



Unit 2 Newsletter Autumn 2 2021

PE and Woodland Camp:

This half term we will be doing gymnastics and dance during our PE lessons: children are to come to school in their PE kit on their PE day.

Little Owls and Tawny Owls PE day is Monday
Snowy Owls PE day is Tuesday

Please bring in a pair of wellies to stay in school for your child to use in the woodland camp.

Snowy Owls and Tawny Owls—Tuesday
Little Owls—Wednesday

Home Learning and Supporting the Curriculum at home

Please take time to read this half term's knowledge Organisers. These are designed for you to use to support your child's learning at home. They set out clearly what we expect children to learn and remember in that subject. Please use them at home to reinforce and help embed your child's learning.

Our home learning project will be set on Teams, please see their home-school link books for the logins and passwords. They also have access to lots of apps to help their learning at home, including: TT Rockstars, Sumdog, Spelling shed, Math shed, MyOn, Letterjoin, Oxford Owls.

Library—the children will choose a library book to share at home each Monday, please return the book each Monday.

Messages

Please continue to contact the school office by email admin@preston.torbay.sch.uk or phone 01803 607075 with any questions or queries. Or see our school website <https://www.preston.torbay.sch.uk/>

Please remember to order your child's lunch online.

The gates open at 8.40am—children are welcomed into class at 8.50am. The class teacher is available at the end of the day.

School Value



This half term, we are learning about Responsibility. We all need to be responsible so that our friends know they can rely on us. This helps us to be Good Citizens.

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 others opinions.

Our Curriculum

Children in Key Stage 1 and 1 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 the work, we plan to use Enquiry Quizzes on our iPads to see how much each child has remembered.

Short Enquiries

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

Our first Learning Enquiry this term is History, exploring why Mary Seacole helped nurse British soldiers during the Crimean War. The Knowledge Organiser for this will be available on Teams and on the School website. Please use it to reinforce and repeat the learning at home.

Maths

This half term in Maths, Year 2 will be learning to solve calculations within 20, to fluently add and subtract within 10 and to add and subtract two digit numbers.

Year 1 will be learning to compare quantities and understand part-whole relationships and the composition of numbers 0-5. All the children are going to be using concrete resources, visual images and representations to support them with their learning.

Literacy

We are starting off the half term by exploring a humorous story, 'Boa's Bad Birthday' which is a story the children will be able to relate to and enjoy writing their own versions of. In the second half of the half term, we are going to be writing our own performance poetry based on 'Snow in the Garden' a collection of poems by Shirley Hughes.

Dates to remember

Wednesday 15th December - Christmas lunch (details to follow).

Friday 17th December - Christmas jumper day and last day before Christmas holidays.

Tuesday 4th January - School returns.

School App

Our school app is the best way to get information about dates and events going on in the school. Search for 'School News' in your app store.