

### Curriculum Learning Overview

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This document will hopefully give you an overview of what Little Owls learning will look like during the Autumn term.

### Curriculum coverage:

- Phonics, Maths and English are taught daily.
- PE will be on a Thursday & Friday. Please ensure children come in their PE kits.
- Music, PSHE and metacognition are taught weekly.

All other subjects are 'blocked' (taught daily over a period of 1 or 2 weeks). Please see page 2 for an outline of what will be covered in topics this term.

Please check your '**Class Dojo**' app for messages throughout the week.

Let the office know if you do not have access to this.

Thank you for your continued support,

*Mr Lines & Mrs Speight*

## English: Reading & Writing

Our reading and writing this term will explore the following themes. During Autumn 1, the focus will be on traditional tales. The focus texts will be **Meerkat Mail**, **Goldilocks and the Three Bears** & **Dogger**.

During Autumn 2, we will explore well-loved stories **Hansel and Gretel** and **Avacado Baby**. We will also look at poems and some non-fiction writing; our writing and reading will be based around these books and texts.

The children will continue to use our VIPERS acronym to enhance their comprehension skills and explain key events in the text and the main characters' feelings. (**V**ocabulary, **I**nfERENCE, **P**redict, **E**xplain, **R**etrieve, **S**ummarise).

## Maths

The principal focus of mathematics teaching in Key Stage 1 is to ensure that pupils develop confidence and mental fluency with whole numbers, counting and place value. We will be developing fluency through our daily fluency practice.

Year 1 – Place Value (within 10), followed by addition and subtraction and shape.  
Year 2 – Place Value (within 100), followed by addition and subtraction and shape.

## Music

This term the focus for music will be on pulse and rhythm. We will be practicing using our voices in different ways, feeling the pulse and listening to a piece of music with concentration.

## PE

A sporting influence coach will be teaching PE every Friday afternoon and Thursday's lesson will be class teacher led.

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## Art: Line (Drawing)

We will be exploring the work of Pablo Picasso and using his famous painting 'Self-Portrait' to create our own versions.

## Computing

In computing this term, we will be focusing on project evolve and digital literacy (computing systems and networks – information around us)

## RE

In Autumn 1 – The children will explore the story of 'The Lost Son'. And consider what they believe God is like.

In Autumn 2 – We will look at Incarnation and consider 'Why does Christmas matter to Christians?'

## History

We will be exploring and comparing toys from the Victorian Era to those that children have now.

## Science:

The children will focus on animals including humans. We will classify animals into different groups including, fish, amphibians, reptiles and mammals.

## . Design and Technology: Textiles.

The children will design a pouch and evaluate it. The key skills they will be using are

- Cutting fabric for sewing,
- Decorating pouches using fabric glue or running stitch
- Evaluate the quality of the stitching on someone else's pouch
- Discuss as a class the success of their stitching against the success criteria.

## PSHE: (Personal, Social & Health Education):

In PSHE this term, we will be focusing on the topics 'Physical Health and Well Being'. During this topic the children will learn about what foods are associated with different celebrations in different cultures. We look at personal safety and keeping safe in the sun.

## Ideas for creative writing at home this term...

- Write a recount of your favourite part of the summer holiday.
- Create a list of items to pack in a suitcase.
- Write a postcard to a friend/family member.
- Create a picture that shares the emotions that the character is feeling.
  - Write a story with a beginning, middle and end.
- Write your own version of the three little pigs.

## Homework

We welcome and encourage children to continue their learning beyond school and share the results with us. We have consciously decided not to publish or set homework sheets to avoid these becoming a list to work through however there are some key weekly tasks/ activities that we would like all children to complete. These are outlined on this page alongside some ideas to encourage creative writing at home...

## Phonics

In Early Years and KS1, in addition to daily phonics, we read three times a week in school. Please listen to your child when they bring home their reading practice book each week.



## Daily Reading

Learning to read – and to love to read – is directly linked to children's success at school and beyond.

Reading **daily** with and to your child is the single most important thing that you can do to help them with their learning.

For more information about how to support your child with their reading, please visit our school website.