

ST LAWRENCE C E PRIMARY SCHOOL

**YEAR 1
CURRICULUM
OUTLINE**

**Spring Term 2019
(1st half)**

A Starry Night



Our topic this half-term is 'A Starry Night!'. For our stunning start we will be visited by real owls. The children will enjoy a morning of petting, feeding and learning about these nocturnal creatures. Our topic will culminate with an exciting morning of drama and singing campfire songs.



English

English lessons this half term will centre on light and dark. Our key text for this topic will be 'The Owl who is Afraid of the Dark' by Jill Tomlinson. The main text will provide opportunities for story writing, poetry and role-play. We will also be looking at non-fiction books and creating our own reports based on owls. We will continue to work on phonics and word recognition through a range of games and activities.

Maths



In Maths we will be continuing to develop important number knowledge and skills including counting, ordering numbers, doubling and halving and number bonds. Addition and subtraction will be consolidated using number lines, whilst multiplication and division will be introduced through the idea of grouping and sharing objects. We will also be solving problems involving money and measures using real life scenarios to contextualise learning.

Science

Our science topic is 'Animals'. We will be learning how to classify animals and identify their features. The children will continue to develop their skills when working scientifically and conducting investigations.

Art

In Art we will be focussing on 'A Starry Night' by Vincent Van Gogh and using this as inspiration



for our own artwork. We will also explore how artists use light and shade in their work.

Computing

We will be learning how to use the internet effectively to find information and use this to create our own fact files about owls and other nocturnal animals. We will also be learning about e-safety and how to stay safe when using the internet.

Music

Our focus in music will be camp fire songs. The children will begin to use symbols to record their music and read this to perform their sequences.



PE

Games - We will develop ball skills using a range of equipment and improve games tactics and strategies.

Gymnastics - We will continue to develop the children's awareness of balance and position within gymnastics.

PE will be on Wednesday and Thursday for Cherry class and on Wednesday and Monday for Holly and Lime classes.

Please make sure your child's PE kit is complete **and named** and his/her plimsolls are a good fit. During the cold weather please add jogging bottoms or a tracksuit for your child to wear during outdoor PE. Swimming will resume in the Summer term.

PSHCE

We will continue to use the 'circle time' forum to discuss important issues and feelings. We will be learning to recognise and celebrate differences, as well as overcome our fears. We will celebrate the things that make us special and recognise our own talents as well as set personal goals.

RE

The focus will be 'Stories from the Old Testament' We will read and explore the stories of David and Goliath and Daniel and the Lions' Den.



Important Dates for the Term

Friday 11 January	Huxley Owl visit
Monday 14 January	School clubs begin
Wednesday 16 January	8.50 St Lawrence Hub coffee morning
Tuesday 5 February	9.00 Governors' AGM for parents
Tuesday 12 February	7.00 Maths curriculum evening
Wednesday 13 February	9.10-10.10 Maths curriculum morning
Wednesday 27 February	Visit to Drusillas Zoo
Friday 1-Thursday 7 March	3.15 Book fair
Thursday 7 March	World Book Day (dress up)
Tuesday 12 March	5.30-8.00 Parent consultations
Thursday 14 March	3.30-5.30 Parent consultations
Wednesday 20 March	8.50-9.15 Stay and share for parents
Friday 29 March	School clubs finish
Wednesday 3 April	3.15 PTA Easter egg hunt

General

Thank you for all your support with reading and home learning. It really makes a difference and greatly benefits your child's progress.

Please feel free to come and see us at any time if you have any questions. We are available after school on Tuesdays for longer discussions if necessary.

