



Rowan SPRING Newsletter 2018



Welcome back,

I hope you have had a good Christmas and New Year. Here are a few reminders for this term:

PE

The children will develop skills in dance and tag rugby this term.

Please can you ensure your child has the correct kit. Our school prospectus suggests:

Plimsolls, trainers for outdoor P.E., navy shorts, joggers for outdoor P.E., team colour T-shirt, team colour sweatshirt and P.E. bag

Even if the weather is cold, we will still be going outside, so it is important that children have the correct outdoor kit. Plimsolls are needed for indoor PE for safety. Please check they still fit your child.

Jewellery must not be worn for PE and long hair needs to be tied back, away from the face.

PE will be taught on Tuesday by Mrs Dougill and Thursday by Mrs Tubb.



SATs Assessments

During May 2018 all Year 2 children will be taking assessments in Reading, Mathematics, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. Please ensure your child has the best possible attendance at school.

Homework

Homework will continue to be issued on Fridays and will consist of activities the children have recently covered in class. This should be handed in by the following Thursday. However, children should feel free to hand homework in earlier if it has been completed and will be given house points for homework returned on a Monday and for neatness / effort overall. To prevent children from falling behind, any child who has not completed and handed in their homework by Thursday will unfortunately have to do it at lunchtime.

Homework should be completed in pencil. Please do not use biro or felt tips for writing.



Spring Curriculum

Science: Living Things and their Habitats

Geography: The World

History: Castles

DT: Shields

Computing: Questioning and Effective Searching

RE: Belonging to a Christian Community

PSHE: Road and Water Safety

French: Body Parts

Music : Exploring pulse, rhythm and pitch

Art: Printing, 3D clay (taught by Mrs Fenton, Mrs Guilliat and Mrs Wesley)



Reading

The children have a home reading book. Use your child's reading record book to sign and comment every time you have heard them read. Please read at least 3 times a week.

It is really important to spend time listening to your child read.

Children must bring in their home reading book each day as they will often read during independent sessions after lunch.

To support good reading, rewards are given at the end of every week and half term.

If possible, read a more challenging book together. Fiction books take you to places you've never been before and enhance imagination. Many facts can be learnt from non-fiction books. Read a variety of texts, such as recipes or comic books.

Reading regularly will also improve writing skills! It teaches grammar, sentence structure and will extend your child's vocabulary.



Spelling

The children will receive weekly spellings. We would like the children to learn the spellings using the 'Read, Look, Cover, Write and Check' strategy. The spellings will be spelling patterns and Y2 Common Exception Words. The children will need to be able to spell these for most of their writing. The children will be assessed on a Monday. Incorrect spelling patterns will be tested each day until correct.

Date for your Diary

Class Assembly:

Friday 9th February 2018. It will start at approximately 2.45pm.

We would love to see you.

Reminders

Monday:	Reading book and record Spellings tested
Tuesday:	Reading book and record PE kit
Wednesday:	Reading book and record
Thursday:	Last day to hand in homework Reading book and record PE kit
Friday:	Reading book and record Homework sent home

Medication

If your child requires any medication please speak to myself or Mrs Baxter as soon as possible so that we can be well informed of your child's individual needs.



Snacks

The children will continue to receive a free piece of fruit or vegetable every play time.



Remember

Further information can be found on our school website

<http://www.cowley.lincs.sch.uk/> or the mySchoolApp

We also regularly update our class page with photographs.

If you have any concerns, please pop in for a chat.

Thank you, Mrs Tubb and Mrs Fenton

