## **Benwick Primary School**



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## Owls Class Link Up - Spring Term 2018

Owl Class have quickly settled back in to school life following the Christmas holidays and we have already been working hard to build on the skills we developed last term. This half-term, our topic is 'Fabulous Fens!', in which we will be thinking about our local area and its physical and human features. We will be using maps and mapping software like 'Google Earth' to investigate Benwick and the surrounding area, and will also be investigating the kinds of jobs adults do in our village. Our Science work is all about 'Growing Plants' and so we will be spending time investigating the plants in our local area and the conditions they need to grow. In Art, we will be using different media to recreate local landscapes.

In Literacy for the first few weeks, our work will be based around the story of The Snow Dragon, and we will be using the story to do lots of work on characters, settings and sequencing narratives. In the latter part of the half-term, we will be writing information texts linked to our Fenlands topic work.

In RE over the term we will be answering the question 'Who was Jesus?' This will include thinking about the stories Jesus told and their messages, and also why Jesus is an important person to Christians.

Owl Class will have PE every Thursday, for the whole afternoon. PE lessons will take place inside this term, as they study net/wall games and gymnastics. Please make sure your child has an indoor kit in school on this day so they can participate fully and safely.

Please Remember, indoor kit needs to include appropriate clothing e.g. (shorts, t-shirt and socks and trainers).

## Homework

Reading - Your child should bring their reading book home every night. I know that time is very tight in our busy lives but just 10-15 minutes reading at home each evening can make a big difference to the children's progress.

Don't forget, if your child has moved on to the 'Accelerated Reader' scheme, you can log on to find out how well your child is performing in their comprehension quizzes. <a href="https://ukhosted32.renlearn.co.uk/2233">https://ukhosted32.renlearn.co.uk/2233</a>

<u>Maths and English</u> - Maths and English homework will be given out each Friday, and I would like it to be handed back in the following Wednesday. The homework will be based around things which we have learnt about during the week.

As always, if you have any worries, concerns or questions about any aspect of school life, please don't hesitate to contact the office, the Head or myself.

Mr. King Owl Class Teacher