especially school uniform

Finally, if you have any items that might link to our new topic, 'How was school different in the past?' (which concentrates from the period beginning in the 19<sup>th</sup> century) that the children might be able to bring in, that would be fantastic. Any cuddly owls, would be a lovely addition too, should the children have any.

I'm very excited to start the half term and embark on all of the exciting learning opportunities we will have together. If you have any queries then please do pop in for a chat.

Enjoy the new season.

Biggest, kindest regards,

Miss Morys



Year 2 Spellings

## New Curriculum Spelling List Year 2

door	child	cold	pretty	grass	improve	parents
poor	wild	gold	beautiful	pass	sugar	Christmas
find	most	hold	after	plant	could	everybody
mind	both	told	fast	path	would	even
floor	children	every	last	bath	sure	
because	climb	great	past	hour	eye	
kind	only	break	father	move	should	
behind	old	steak	class	prove	who	
whole	many	busy	water	half	Mr	
any	clothes	people	again	money	Mrs	

