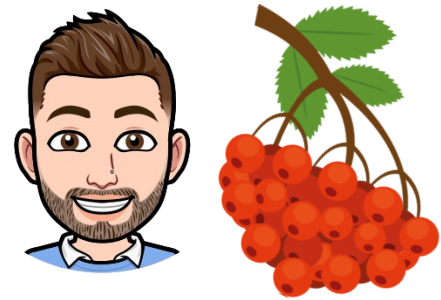


Rowan Class Parent Information

Autumn Term 2023

Welcome to Rowan Class!



I hope you have all had a lovely summer making memories and having lots of fun ready for our first term in Rowan Class! We've got lots of exciting topics coming up this term with a lot to cover!

Please see the school website and visit the Rowan Class page for the topic homework for this term. Don't forget to check the blog and see what we are up to. QR codes can be found in your child's diary for quick access.

I am available at the start or end of the school day if you have any questions or concerns. However, an appointment can be made if you would prefer a more discreet conversation. We will be using home/school diaries for communication too, which will be checked daily, so please ensure they are in school every day and checked at home.

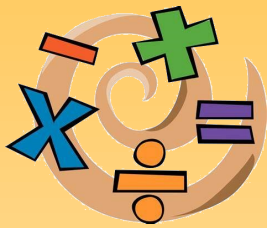
I am really looking forward to moving into Rowan Class with you all and can't wait to get started!

Mr Elliott



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Mathematics

During the Autumn term our Year 3 objectives include...

- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Further Multiplication and Division
- Length
- Mass

During the Autumn term our Year 4 objectives include...

- Number and Place Value to 10,000
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Further Multiplication and Division

Please support your children by ensuring that they are completing their maths homework activities each week, these will be set online this term using Mathletics. Your child also has access to TT Rockstars which they should be accessing regularly to practice their times tables.

English

During the Autumn term, children will develop their reading and writing skills.

Children will build their fluency and understanding of various texts in small groups during weekly Guided Reading sessions. They will receive weekly spellings to practise as part of our No Nonsense Spelling scheme and will have daily sessions in class too. Children will also receive daily Handwriting practise lessons too to help develop the cursive writing style. In our English lessons we will cover the following genres this term:

- Narrative (Story Writing)
- Poetry
- Explanations
- Diaries
- Descriptive Writing



What are we learning about this term?

Lost in the Jungle

In **Geography**, we will explore biome/climate of tropical rainforests and where these are located in the world.

In **Art**, we will use a range of natural materials eg leaves and bark to create prints.

Up the Beanstalk

In **Science**, we will explore structure of flowering plants and investigate the function of each part.

Rattle my Bones

In **Science**, we will learn about nutrition and the various roles of a skeleton/muscles.

In **DT**, we will create a moving skeleton.

What a Saga!

In **History**, we will use a range of sources to compare different eras/understand different representations of past, with a focus on the Vikings.

Queen of Snow

In **Art**, we will experiment with a range of brushes and mix paint to produce secondary colours and tints, tones and shades.

RE - We will explore - What is the Trinity?

PSHE - We will explore - Me and My School and Me and My Relationships.

PE - PE will be on Thursday and Friday each week. Please ensure PE kits are worn to school on these days and that jewellery is removed for health and safety reasons. Water bottles should be in school daily.

Computing - We will explore - Connecting Computers and Stop Frame Animation

Music - Music will be led each week by Miss Thornton and will link to our topic work.



Homework Expectations

You will receive a homework sheet with the topic homework for the first half of the Autumn Term (this can also be found on the school website). Please complete 4 each half term. Bring your completed homework activity in on Thursday. Your child will have the opportunity to share their work with the class.

Weekly Maths homework tasks will be set using Mathletics. Please ensure this is completed weekly. Please read for 5-10 minutes with your child at home each day and record this in their diary.

Important information for the Autumn Term.

Weekly PE Lessons: (Thursday and Friday)

PE will be on **Thursday** and **Friday** throughout the Autumn term. On these days please ensure that your child comes to school wearing **suitable school PE kit** (see [uniform policy](#) for further details). We will continue with outdoor PE lessons so therefore your child needs to be dressed suitably (this includes **suitable footwear**). On these days, please can you also ensure that **all jewelry is removed** (including watches and earrings). Named water bottles should be in school daily and can be refilled throughout the day.



Weekly Outdoor Learning Activities: (Mondays, until Half Term)

Mrs Jones will be running our Outdoor Learning sessions each week, therefore, in order for this to take place the children will need to be dressed appropriately. Our Outdoor Learning session for the Autumn 1 term will be on a **Monday**. Your child should come to school in suitable outdoor clothing and you will need to bring a **waterproof coat** and **suitable footwear** e.g. a pair of wellies or walking boots. You are welcome to leave wellies/walking boots in school as we will be using them for playtime and lunchtimes on the field during the week. We will try and complete the Outdoor Learning activities in all weather conditions so please consider this with regards to suitable, warm, waterproof clothing and footwear.

