



Class 1 Termly Class Letter - Autumn Term 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

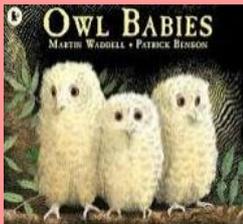
We hope you will find the following information helpful for this term.

LITERACY

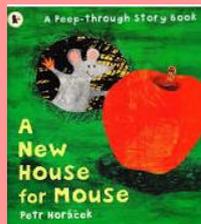
All lessons are based on the 'Power of Reading', a scheme which promotes an enriched Literacy environment, where reading for pleasure is encouraged. A text is studied for a number of weeks, which increases the pupils' stamina in reading a book from start to finish. By studying a range of books each year in depth, pupils build up a rich vocabulary as well as a wealth of knowledge. A number of teaching approaches are used in lessons to help pupils access the learning including art, drama, videos, pictures, shared writing, gallery walks and story mapping.

Communication and language skills as well as reading and writing skills will be based around the following books:

Owl Babies



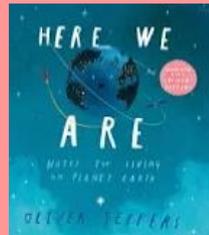
A New House for Mouse



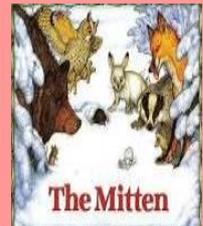
One Day On Our Blue Planet



Here We Are



The Mitten



MATHS

Lessons follow the 'White Rose Maths' scheme, which help build a culture of deep understanding, confidence and competence in maths. We also use 'Active Maths' which incorporates PE with Maths to support learning.

Maths learning will be based around these 'White Rose Maths' blocks:

Just Like Me

Matching and sorting
Comparing size, mass and capacity
Comparing amounts
Exploring patterns



It's me: 1,2,3

Representing 1,2,3
Composition of 1,2,3
Comparing 1,2,3.



It's me: 1,2,3

Geometry and spatial thinking
Circles and triangles
Positional language



Light and Dark

Consolidating key skills (subitising, counting, number composition)
Representing numbers to 5
Composition of 4,5
One more, one less



Light and Dark

Shapes with 4 sides
Time- Daily routines
Night and Day



CREATIVE CURRICULUM

Understanding the World, Expressive arts and design

Pupils experience a whole school creative curriculum approach to learning. Pupils learn through two exciting themes each term to ensure they engage with a wide range of learning experiences and access the EYFS statutory framework. During the first week of the school year we also look at how our brain works and how to look after it and improve our memory.

<p>Brainwave (1 week learning programme)</p> 	<p>Animals including humans</p> 	<p>Similarities and differences between Oxford, Bonn and Leon</p> 
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Other Subjects:

PE	<p>Gymnastics and Tag Rugby</p> <p>Our PE lessons are on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. However, your child will need a full P.E. kit in school each day. Please ensure they have trainers to take part in outdoor PE. As the weather turns colder, they should have a PE jumper and joggers.</p>
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Home Learning:

Book of challenges	<p>Each Friday your child will bring a challenge home . The challenges incorporate different aspects of learning and are fun and engaging. Once each challenge is completed, please return the book to school by the following Thursday, at the latest.</p>
Reading	<p>Your child visits the school library once a week and can borrow books. Please read to your child on a daily basis and talk together about the story, the illustrations, the characters and the key events in the book. We will start to send home individual reading books, together with your child's reading record. These books will be picture books in the first instance, so that the children can tell a story by looking at the illustrations. As the children begin to learn the letters and sounds and start to blend the sounds into words, we will send home reading books with simple words, captions and short sentences in.</p>

Mystery Readers	<p>Once a week we have a 'mystery reader' who comes in and reads a story to Class 1. If you or one of your family members would like to be one of our mystery readers and share a story with us, either in person or online (via Google classroom), please do get in touch. 😊</p>
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If you have any particular interest or skill which you could share with the children to extend any of the above, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Kind regards,

Mrs Mirza

Class 1 Teacher