

OWLS & GOSLINGS



NEWSLETTER

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Our Learning - Autumn 1

THEME: OUTSIDE INSIDE

We will be noticing changes in nature as we enter into Autumn, exploring the natural world around us and embedding the growth mindset approach to learning.

PHONICS

Reception will begin learning letter sounds starting with s, a, t, p, i, n. Nursery will explore early phonics including working on listening to sound patterns, rhythm and rhyme.

LITERACY

We will begin reading *Where the Wild Things Are* and then *Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain*.

MATHS

We will begin to explore the composition of numbers to 5 building on what we already know. We will sing, play games and explore in nature and while playing.

PSHE

We will be exploring New Beginnings and what it is like to belong to a group.

What's New

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

We will explore the changing seasons, look at different types of animals and where they live including safari animals. We will explore floating and sinking.

RE

We will learn about the Creation story in RE and what we would create in the world, linking it to our school values of honesty, kindness and respect.

EXPRESSING ART & DESIGN

We will be exploring materials to make boats, linked to our floating and sinking learning. We will be doing observational art with apples.

COMPUTING

We will be using computational thinking skills of problem solving, logic and decomposition to explore patterns.

PE - EVERY FRIDAY

Fundamental skills of movement including balancing, running, stopping and hopping. Please come in PE kit on Fridays.

NOTICES



Important Information

READING

Reading books. Your reception child will soon be coming home with reading books that have no words in them. Story telling using pictures as prompts is an important reading skill. As sounds are taught, we will gradually introduce books with words. Please ensure that reading books come into school everyday.

Reading for pleasure. We will provide opportunities for all children to select a book to take home to share with you. Please ensure that the books are returned when you are finished with them.

COMMUNICATION

Communication between home and school is important to us. We are always happy to chat to you.

Email:

owls@gooderstone.dneat.org

Informal chat: at the start or end of the day. If you feel that you need a longer conversation, please chat to us to arrange an appointment.



Woodland Wildlings - Monday



Every Monday afternoon, we will head over to the woodland. We will be encouraging the children to get themselves ready as best as they can and supporting them along the way. We will be exploring the woodland environment, learning how to care of nature, using tools and learning about fire safety. We will also learn to take supported risks (such as tree climbing) and develop our problem solving and team working skills.

Please send your child in wearing PE kit on Mondays and ensure they have suitable clothing for the weather and **wellies in addition to their normal footwear.**



Dates for your diary

- Friday 11th October @ 2.30pm - Owls Gathering.
- Friday 25th October - Finish for half term.