

17th July 2025.

Dear Parents and Owlets,

It has been lovely to spend some time with the Owlets during our transition days and getting to know them as individuals.

Next year, I will teach Owls on Monday and Tuesday all day and Thursday and Friday mornings. Miss Gingell will teach Owls on a Wednesday. Other, subject specialist staff will teach the class as follows on Thursday and Friday afternoon:

Mrs. Leach will teach Geography,

Madame Bentley will teach French

Mrs. Davies - Computing.

Mrs. Stock and Mrs Nash will be Owls' Teaching assistants.

Next term's topic is entitled: '**Delightful Dragons.**' There will be more detail on the website in early September but we just wanted to outline some of the areas of the topic we will be learning about, so that you could spend some time exploring and preparing yourselves for next term.

Our writing focus will be narrative writing. The stimulus for this will be: 'Gorilla' by Anthony Browne.

In history, we will be learning about the Vikings and in geography, we will be learning about rivers. .Please see the website for knowledge organisers.

Our science topic is 'Animals including humans,' with a focus on teeth and digestion.

Mathematics will focus on place value, addition and subtraction, place value to 1000 and calculation and conversion of measures. Please continue to practise your timetables as often as possible; these are absolutely key for future mathematical development. We will be following the Oak Academy scheme and we will be putting links to the lessons and videos on the class page.

Physical activity will continue to be a key component of next year's curriculum and we start the term with invasion skills (Mondays with Mrs Wildman) and Ball Skills (Wednesdays with Miss G.) Please ensure your child comes to school on **Mondays and Wednesdays in PE kit**. They will require warm clothes, jumpers and tracksuit bottoms / leggings need to be black. Your child will also need a waterproof coat and outdoor trainers. Most physical education lessons will take place outside, so the correct clothing is essential. You will need to leave a pair of boots or outdoor shoes in school because we will try to have playtimes on the field even when it is wet and muddy. This will enable us to make the most of our beautiful environment.

Our class reader (which we have already started,) is 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons' by Andy Shepherd. We will also be enjoying many other texts including 'How to train a dragon' by Cressida Cowell. There are also other books by these authors that you might enjoy sharing. I have also been asked for more reading ideas, so here are a few: The Charlie Bone series, Horrid Henry (there is also an Early Reader series,) Dog Man, Bunny vs Monkey, the Tree House series. Jeremy Strong and Michael Morporgo (just check the story line because some can be quite sad and not necessary appropriate for year 4,) have also written a great deal of amazing books. Reading is essential for so many reasons, enjoyment, wellbeing, vocabulary and knowledge to name but a few.

Remember **'We learn to read and then read to learn!'**

There are a few tasks we would like you to complete over the summer:

1. Regular practice of timetables - There are lots of websites such as: TTR, Hit the Button, Daily 10' and Supermovers that will help your child learn their multiplication tables in a fun, interactive way.
2. Lots and lots of reading! Please sign up for this year's reading challenge. The theme is 'Story Garden.' It has gone digital, but also remember that libraries are a great place to visit. Here is the link:
<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/> We will be celebrating summer reading when children return to school in September, with lots of house points on offer! Your child has also been shown how to access Epic Reading. Please log on at <https://www.getepic.com/sign-in> The class sign in code is: **asz1710** There is a wide variety of interesting reading material for your child to access. It is available from 9am to 4pm on weekdays.
3. Listen, dance and sing to a variety of music, sharing your favourites in September.
4. Research and try out a variety of recipes, including some healthy eating ideas.
5. Have an absolutely lovely summer with lots of outdoor time - Remember

'Outside and offline!'

You are able to access this letter and all information regarding Owls 2025-2026 on the Owls' web page.. It will be updated weekly during term time. Please make sure you look at it weekly and share the timetable and knowledge organisers so that you are prepared for each week's activities and learning.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries. For Mrs Wildman please use either emails:

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Wishing you a happy summer holiday!

Yours sincerely,
Elaine Wildman.