



Owls Class Curriculum Overview — Term 1 and 2

Conflict

English—

In our English lessons this term, Owls will be delving deep into our new *Discover* Project of **Conflict**. In the first few weeks of Term 1 (in September), pupils' English lessons will take on a History focus. Children will read **Anglo-Saxon Boy** and explore what it teaches us about our first historical event of interest—The Battle of 1066. Throughout this term, we will consider the following question: *Is conflict always bad?* In our afternoon Whole-Class Reading sessions, we will be studying a range of fiction and non-fiction texts, including our class 'reader', *Holes*. We will cover the objectives below:

- ⇒ Using colons, semi-colons and conjunctions
- ⇒ Using relative clauses to add information
- ⇒ Use adventurous vocabulary

Maths—

Owls will focus on understanding **Place Value** this term. As with Years 3 and 4, this topic forms the bedrock of the Year 5 and 6 curricula, and will ensure children have a sound understanding of Number before covering other topics throughout the year. As part of Place Value, children will be learning the value of each distinct part of a number (up to 10 million); how to order and compare numbers; how read positive and negative numbers and how to round a given number to an appropriate multiple.

We will cover the following curriculum objectives:

- ⇒ Read/write/order numbers up to 1/10 million
- ⇒ Interpret negative numbers in context

RE—

This term's focus is **Gospel**. We will be starting by thinking about the question What Would Jesus Do, before looking at the main messages from the Sermon on the Mount and whether any of these remain relevant in 2021. We look at the idea of Jesus the healer before moving on to thinking about why people might choose to pray. We end with looking at the reasons behind charity.



Science—

Children will be learning about **Forces** this term, including Gravity, Air Resistance, Water Resistance and Friction. We will learn how to identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces.

As always, we will continue to hone children's understanding of fair-testing during our whole-school STEM days.

PE—

This term, Owls will begin by developing their skills in **Tag rugby**. We hope to develop our speed and agility, as well as the more specific skills of attacking and defending, marking and our team awareness. We will also be bringing back our Daily Mile to see how much we can improve our times over the course of the year!

PSHE—

This term's focus is **Being Me in My World**. We start by looking at our own hopes and dreams both in and out of school. Then we move on to consider the universal rights of all children, and how hopes and dreams might vary depending on individual circumstances. We look at our rights and responsibilities, consequences and rewards, and how our actions can affect other people.

Arts —

Our Artwork this term will be based on our **Conflict** project and will see pupils hone art curriculum objects linked to our Battle of Hastings and World War Two units of work.

In Music, Dance and Drama, children will work with our new teacher, Miss Berry, to prepare a musical piece for our Harvest performance. *More info to follow.*

Computing —

We will continue to improve children's articulation of key points relating to e-safety while also completing a short Networking project using *Purple Mash*.

Dear Parents and Carers,

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If you would like to explore the topics we are covering when at home, we invite you to take a look at our Google Classroom page via classroom.google.com.

Thank you all for continuing to support your child at home by:

- A) reading daily (to become a Reading Star);
- B) Completing any homework task set;
- C) Logging onto TT Rockstars.

Key Dates:

Monday 13th September—Owls Class meet

Wednesday 29th September—Mrs Williams Maths workshop for parents *More info to follow*

Wednesday 29th September—provisional Battle Abbey trip, Year 6

Tuesday 5th October—Harvest performances

Thursday 7th October—STEM day

W/c 18th October—Parent Consultation Meetings

Thursday 21st October—Last day of school for pupils

Friday 22nd October—INSET day

Kind regards,

Mr J Hughes and Mrs E Matheson

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Year 6 Parents' Information