

Owl Class

Welcome back!

Our learning theme for this half term is...

I love the mountains; I live the rolling hills.

Most of our learning will be linked to our main theme, although some subjects i.e. Maths, will continue to be taught separately.

In English, children will focus on narrative and persuasive writing. Using the text *The Missing Barbegazi*, we will learn to describe characters and settings using expanded noun phrases and figurative language. We will also create holiday brochures, learning to use alliteration, rhetorical questions, and slogans to persuade their audience. We will continue to focus on oracy skills, experimenting with vocal expression and register to suit different audiences.

In maths, we will learn to draw, read, and interpret data from line graphs, tables, and timetables. We will also learn to classify and measure angles up to 180°, calculate angles on a straight line or around a point, and identify regular and irregular polygons. Additionally, we will focus on reading and plotting coordinates, understanding translations, and adding or subtracting decimals.

Links to Prior Learning

This topic builds on pupils' previous learning about different environments and societies. Children will compare the Alpine region with their own local area, exploring similarities and differences in daily life, human impact, and geography to help them deepen their understanding of how different locations shaped the world.



For art, we will investigate artists who use printing. We will explore shape and texture to sketch the mountains we want to print, then plan and create our own print blocks.

In computing, we will be connecting Crumbles. We will learn how to combine outputs, control conditions, and write and test our own algorithms.

In RE, we will explore the significance of the Eucharist for Christians and investigate what "holiness" means for Jewish people. During PSHE, we will focus on healthy lifestyles and personal safety.

Reminders:

Please can your child bring their reading book to school every day. We will spend a little time reading on most days and the pupils will be able to change their books when needed.

PE will be on Thursdays and Fridays. On Thursdays we will be focussing on rounders and on Fridays we will be learning to play tennis.

As part of our healthy eating approach, we do not allow squash or flavoured water in school, so please ensure your child has only water in their bottle. If your child would like a snack at break times, we ask that you send them to school with fresh fruit or vegetables to promote a healthy diet.

How to support your child at home:

Working in partnership is important to us and makes such a difference to your child's progress. We would like to make sure that all children are completing their 'home learning'.

- Reading each day - recording their reading activity in their reading journal.
- Practise your current set of spellings and or the statutory spellings.
- Practise times tables frequently - focus on any your child struggles with. You can use Timetable Rock Stars or Hit the Button for this. You can also use any other methods your child enjoys.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 4th May - BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 18 May - Multicultural day

25th - 29th May - Half term