

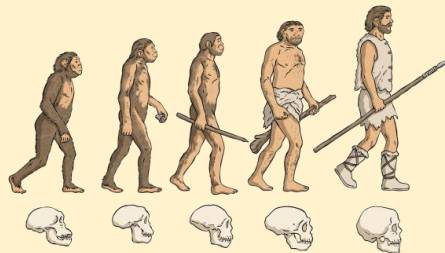
Owl Class

Term 1 & 2 Curriculum Information

Discover!

Our Discover History project is:

Ancestors



Term 1: Stone Age to Iron Age **Term 2:** The Victorians

Key Concepts: Identity, Belonging, Belief, Oppression

Key Question: Who do you think you are?

Class Teacher: Mrs Robertson
Teaching Assistants: Mrs Whitehorn & Mrs Johnson
SportsCool PE Coach: Dan
Forest School Leaders: Katie & Toby
Nurture Group Lead: Ms Bruce
Intervention Group Teacher: Mrs Grimsdell

Communication

Please keep a close eye on email and text communications from the school office. Important dates can be found on the Hamsey website: www.hamsey.e-sussex.sch.uk

Owl Class information:

P.E.

In Terms 5 and 6, PE will take place on Wednesday mornings with Dan from SportsCool. Please send your child to school dressed in their PE kit (dark blue or black shorts/joggers, plain white t-shirt, trainers, school sweatshirt).

Forest School

Owl Class Forest School will take place on Thursday afternoons.

We head outside for Forest School in all weathers apart from during thunderstorms or gales and we will stay outside all afternoon. It's really important that your children come dressed properly so they can participate and enjoy the session. This includes: a waterproof coat; waterproof boots; extra socks on a cold day; waterproof over-trousers; layers with long sleeves; jumper; snood or neckwarmer - scarves are not recommended if working with tools/fire; gloves; warm hat.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a clean and refreshed water bottle in school **every day**. Children have their water bottles on their desks and we encourage them to drink throughout the day.

Long Hair

As you are all aware, it is our school policy for long hair to be tied back. If your child has long hair, then please ensure your child has plenty of hair ties. Plaited hair stays more secure than ponytails through a busy school day – I also hear they are much better deterrent for nits!

Home Learning

Please continue to read with your children regularly and update reading records. In years 5 and 6, children may fill in their own reading record if they prefer. There will be a home learning task linked to project work sent via Parentmail for children to complete each term. Later in the year, Year 6 children will be given several SATS revision booklets to work through. Please remember to login to Times Table Rock Stars each week to keep up these skills.

Please ensure your child has their reading book and reading record in school each day for staff to check.

English & Reading

Our class text is Wolf Brother by Michelle Paver. We will look in detail at the literary devices used in the text and use these as inspiration to write our own narratives. The children will also have opportunities to write non-fiction texts including persuasive speeches, balanced arguments and reports. We will continue to focus on key spelling rules, punctuation and grammar.

Maths

We will continue to follow the White Rose Maths scheme: 'Teaching for Mastery'. This scheme follows a concrete (physical resources), pictorial and abstract approach to bring maths to life and encourage visualisation before attempting abstract problems. Topics in terms 1 & 2 will include: place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, and fractions.

Science

Term 1: **Evolution**. We will identify how living things have changed over time and observe how fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. We will identify how adaptation of animals and plants may lead to evolution.

Term 2: **Electricity**. The children will learn about and make simple series electrical circuits using cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers. They will explore conductors and insulators.

Art

Through our history work on the Stone Age to the Iron Age, we will explore cave paintings and follow the designs of our ancestors in recreating some of our own. Through their artwork in the autumn terms, the children will improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials.

Music

Children will have the opportunity to learn the ukulele in weekly music lessons. We will learn about the instrument itself, how to play different notes and chords, and experience playing as an ensemble. We will continue to learn about different musicians and musical genres in our Music assemblies. All KS2 children will have the opportunity to be a part of the Hamsey School Choir.

PSHE - Personal, Social and Health Education

Our topic this term is 'Being Me!'. We will explore how we learn best at school and why education it is important. We will look at the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) and understand its importance locally and globally. We will discuss our rights and responsibilities at school and in the wider community. We will learn about expressing our views and opinions in a responsible way.

Religious Education (RE)

Children will explore the topic: 'Creation vs Science'. This will include exploring the Christian creation story. We will discuss whether a Christian could believe in both creation and evolution and where we can look for answers to life's big questions!

French

In French, we will learn all about time. Children will learn to say the days of the week, months and dates (including their birthday) and count from 11 – 31. Children will begin writing to pen-pals at a federation linked school in Paris, France.

PE

Owls will have PE sessions with Dan, our professional sports coach, from SportsCool. We will make full use of our beautiful grounds whilst the weather is nice. They begin the year with fitness and team games, then move on to dance after half-term.

Computing

Our Computing topics in the autumn terms include Online Safety, Networks and Coding. Children will have opportunities to use word processing skills in English lessons.

Trips – Dates for your diary!

Year 6 Safety in Action visit to Newhaven Fort – Tuesday 20th September
Owl Class Trip to Butser Ancient Farm – Tuesday 18th October
There will also be a Harvest and Christmas celebration for parents and carers.

~ Letters to follow! ~

Y6 PATINA PARADE

Would you like to be a PATINA parent rep? Our parent PATINA reps play a vital role in organising fundraising throughout the year for this important event – starting with a Halloween fair! Please let Mrs Robertson know if you would like to help.

