



OWLS & GOSLINGS SUMMER 1 2024



This term, our theme is Celebrating Self. We will look forward to learning about what makes us all unique including exploring our likes and dislikes, similarities and differences.

Important Information

Mrs Sayers - PPA cover Mon am.
Mrs Cross - Mon pm, Tues and Wed.
Mrs Chisman - Thurs and Fri.
Miss Wilson - TA Mon-Wed, Fri.
Mrs Stanbridge - 1-2-1 support and TA Mon-Fri.

Woodland Wildlings: Monday afternoons

PE: Mondays (Reception) & Fridays

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSHE)

As a whole school, we are continuing to embed "An attitude of gratitude." we will be learning about ways to regulate our feelings and emotions this half term.

We will enjoy regular circle time activities and games.

Communication and Language

Our focus this half term is using the correct tense when speaking and extending our sentences with conjunctions.

Our nursery children will engage in activities with adults on a daily basis and build language skills while exploring our learning environment through play.



Phonics and reading

Reception We are embedding all of our phonic knowledge through short activities and will continue to learn high frequency words.

Nursery are are continuing to explore a sound a week linked to a story. They will take part in short group activities linked to the sound and book. We do lots of singing and rhyme.



Maths

Reception are learning about numbers 9-10 including how they are made up, odds and evens and doubles. We will move onto 3D shape and learn about numbers to 20 and beyond.

Nursery enjoy short group time activities which include singing, games and counting and comparing objects. We will be practicing our number, shape and pattern skills.



Literacy

We will start the term with *My Shadow is Pink* by Scott Stuart. Children will explore the concept of shadows and then their sense of self through rhyme. We write our own leaflets to help children who are starting school.



The Second book is *The Night Pirates*. We will write in role as pirates and learn a song about being a pirate before being invited to join the Night Pirates. We will write a 'How to be a pirate' guide.



Expressive Art and Design

Music: We are exploring transport music - we will learn how to create sound effects and will explore tempo through different modes of transport.

Art, design and technology: We will be practicing our mark-making skills using Get Squigglings. We will develop our skills when junk modelling and learn different ways to connect thing together. We will also continue to bake regularly including exploring how we can prepare healthy food.



Understanding the World

We will explore shadows, and use torches to create shadows. We will make our own shadow puppets and answer the children's questions: Do we always have a shadow, Why don't our shadows have eyes or noses?

We will also explore the moon and sea and answer some more children's questions such as: Why is the moon different shapes? What happens when boats sink? Are pirates real and how do they find treasure?

Physical Development

On Monday, Mr Brotherhood will teach the reception children cricket skills. On Fridays, Mrs Chisman will explore different forms of dance. Please send your child in wearing PE kit.

Woodland Wildlings

Every Monday afternoon we will head down to the woodland.

Please send your child in wearing suitable outdoor clothing and footwear (wellies).

Spare clothes should be in a separate bag in case children get wet or muddy. Please ensure your child has plenty of layers and be prepared for them to get muddy.



Homework

We will be providing homework for our reception children and will send out a separate note about this but includes doing Numbots and Reading regularly at home. We will share passwords again for Numbots. On Fridays, we will also share other tasks to be completed at home and returned the following Friday.