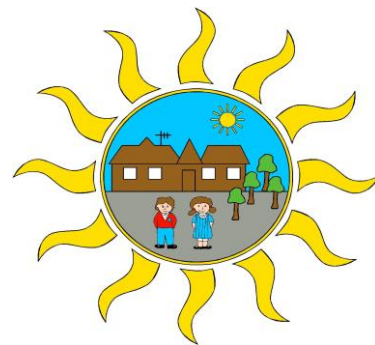


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Monday 11th September 2017

Dear Parents,

A really warm welcome to Owls class or should we say 'Castle'; Mrs Hines (Mon-Wed), Mrs Helas (Thurs-Friday). We are looking forward to getting to know your children (some of you) and continuing to work alongside those children we already know.

Maths and English lessons

Children will be taught in ability groups for some of their Maths and English lessons using a concrete, pictorial, abstract approach. This is to enable us to best meet the requirements of the individual. Where possible, some areas within these lessons may be linked to our topic.

In English, we shall be using a variety of different books and texts to develop our reading, understanding of language and our writing.

In Maths we shall be covering number – place value, addition and subtraction, shape, measurement (money) and begin to look at multiplication and division.

The children will continue to learn their times tables and number bond facts, alongside regular reading, phonics and spelling opportunities. Help at home with all these activities is always important to children's progress.

Topic

This term the class topic will look at Castles. We will look at the first castles, what they were made from, the structure of medieval castles, who lived in a medieval castle and the Tower of London through time. We will also look at exploring the land features of where a castle was built and why hills were important. Through art the children will experience engraving techniques and using watercolours.



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Children will have the opportunity to look at medieval tools and examine their uses, they will then design their own. In the latter half of the term, children will have the opportunity to design and build a medieval castle.

We have also planned an exciting trip for the children to visit a castle.

During this term, we will also look at Harvest, Special Occasions and the Christmas story as our RE focus.

PE lessons for Owls are on Thursdays but children will need their PE kits in school every day.

PSHCE

In this area of the curriculum we will be looking at anti bullying, e-safety and rules and responsibilities.

Please continue to hear your child read as often as possible and keep practising times tables and/or number bonds at home. We look forward to an exciting term with your children.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Hines

Mrs Helas