



Grove Road Primary School – Owls Club

18th April 2016

Owls Club Newsletter – April / May

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter for Owls Club! This is a very exciting time for us and we look forward to sharing our updates and ideas with you in our half-termly newsletters.

We would like to welcome our staff team: Sharon Berry (manger), Kirsty Kirkpatrick (deputy manager), Elaine Deluce, Lisa Peterson, Rowenna Moar and Denise Hipkin.

The children already know Elaine, Lisa, Rowenna and Denise well, as part of our lunchtime team at school. Of course they also know Elaine and Lisa from the previous after school club. We are lucky to have such a keen, hardworking team to lead and run our Owls Club. All of our staff have many years of experience and a passion for working with children.

Our vision for Owls club is to create an environment where the children can relax after their busy school day but still have the structure of planned activities that engage, motivate and excite them. As you collect your children from Owls Club, the menu and activities planned for the week will be on display above the register where you sign your child out. If you have any feedback or ideas, please share them with us.

During the next couple of weeks the children are going to have many opportunities and activities, many of them based around the theme of **Spring**. These will include:

- Cooking / decorating biscuits
- Science activities
- Recyclable modelling
- Salt dough making and sculpting
- Drawing, colouring and other art & craft activities
- Physical activity e.g. team Games, football.
- Planting seeds and looking after plants

We will also have board games, jigsaws, top trumps, loom bands, small world play, computers and other activities to offer, as part of our rota of options for the children.

We are asking for your help with collecting some of the following resources in order for the children to create arts and crafts:

- Empty cereal boxes and large plastic drinks bottles
- Empty egg boxes and yogurt pots
- Kitchen roll tubes
- Old wrapping paper
- Unwanted plastic flower pots (small), for planting seeds.

If you do also have any K'nex, jigsaw puzzles, lego or other similar toys or items, which are in good condition, but you no longer need, then we would happily give them a new life at Owls Club!

Over the next few weeks we will also be asking the children to add their ideas to the planning and additionally would like to invite you as parents for your thoughts and ideas.

We look forward to working with you!

Yours sincerely,

Sharon Berry,
Owls Club Manager

Kate Kellner,
Deputy Headteacher

and the Owls Club Team