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Curriculum Letter
Autumn 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Owl Class! I hope you are well rested from your Summer Holidays and ready to dive straight in to Arts Week where we will be exploring the work of Aaron Copland. Following on from that we are going to turn our scientific minds towards the fascinating process of the life cycle. We will be watching it first hand by hatching caterpillars and learning about metamorphosis. An exciting term and year lie ahead of us!

To support learning at home please ensure that your child is reading from a book and practicing times tables every day – we will be challenging each other to become Timetable Rock Stars this year. Spellings will continue to come home on a Friday to be tested the following Thursday, with the anticipation of being selected from the hat to win the IN IT TO WIN IT spelling prize.

Children will need to have a full PE Kit in School. Our PE days will be Monday and Tuesday this term.

Pencil cases may be brought to school but not shared. Please see the attachment at the bottom of the list with pencil case rules and requirements.

Information about what your child will learn this half term is in the table below.

| Curriculum Area | Autumn 1 |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Topic | Life Cycles |
| Class Novel | Beetle Boy by M. G. Leonard |
| Genres | Assessment piece: Recount |
| Reading | Reciprocal Reading |
| Maths | Place Value |
| Science | Life Cycles |
| R.E. (Glos) | Why do Hindus want to be good? |
| Music | Classroom Jazz |
| Art/D&T | Exploring Art |
| P.E. 1 | Invasion Games |
| P.E. 2 (James) | Football |
| French | |
| PSHE | Healthy Relationships |
| Computing | E-Safety |
| TRIPS | TBC |

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any further queries,

Thank you for your continued support.
Miss Wykes
Owls Class



Pencil Cases:

Individual pencil cases may be brought into school in Year 5 and 6.

They can contain any of the following:

- *Pencil
- *Coloured pencils
- *Coloured felt tip pens
- *Writing pen (if a pen licence is owned)
- *Ruler
- *Eraser
- *Pencil sharpener

All resources are also available in the classroom if you choose not to bring one.

Rules of use:

- Pencil cases should be left in school for daily use
- Pencil cases are for individual use only – no resources may be shared between children in the class
- Wipe-able pencil cases are preferable but not compulsory
- Pencil cases should be used as a resource, not a toy.

