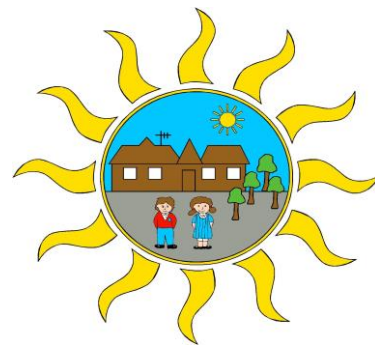


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Friday 7th September 2018

Dear Parents,

A warm welcome to Owls class from Mr Cella and Mrs Pay. We both look forward to working alongside you all and getting to know both your children and yourselves throughout the year and having a barrel of laughs along the way.

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 be All About Me. Not me personally as that would not take very long at all! We will talk about ourselves as human beings – how we work, what nutrition we need and our body parts – and explore how we see ourselves by making self-portraits in different styles followed by looking at how LS Lowry portrays space, buildings and people. We will find out more about our local area, understanding where our school is on a map and discussing what we find in the area around the school. As I'm sure you are aware, it will be the 100th anniversary of the



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end of World War I in November and we will try to understand what life was like as different types of people during the conflict. I will of course be very careful to not go into the horrors of the war, I will keep it very focused on the people rather than the conflict itself.

We have been very lucky to get the West Sussex Music Service in to teach music this year. There will be 10 week sessions across all three terms. This term we'll be learning the Djembe drum!

PE lessons for Owls are on Thursdays but children will need their PE kits in school every day, as there will be PE lessons at other times during the week.

RE will be taught on Thursdays as well, covering Harvest and Worship in the Home.

PSHCE

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

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.

Mr Cella