

Owlets Newsletter

Summer Term 2 (2023)

Our Half Term Experiences

This half term we have focused our learning around Our Wonderful World. The children have explored other cultures, viewed various fashions, dances and enjoyed exploring some different foods. They really enjoyed making their own pizza slice, choosing their own ingredients and waiting for it to cook. The children continued to investigate our wonderful world through a variety of science experiments to see which items would float or sink, causing lots of giggles and laughter when our resources would sink to the bottom of the water tub. The children were then in awe beginning to learn about precipitation. They made their own rain cloud and added food colouring to watch their colourful rain fall down. We were fortunate to have been visited by a variety of insects in which the children loved looking at them through magnifying lenses, and discussing how they all are different. Alongside these experiences, our Owlets have been practicing their fine motor skills, with lots of activities to strengthen their pincer grip, such as threading, tweezer pinching, geo boards, playdough and cloud dough challenges, as well as finger painting lines and shapes in gloop!

Owlets have been actively enjoying our weekly PE sessions, with a mixture of activities in our large school hall as well as outside in the playground. The children have practiced using a variety of PE equipment such as hockey sticks to establish good routines and expectations when using school resources. Following on from this Owlets opened King Ina's annual Sports Day by running the first race of the day! Thank you to our Year 6 Sports Captains who supported Owlets in their race.

We would like to also thank all parents and carers who attended and supported the launch of our Owlets Activity Time Sessions. The children have really loved sharing their learning and activities with you... prior to each session they would become very excited with the anticipation of the event! We are looking forward to hosting even more events next year!

Next Academic Year

On Tuesday 5th September we are hosting an open welcome session for all returning, as well as new families, to visit Owlets between 1.30pm & 3pm. This is to aid settling your child's return to us or their new start with us. The Owlets team will be here to discuss the provision, answer any questions and listen to any updates on your child you wish to share. **Owlets will open for the new academic year on Wednesday 6th September.**

Our 2023 School Leavers

This half term has been a busy few weeks for our school leavers. They have had many opportunities to visit their new Reception classes and explore their new environment. Within Owlets we have supported the transition by talking to the children about school and having conversations about the exciting new activities they will do with their new teacher. The children have blown us away this year with all their personal developments, and as a provision we are so proud to see how much they have flourished.

This year we excitingly hosted our first Owlets Leavers' Party. The children returned to Owlets in their party clothes to enjoy a chip shop dinner kindly purchased by the PTFA and were then thoroughly entertained by Crazy Kev & Dinky Dino. The children laughed so much and were mesmerised with their antics. We have enjoyed supporting and watching your child/ren flourish with us in Owlets and will miss their happy faces in September.

We wish all our School Leavers a magical summer holiday and all the best for joining their new classes!

Please Help Us

Looking to September we would be grateful if you have any of the following at home you'd like to donate to Owlets to support their development, learning & enjoyment:

Cars & Trains - Dolls - 'Barbie' style figures - Lego -
Small World characters - Spare clothing

Fur Cones - Shells - Stones & Pebbles - Sticks

Dates for the Calendar

21st July: Last day of Academic Year (Summer Holidays)

4th September: Inset Day

5th September: Inset Day

5th September: Open Session (1.30pm-3pm)

6th September: First Day of Term (Owlets open)

25th September: Activity Time Session * (2.15pm-3pm)

20th October: Inset Day

23rd-27th October: Half Term Holiday

31st October: Activity Time Session * (9am-9.45am)

14th November: Owlets First Family Movie Night *

TBC December: Owlets First Christmas Party *

18th December: Christmas Holidays Commence

*Further details will be released closer to the event

