

# Join Us In Our Learning Journey



Autumn 1 2023



This term our topic title is **All about me!** We will be learning about ourselves, our families and friends, our class and school, our likes and dislikes and our favourite and/or special things! We will also be looking at Autumn and what happens during this season including Harvest.

## Things to remember...

**Please** can we ask that:

- Book bags should come to school every day.
- 'Proud Cloud' comments are placed in your child's book bag. We also use Tapestry, so please upload any observations at home too.
- PE kit should be brought to school (black shorts, white top, plimsolls/trainers and socks). It will come home at the end of each half term.
- **All uniform is named and that this is checked regularly**
- You read every night with your child/practise letter sounds/keywords and sign the reading journal. We will reward the amount of days read at home.

## Books to Read

### A FEW EXAMPLES!!

I am too absolutely small for school- Lauren Child  
Do I have to go to school? - Lesley Harker/Pat Thomas  
I love you all day long - Francesca Rusackes  
Funnybones- Janet and Allan Ahlberg  
Titch- Pat Hutchins  
The Name Jar- Yangsook Choi  
All kinds of people- Emma Damon

## Places to Visit

Suggestions only!!!

The beach

or local wood

A friend's house

A place of interest to your child

## Take Home Task

Each week we will be learning 4 new letter sounds using the Monster Phonics scheme. The first week's sounds are /s/a/t/p/. We will display focused letters on the whiteboard outside Owl Class each week. Please encourage your child to sound the letters at home and discuss with your child things that begin with these sounds. Practicing oral blending (c-a-t=cat) and segmenting (dog=d-o-g) skills will also be beneficial.

'My Treasure Box' to create a treasure box and to place inside things that are precious to you e.g. photos of your family, a favourite toy. You can also decorate the box to make it even more special. Please bring these to school by the date below so we can share these with the class.

**Hand in by 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Below are some useful websites and exciting games for your child to enjoy:**

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<https://www.teachyourmonster.org/>

<https://play.numbots.com/#/intro>

We have provided you with your child's login for both Teach Your Monster and Numbots - this is in the front of their reading journal. These can also be accessed via their app - there may be a small cost.

We are always desperate for the following items: -

- Bottles, lids, pots, tubs, small boxes, kitchen roll tubes etc. For our junk modelling area.
- Objects for our role-play areas. This term we will be having a School and Home Corner.

Furthermore, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries.

Many Thanks

Miss Goss & Mrs Mann