

Rowan Class Provisional Timetable							
	1st lesson	2nd lesson	3rd lesson	Lunch		4th lesson	5th lesson
Monday	PE	Spellings	Maths			English	History/ Geography
Tuesday	Maths	Spellings	English			RE	PSHE
Wednesday	Science	Spellings	English			Maths	French
Thursday	Music	Spellings	English			Computing	Maths
Friday	Maths	Spellings	English			PE	Art/DT

Where possible the above timetable will be used.

Timings:

Registration: 9.00am

1st lesson: 9.00 - 10.15am

2nd lesson: 10.45 - 11.45am

KS2 lunch 12.15pm

4th lesson: 1.15- 2.15pm

Assembly 10.15 - 10.30am

3rd lesson: 11.15am-12.15pm

5th lesson: 2.15 - 3.30pm

Morning Break: 10.30 - 10.45am

Rowan Class Year 3



Autumn 2023

Newsletter for Children and Parents



Class Routines and Information

Welcome to Rowan Class. We are really looking forward to working with you and your child over the coming year. Here is an explanation of our class routines and information regarding Year 3.

Staff: **Mrs Keeble**— Monday, Tuesday, Thursday morning and Friday
Mrs Farrugia - Wednesday and Thursday afternoon for French
Mrs Churchill—Thursday afternoon Computing
Mrs Hicks — Teaching Assistant every morning

Daily Routines: The children will now enter the school via the classroom door in the mornings. We will use this door throughout the day. The children will put away their belongings and wash their hands before we take the register at 9am.

Reading Books: As usual, reading books will be sent home daily. Please try and ensure that your child brings their reading book into school everyday, regardless of whether or not you were able to read with them at home the previous evening. Whenever you do hear your child read, a short note in their reading diary about their reading, retelling and understanding would be very useful. Once a book has been read and your child has spoken to an adult in school about the book we would ask your child to put it onto Mrs Hick's table and a new one will be given. The skills of prediction and retelling are very important. Therefore we would discourage children from reading a whole book in one evening.

Library : Rowan class will go to the library each week on a Tuesday. The children will be able to choose from our fantastic range of books in school. Please encourage your child to bring in and change their book each week. We encourage children to take home a library book that they are interested in, even if they cannot read it independently. If this is the case, please share the book with your child and read it to them if necessary.

P.E: We have PE lessons on a Monday and Friday. Please ensure your child has the appropriate **named kit** in school at all times, including shorts, t-shirt and plimsolls or trainers. If your child has their ears pierced, please ensure that they are able to remove the earrings themselves, if they cannot, they must bring in tape to cover their earrings. The PE kit will stay in school in your child's locker.

Homework: Each week your child will bring home spelling words to learn and they will be tested every Monday. It is important that they learn to spell these words in order to improve their spelling knowledge. English and Maths basic skills will be sent home in a folder on a Friday and should be returned as soon as completed and by no later than the following Thursday. Spellings will be sent out on a Monday and the book should be returned by the following Monday. Please encourage your child to do their best when working at home and **hand their work in on time.**

Snacks: Children in Year 3 do not have a piece of fruit provided by school. They may bring in a piece of fruit or vegetables from home to eat at playtime. Please avoid the dried, coated packets of fruit. We have a school managing allergens policy so do not allow any nut products in school. Please remember this when packing snacks or lunch for your child.

Water bottles: Children should drink throughout the day, therefore please send a named water bottle into school each Monday so that your child can have water in the classroom. We have limited space in the classroom therefore we would ask you to use the water bottle that can be purchased from the office rather than larger ones. Water bottles will come home on a Friday for washing.

First aid: If your child has a head injury they will receive a note in their bag as well as wear a wrist-band. If it is a more serious injury we will phone you.

Topic Information for Parents

English

'Coming to England' by Floella Benjamin

Throughout this half term children will begin to write in the first person. Children will begin to use apostrophes in contractions. Provide detail through use of prepositions to express time, place and cause. Children will use their prior knowledge of tenses and write in consistent past and present tense. Children will learn and understand the importance of layout and structure of a letter incorporating paragraphs. Ensure chronological order to explain sequence of events. These skills will lead to an independent piece of writing to write letters from Floella to her Grandmother telling her about settling into life in the UK.

'Nen and the Lonely Fisherman' by Ian Eagleton and James Mayhew

Throughout the term children will use conjunctions to express time, place and Cause. They will use adverbs to express time. They will use a or an according to whether the next word begins with a vowel or consonant. In narratives, the children will create characters, settings and plot. Lastly, children will start to use inverted commas to punctuate direct speech. This will all lead to writing a fantasy story based on a classic tale, changing the setting.

Maths — The following topics will be covered during the term. Place value, money notation, place value addition and subtraction, telling the time, shape symmetry, fractions, multiplication/division and their relationship.

Geography — Land Use - Describe and understand the human and physical features of our local area. Children will sketch maps and use a key. Topic words include rural and urban.

History — Vikings—The children will learn who the Vikings were as well as when and where they raided and settled. They will learn about significant events from the period and order these chronologically on a timeline. The children will find out about the Anglo-Saxon kings who ruled during the 'Viking Age' and examine their influence and significance in British history.

Science — Forces and Magnets / Keeping Healthy

PE — Netball/OAA/Handball/Tag Rugby

RE — Where, How and Why do people Worship? / How do festivals and worship show what matter to Muslims?

Art — Autumn

DT— Nutrition—Understand & apply principles of a healthy and varied diet. We will make Pesto Pasta.

PSHE — Relationships / My body

Year 3 events this term:

Thursday 14th September 9am — Rowan class meeting for parents. We will discuss the routines and expectations for the year. There is an opportunity to ask questions. Please let us have the questions in advance.

Wednesday 11th October—Faith Tour

Monday 6th November—3.30-6.30pm—Parent consultation meetings

Thursday 9th November—8am-10:30am—Parent consultation meetings

Please note that whole school/key stage events will be published with the school newsletter.

Values: The values that we will be learning about this term are:-

September—Respect

October—Responsibility

November— Independence

December— Patience

It is always lovely to hear how children are living the values out of school. Please drop us a line when you witness your child demonstrating one of our values and we will celebrate this.