

Welcome to Owls

2025-26



Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to be teaching your child this academic year and look forward to an exciting year ahead. Please find below some helpful information which will hopefully clarify any questions you may have.

Staffing:

Class teachers: Miss Roberts (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) & Mrs Trevor (Weds)

Teaching assistant: Mrs Gudger (Mon, Tues and Wed mornings) & Miss Dias (Thurs and Fri mornings)

**Year 3 - Maths will be taught by Mr Lawford and Science/Spellings will be taught by Mrs Trevor.*

What does my child need to bring?:

-All stationery your child requires will be provided by the school.










Each day, your child will need:

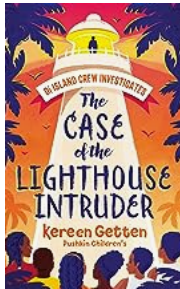
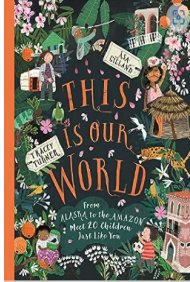
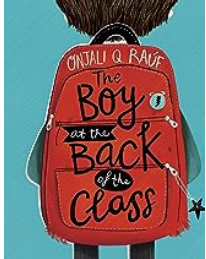











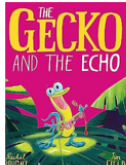



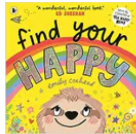









-water bottle/lunch -waterproof coat -reading record and book -fruit snack

Please ensure that all belongings are named.

PE days will be on a Wednesday and Friday. Please can your child wear their PE kit to school on these days.

What will my child be learning? Autumn Curriculum Coverage:

Maths	<p>Place Value - to ten thousand (Year 4) and one thousand (Year 3)</p> <p>Addition and subtraction - four-digit numbers (Year 4) and three-digit numbers (Year 3)</p> <p>Calculating area (Year 4)</p> <p>Multiplication and division - multiplication facts up to 12x12 (Year 4) and x3, x4 and x8 (Year 3)</p> <div data-bbox="1230 1223 1485 1509">    </div>				
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Whole Class Reading	<div>The Case of the Lighthouse Intruder by Kereen Getten</div> <div></div>	<div>This Is Our World: From Alaska to the Amazon - Meet 20 Children Just Like You by Tracey Turner</div> <div></div>	<div>The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Q. Raúf</div> <div></div>	
Love to Read	<div></div>			
Religious Education	<div>Creation</div> <div>Big question: What did the creator ask Humans to do with His creation?</div> <div></div>			
Science	Autumn 1 Year 4 - Animals including humans (digestive system and teeth) Year 3 - Rocks		Autumn 2 Year 4 - Sound Year 3 - Light	
Geography and History	(Autumn 1) Roman Britain 		Volcanoes (Autumn 2)  	
Music	Feelings through Music During this unit, we will answer the question ‘How Does Music Teach Us About Our Community?’			
P.E	Wednesday: BRS Coaching 		Friday: Wimborne Tennis Club 	
Art	Exploring Still Life - Drawing Focus artist: Paul Cezanne  			
Design technology	Structures - Pavilions - (Autumn 1)			
Computing	Autumn Events and actions in programming 			

PSHE	Autumn 1 <u>Me and My Relationships</u> -Co-operation -Feelings -Friendship		Autumn 2 <u>Valuing Differences</u> -Understanding and challenging stereotypes
French	Vive le Sport! (Our Sporting Lives) This unit allows children to talk about sports and healthy and unhealthy eating habits.		



How can I help at home?

Reading:

Please encourage your child to read as much as possible. Please sign their reading log to detail what they have been reading. These will be collected in on a Monday. We encourage the children to read at home at least three times a week and will be continuing with the 'Wild about Reading' challenge this year.



Spellings:

Your child will be assessed on their spellings on a Tuesday and their new list will be shared on the same day. The list will comprise of eight words. We are this year using a new scheme called 'Spelling Shed'. Over the first half-term, the children will explore using this website in school. Your child will bring their first set of spellings home on Tuesday 9th September 2025.

Times table practice:

Your child has a Times Table Rock Star (TTRS) login to practise their times table facts. Please encourage your child to practise as frequently as possible. Weekly competitions will be set up with the opportunity to be awarded certificates.

*Please note if your child is in Year 4, they will sit a statutory times table assessment in June 2025 which will assess their recall of times table facts up to 12x12. More information to follow.



Class Dojo:

Your child should be assigned to Owls on Class Dojo for the new academic year. We look forward to continuing to use this platform to share your child's learning and celebrate their successes!



Volunteers:

If you are able to kindly offer your time, please let me know.

Educational Visits:

During the year, we will be planning some exciting trips for your child. This half term, Year 4 will have the opportunity of visiting Salisbury Cathedral to participate with the DSAT iSingPop Concert. This will take place on Wednesday 22nd October. Please look out for a separate letter with more information regarding this visit. Despite Year 3 children not being involved in the final concert, all children from Owls will complete the iSingPop Rehearsal Day on Friday 19th September where they will be taught a number of different songs and dances. This Rehearsal Day will take place at Trinity C.E. First School in Verwood and to make this workshop possible, we kindly ask for your assistance in providing transport to and from Trinity. Please refer to the separate letter that you will have also received today about this.

To support our learning on the Romans, Owls will be visiting Hooke Court in Beaminster on Thursday 2nd October. Again, please look out for the separate trip letter with details about this visit. If you would be available to kindly volunteer to support with this visit, please let me know.

Please note that the details of the Year 4 residential to PGL in Osmington Bay (Wednesday 6th May - Friday 8th May 2026) will also be shared shortly.

Parent Share Events:

Our first Parent Share event of the year will take place on Thursday 23rd October at 14:30-15:00 where the children will share their design technology learning on pavilions.

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to ask. Parent consultation meetings are scheduled for Wednesday 15th October and Monday 20th October. This will provide an excellent opportunity to share how your child has settled in. I hope you will be able to attend. However, in the meantime, should you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Looking forward to a fantastic year!

Best wishes,

Miss Laura Roberts