



Barn Owls Class Newsletter Autumn Term



We are very excited to welcome the Year 5s into Barn Owls and welcome back the Year 6 children!

Our class teaching team consists of Mrs Wood (class teacher), Mrs Jones (learning support assistant), Mrs Campbell (learning support assistant) and Mrs Bray (PPA cover, Thursday mornings).

These are some of the things we aim to cover this term:

English

- Factfiles
- Diary writing
- Non-chronological writing
- Narratives
- Poetry
- Setting description
- Reading comprehension
- Grammar and punctuation including: Synonyms & antonyms, nouns, determiners, adjectives, verbs, adverbs, speech, pronouns, prepositions, possessive apostrophes, contractions, expanded noun phrases, modal verbs, subordinate and main clauses, subordinating conjunctions
- Weekly spellings based upon the national curriculum

Maths: Place value to one million/ten million; counting on and back in 10,100,1000; rounding and estimation; negative numbers; roman numerals; mental addition and subtraction; multiples, factors, primes; addition/subtraction of whole and decimals; square and cube numbers and order of operations; multiplying and dividing by 10,100,1000; short and long multiplication and division, word problems with all 4 operations.

Science: Term 1 and 2 - Properties and changes of materials

Geography: Japan. Earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanoes. Using mapping resources

History: Linked with geography

Music: Japanese music and Music Express curriculum

Design and technology: Japanese seasonality. Investigating earthquake proof buildings

Art and design: Hokusai. Jomon pottery

Computing: Coding, spreadsheets

PSHE: Rights and responsibilities, dealing with change, getting along

RE: Buddhism

PE: Term 1 - evade, invade, capture, Term 2 - explore, solve, challenge

Languages: Japanese

We also organise specific topic days in order to immerse the children in a subject and deepen their understanding. In the Autumn term, we will be having a Japan Day on Monday 17th November. On this day, children will take part in a variety of Japanese themed activities and they are also encouraged to dress in something Japanese. You will receive more details about this in due course.

Homework is given out on a Thursday and to be handed in by the following Tuesday. Spelling and timetables tests are completed on a Thursday.

PE is on a Tuesday (Year 6 parents, please note that this has changed since last year) and kits are taken home to be washed every Friday. PE activities may happen at any time throughout the week so **PLEASE BRING IN PE KITS ON A MONDAY.**

Please remember that these some of these dates could be changed according to circumstances.

Please be aware that things may be adapted and dates may be changed if necessary and appropriate.

Please see school website, school newsletter and letters/emails sent home for the latest news and dates relating to school events.

Please let me know if there is anything you want to discuss.

**Thank you for all of your support.
Mrs Wood and the Barn Owls team.**