



Autumn 2 in Owls

Another busy term lies ahead. We hope you all had a lovely half term break with your children and enjoyed some of the Autumn sunshine.

Each term we will send home a brief overview of our learning and any information we would like to share with you.

Things I need in school

Your child will need:

- named water bottle filled with water only
- suitable coat that is easy to put on and fasten
- please leave any toys at home (in case they get lost or broken)

Family Learning

Please try and complete any activities set on Seesaw with your child. These activities will support learning in the classroom. They are only short tasks and are often very practical. Please post any work or comments on Seesaw for us to reply to. If you are unsure of your login codes please ask. We also use Seesaw to send announcements and messages so please check it regularly.

We will also use this to ask for evidence of things your child might be doing at home that we might not see in school, for example, some aspects of physical development. This helps us to gain a holistic picture of your child. Thank you for your support with this.

Early Years Curriculum

From September 2021, schools will be following the revised EYFS framework. Our curriculum is carefully planned to ensure your child meets the Early Learning Goals at the end of their Reception Year. Further information on the Early Learning Goals will be sent home shortly. If you would like to find out more about the framework please follow the link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2>

Reading Books

Reading books will be sent home each Monday so please ensure they are sent in for us to change.

Nursery children will bring home a story book to share with a grown up. Have fun sharing it together and discussing the pictures.

Reception children will bring home picture books to begin with. Please encourage them to talk about the pictures in their books and answer questions relating to these. As we continue with our phonics sessions and the children build up knowledge of letter sounds we will send home books with simple words and captions. Please keep re-reading these over the week to develop their confidence and fluency. They will also bring home a book to share and enjoy with an adult.

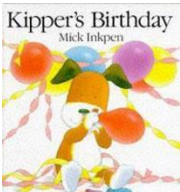
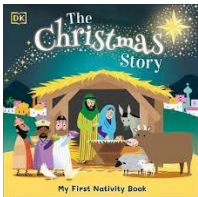
Reception children will also have sounds and words sent home as they are taught. Please go over these with your child regularly so they begin to name and recognise the sounds.

We are here!!




Although we are not meeting parents face to face at the moment please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions, queries or just need to update us with things that may happen away from school. You can a message through Seesaw or email through the office office@hutchinson.staffs.sch.uk We will get back to you as soon as we can either with a message or phone call if required.

Mrs Owen & Miss Johnson

Our Learning in Owls – Autumn 2 2021

Topic	Focus texts	Rationale
Let's Celebrate	<p>Kipper's Birthday</p> <p>The Christmas story</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div>	<p>We have chosen to focus on the different celebrations that take place at this time of the year prior to, and including, Christmas. We use the story of Kipper's birthday to discuss birthday traditions.</p>
Communication and Language	We will be developing our listening skills and beginning to follow instructions. We will listen and join in with regular Storytime.	
Personal, Social and Emotional	At the start of our busy year we will be learning the class rules and making lots of new friends. We also learn the importance of looking after things and tidying up. We will also discuss the importance of toothbrushing and looking after our teeth.	
RHE	Theme – Healthy Eating	
Physical	This term we will develop our use of one-handed tools including pencils, scissors and hammers. We will also be developing our gross motor movements and moving in different ways using the outdoors as much as possible.	
Literacy	<p>N- will be making their own marks and beginning to give meaning to them. We will be looking at print in the environment and sharing lots of stories.</p> <p>R – will be using their phonic knowledge to write simple words and short captions. We will be using our writing skills to make lists, write cards and a letter to Santa.</p>	
Mathematics	<p>N-. We will focusing on sorting and making patterns.</p> <p>R – We follow the White Rose Maths Scheme. This term we are focusing on numbers to 5 and exploring how they are made up. We will also be sequencing events and talking about day and night.</p>	
Understanding the World	This term we will be finding out about different celebrations and the traditions that go with them. We will also find out about important events from the past and how they are celebrated today.	
Expressive Arts and Design	This term we will be mixing colours to make our own pictures. We will also be making our own Christmas cards and crafts.	
RE	<p>N- Special times</p> <p>R – Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas?</p>	

Things you can do at home.

	<p>Share stories regularly. Can you retell the story to a grown up remembering some of the language? Can you make up your own stories?</p>
<p>Practise using your cutlery at home. Can you remember which hands we put them in? Can you have a go at cutting some food up yourself?</p>	
 	<p>Go for a walk around your village. Look for the changes we might see now we are in Autumn. Can you find any poppy memorials in your village? Can you remember why we have poppies?</p>
<p>Reception – can you go on a letter hunt? How many objects can you find beginning with a sound you have learnt?</p> <p>Can you write the letter in sand, flour or mud? Try using a pencil too!</p>	

Useful websites

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> - for fun phonics games

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting> - for fun maths activities

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks> - to consolidate our work in Early number