

Owls' Newsletter

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CURRICULUM

After SATs, Owl Class will be having a few 'subject days' where we can explore the final parts of the Year 6 curriculum in more depth.

Our Humanities Day will focus on South America and the countries within it. The children will complete a mini project on the country of their choice.

There will be an 'Electricity Day' to finish off the work in **Science**. This includes changing components in a circuit and noting what happens.

RE this term will focus on celebrations and ceremonies in different religions.

In **Computing**, we will be looking at 3D modelling - how to plan, develop and evaluate their own 3D model of a building.

RSE will include sex education within the topic 'Families and committed relationships'.

Mindfulness and good **Mental Health**: As ever, throughout this term, we will be paying heed to the children's mental health and happiness.

PE REMINDER

Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday. Children should come into school in their PE kit on these days.

Final Term Ever At Epping Upland



The end of an era is fast approaching and Owl Class will soon be preparing to move on to pastures new. But before that... SATs! These take place during the week beginning 9th May – the day after the coronation bank holiday! Even though they are tests and we expect the children to do their best, we have tried to ensure that they feel fairly relaxed about them. During the week, there will be time for some fun activities too.

After half term, we will be going to Kingswood in Norfolk for the Year 6 residential trip. We visited this venue for the first time last year and had a great time. We will be having a meeting after SATs to discuss details such as clothes to pack and the amount of spending money allowed.

A large part of the rest of the term will be spent concentrating on your child's impending transition to secondary school. This will enable the children to feel more confident in moving forward whilst at the same time reflecting on their experiences and friendships made at Epping Upland. Our class book at this time will be 'Wonder' by R.J. Palacio, which is the most brilliant book for children to engage with and relate to at this auspicious time.

More About This Term

ENGLISH

Whilst Reading Comprehension is one of the SATs test papers, the children's writing has to be teacher assessed. So, we will continue to develop the many different writing skills, focussing on grammar and punctuation.

MATHS

There are three Maths papers taken in SATs: one in arithmetic and two focussing on real life problem solving and reasoning. During the second part of the term, the children will continue to practise Maths daily, taking the opportunity to participate in more practical activities.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Year 6 children have a great deal of fun and traditional 'rites of passage' to look forward to. These include the infamous 'jelly baby challenge', the Year 6 Enterprise Scheme and of course - Leavers' Assembly. Coupled with the arranged transition visits that their new schools usually arrange, they have a very busy and fulfilling term ahead of them!