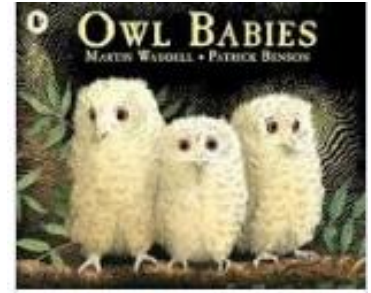


Autumn 2 - weeks 4 and 4 - Our topic is...

'Owl Babies'



Core texts: Owl Babies by Martin Waddell

A variety of non-fiction texts about owls and other nocturnal animals.

Questions:



- Can you describe what an owl looks like?
- Can you tell me a fact about an owl?
- Where do owls live? What is their habitat?
- What do owls eat? What is their diet?
- What other nocturnal animals can you name?

Key Vocabulary:

Prey - This is an animal that is hunted by another animal for food.

Habitat - This is the natural home or environment of an animal or plant (where they live).

Nocturnal - This means being active or happening at night rather than during the day. A *nocturnal animal* is one which wakes at night and sleeps during the day.

Did you know:

Owls have short, thick bodies which are covered in feathers. Their feathers protect them from the cold.

Owls use their *talons* to catch their **prey**. They also have a curved *beak*.

Most owls eat a mixture of small animals e.g. mice, birds, frogs and insects.

Other nocturnal animals found in the UK include moths, foxes, badgers, hedgehogs and bats.

The most common species of owl found in the UK is the tawny owl. They live in woodland areas.

Fun fact:

A group of owls is called a *parliament*.

