

Owl Class

Autumn 1 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome (and welcome back to some!) to Owl Class, we're looking forward to a new term of learning and getting to know one another!



Owl class topics



Our topic this half term is 'Our School'. We will be learning about ourselves, family members, what we like and naming body parts.

English



In English we are learning about Stories with Familiar Settings, through exploration, props and sensory trays. Some of the stories we will be reading this half term are;

- Pete's School Shoes
- Owl Babies
- Off to the Park

Maths



In Maths we are learning about Length. We will use concept words of long and short and compare objects by length.

To continue these topics at home here are some ideas that you could use:

- Read other stories with familiar settings, such as the park, swimming pool, home etc.
- Talk about school including using photos of staff.
- Describe objects as long and short in play or when you're out and about.

As it is the start of a new year and all the children look so smart in their uniforms, we do not want to lose them. So please ensure every item of clothing has the child's name in, including shoes and socks. We continue to include outdoor learning as a big part of the curriculum. If you have not already done so, please send your child in with named wet weather clothes and shoes. It is also useful to have at least one spare pair of clothes that can be kept in school or in their book bags for messy play.

Topic key language



Key words that we are focussing on this term are:

School, class, Owl, garden, discovery, teacher, friends

Owl Class staff



Class teacher: Zoe Morris (Monday-Wednesday)
Gemma Dunstan (Wednesday-Friday)

Teaching Assistants: Kaitlyn Seebohm M, T, W Th, F

Lisa Kirk M, T, W, Th

Izzabella Brownlie M, T, Th, F

Important Information



- 29th September Harvest Day
- 1st October Inset Day
- 20th October Diwali
- 24th October Break up for Half Term

If you need to contact Zoe or Gemma, please call the school office and leave a message or email:
zoe.morris@riverside.hants.sch.uk or
gemma.dunstan@riverside.hants.sch.uk

Useful Links

[Owl Babies Makaton Book Rap with Singing Hands | MC Grammar](#)  | [Educational Rap Songs for Kids](#) 

[The First Day](#) | [Time For School](#) | [CBeebies](#)

PE



We have PE in Owl Class every Wednesday afternoon.