

# Owls Newsletter



Dear Parents,

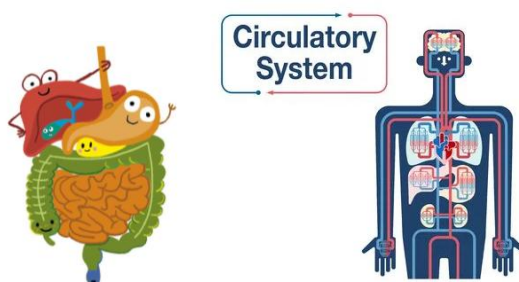
Can you believe that we are now into the final term of the school year? This term brings a lot of exciting events and activities for year six as they embark on their last weeks of primary school. Further details about end of term events will come out nearer to the time but key dates are included on this newsletter.

## Our Topics

In this final term, our humanities work focuses on our 'Explorers' topic. During this topic work, we will develop our understanding of the Amazon rainforest, the living things which can be found there and what threatens the future of the rainforest. We will also look at modern day Mexico and explore different aspects of Mexican culture, as well as finding out about the physical and human geography of the country.



Our science work looks at 'Animals, including Humans'. In this unit of work, the class will learn about the main body parts and internal organs (skeletal, muscular and digestive system) to explore and answer questions that help them to understand how the circulatory system enables the body to function. Pupils should learn how to keep their bodies healthy and how their bodies might be damaged – including how some drugs and other substances can be harmful to the human body.



## Atom Learning – Y6 Homework

We will continue with Atom homework this term to help year six pupils get into the routine of completing assigned tasks, a key skill for secondary school. Homework will be scheduled to go live each week on **Monday** at 00:00 and will close the following **Sunday** at 23:59. Homework will begin from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June. The final homework will be set on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June and will close on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Pupils have been earning raffle tickets for completed homework tasks. The raffle will be drawn and prizes announced on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July.



## P.E

Our PE day will continue to be Monday unless it becomes necessary to make a change. If this is the case, you will be notified in advance. Please ensure your child wears suitable P.E kit on this day. In line with the policy, small stud earrings may be worn in school but must be removed for PE lessons. Long hair should be tied back for PE lessons.

## Transition Visits to Secondary Schools

This term naturally sees a lot of focus on the transition from year six to secondary school in September. We will be completing some transition activities as part of our class learning and several secondary schools have already been in to meet with pupils who will be joining them in September. By now, your child will have been invited to attend a transition day, sometimes two days, at their secondary school. These are usually in the last week of June or first week of July. These dates are not automatically communicated to pupils' primary schools. If you have been made aware of dates when your child is expected to attend a transition day at their secondary school, could you please let us know via the school office. This helps us to avoid any clashes with in-school events.

## Year Six Events

### **Safety in Action – Cobham Hall**

Following on from previous successful visits, our year six pupils have been invited to take part in a North Kent 'Safety in Action' interactive event, organised by Project Salus. The event will be held in the afternoon on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July** at Cobham Hall School. The event is specifically designed for Year 6 pupils to learn about some of the dangers they may face as they become more independent and prepare for transition to secondary school. Thanks to support from the PTA, there is no cost to parents for this event however we will require parents to transport their children to and from the event. To enable parents to support each other with this, a consent form and further details will be sent out very soon.

### **End of Year Activities/Enterprise Days**

Year 6 worked extremely hard on their Enterprise project and raised a fantastic amount of money (final total to be confirmed). They are now starting to think about what they would like to do for their leavers' events to mark the end of their time with us here at Higham. More details will be sent out nearer to the time. I am so grateful to everyone who supported Owls class with their enterprise stalls.

Our **Leavers' Assembly** will take place on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 9:15am**. We would like to invite up to 2 guests per pupil to attend.

The **Year Six BBQ** will also be held on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July**. This year, the BBQ will begin during the school afternoon (2:30pm) and will finish at 4:30pm.

**More information and permission letters for both events will follow as soon as possible.**

Many Thanks,

Miss Davey

