

Unit 2 (Years 1 & 2) Newsletter Summer 1 2024

PE and Woodland camp

Little Owls and Tawny Owls PE day is Monday.

Snowy Owls PE day is Friday. Children can come to school in their PE kit on their PE day—White T-shirt, navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms, black trainers or plimsolls and school jumper.

Please bring in a pair of wellies in a bag to stay in school for your child to use in the woodland camp. Snowy Owls woodland camp day is now **Tuesday**, Tawny Owls is **Thursday** and Little Owls on **Friday**.

Home Learning and Supporting the Curriculum at home

We have attached a selection of Knowledge Organisers, for you to use to support your child's learning at home. These set out clearly what we expect children to learn and remember in that subject. Please use these at home to reinforce and help embed your child's learning.

Reading—As always, please continue to listen to and read with your child every day.

Home Learning: Make a musical instrument out of recycled materials, explore different genres of music and write about your favourite, listen to a piece and name the instruments, listen to some live music.

Further information on our home learning projects is also on Teams.

Maths

In Year 1 we will be learning about counting in equal groups and multiplication, then moving on to division and fractions.

In Year 2 we are going to finish our block on money, then move on to fractions and measuring temperature.

Literacy

Our literacy sequence is based on 'Traction Man' by Mini Grey. The children will write an adventure story based on a favourite toy.

Later in the half term we will be reading poem book 'The First Book of the Sea' by Nicola Davies. The children will be writing their own poems.

School Value



This half term, we are learning about Creativity. Children will be thinking outside the box to solve problems creatively across all areas of the curriculum.

Creativity is an essential skill for the future, and relates to our School Aim of 'Ready for Work'.

British Value



This half term, in our Class Assemblies and PSHE lessons, we are learning about the British Value of Tolerance, by understanding about different cultures and accepting opinions of others.

Our Curriculum- Children in Key Stage 1 and 2 will enjoy a long and short enquiry each half term.

Long Enquiries

A long enquiry typically lasts five weeks and allows us to teach a subject, such as history, in depth. Clear expectations of what will be learned is shared with parents and pupils through a Knowledge Organiser. At the end of this work, our enquiry will culminate in a performance or outcome for parents, showcasing their acquired skills.

Our first Learning Enquiry this term is **Music**—Throughout this Long Enquiry, children will develop vital musical skills encompassing musicianship, listening, singing, playing, improvising, composing and performing. They will learn about rhythmic patterns, explore diverse pitches, and play and improvise melodies on the Glockenspiel using one, two or three notes. The Knowledge Organiser is attached. Please use it to reinforce and repeat the learning at home.

Short Enquiries

A short enquiry can last anything from 1 – 3 days and adds breadth to our curriculum.

Our short enquiry this term will have a **Geography** focus—fieldwork. To investigate the human and physical features of the school and the grounds.

The English Riviera Airshow Drawing Competition

The English Riviera Airshow are inviting schools in Torbay to take part in a drawing competition this year. They have asked us to demonstrate our school value of Creativity and draw a picture of the airshow on a piece of A4 sized paper. The design is completely up to you but must feature something from the airshow. The winning design will be featured on the English Riviera Airshow website, social media channels, and digital screen on the event site. If you wish to take part, please bring your artwork into school by Thursday 16th May. The English Riviera Airshow will announce the winner the week commencing 27th May.

Dates to remember:

Monday 6th May—Bank Holiday

Music outcome—3pm (Tuesday 14th May -Tawny Owls

Wednesday 15th May - Snowy Owls, Thursday 16th May - Little Owls)

Tuesday 21st May 2.45pm — Book Look

Friday 24th May—Last day of half term

Monday 3rd June—Non-pupil day

Tuesday 4th June—First day back to school (Summer 2)