Reading

In Owls and Swans we would like you to read with for your child for 5 minutes 3 times per week. When you have read, please date and sign the purple reading record.

Please ensure that ***all*** items (including clothing, water bottles, lunch boxes) that come to school with your child are clearly ***named*** to avoid loss. ***The children are responsible for taking care of their own belongings.***

Thank you
The Swans and Owls Team.

New Road Primary School

Autumn Term 2 2026

Owls - Reception



Information for Parents

Miss Whitehand, Mrs Decena, Mrs Graham, Mrs Brittain and Miss Wojakowska

Dear Parent/Carer,
We are starting this half term with our theme 'Let's Celebrate'. This booklet is to inform you of what your child will be learning this term. There are also some questions included to help your children to extend their learning at home.

Mathematics (M)

This term we will be carrying on with number work, learning about numbers to 5. We will also be thinking about 2D shapes including, squares, rectangles, triangles, and circles.
Can you find see a square in your house?

Literacy (L)

In Literacy this half term, we will be looking at a range of celebrations that are based on historical stories such as the Christmas story. We will be doing lots of word building using the new sounds we are learning in Phonics and we will also spend lots of time learning how to write simple words.
Can you write a sentence about something that you did in school today?

Personal, Social, Emotional Development (PSED)

During this term we will be recapping how we treat each other in school and thinking about the school rules. We will also be discussing how to be safe when outside of school, especially when crossing the road.
Can you tell a grown up how we cross the road safely?

Communication and Language (CL)

This term we will be doing lots of speaking and listening activities as a whole class and in small groups. We will be sharing our ideas and thoughts during Circle Time. We will also be listening to a range of texts including stories, poetry and non-fiction to help develop our vocabulary.
Can you tell someone about your favourite story at school?

Physical Development (PD)

In PD we will be providing the children with lots of opportunities to demonstrate their fine and gross motor skills such as cutting, threading and writing activities. On Thursdays, we will have PE with Mrs Batchelor and Mrs Williams. They will be teaching ball skills. Please send your child to school in their sports clothes on Thursday only.
Teach someone at home a new skill that you have learned in our PE lessons?

Understanding the World (UW)

In UW we will be learning about different celebrations that we have this half term, such as remembrance and Diwali. We will spend lots of time learning about the Christmas story and practising a nativity.
Can you tell a grown up which characters are in the nativity story?

Expressive Arts and Design (EAD)

In EAD we will carry on singing a range of songs, we love to sing! In Music we will be learning about what pitch means. In Art and Design we will be learning how to make a collage.
Can you perform some of our favourite songs from school to a grown up?