



Rowan Summer Newsletter



Welcome back,

I hope you have had a good Easter break. Here are a few reminders for this term:

SATs Assessments

During May 2017 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.

PE

This term children will develop skills in gymnastics, rounders and athletics.

Please ensure your child has the correct kit and that it still fits.

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

It is important that children have the correct indoor and outdoor kit. Plimsolls are needed for indoor PE for safety.

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

PE continues to be taught on Wednesday and Thursday.



Homework

Homework will continue to be issued on Fridays and will consist of activities the children have recently covered in class.

During April and May your child will be receiving SATs style questions. I recently gave you a SATs parents pack with advice, top tips and examples of questions. If you have any further questions, please feel free to come and speak to me.

Remember homework should be handed in by the following Thursday. However, children should feel free to hand homework in earlier if it has been completed. 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.



Snacks

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

Summer Curriculum

Science: Plants and Animals, including Humans

Geography: Britain and Lincolnshire

History: Famous Queens

DT: Healthy Meal

Computing: The Internet and E-Safety

RE: The Torah and the Bible

PSHEE: Healthy Lifestyles

French: Food (taught by Miss Gore)

Music : Exploring timbre, tempo, dynamics and sound (taught by Miss Gore)

Art: Painting a Tudor Rose and drawing an orb (taught by Mrs Fenton, Mrs Guillatt and Mrs Wesley)



Reading

The children have a home reading book. Please use your child's reading record book to sign and comment every time you have heard them read.

It is really important to spend time asking your child about the text before, during and after they have read to check understanding. This can be done by asking questions or writing down questions (like in the SATs papers and comprehension questions in homework)

The more that children read – the better they will become!

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.

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



Spelling

The children will continue to have a spelling book. We would like the children to learn the spellings using the 'Read, Look, Cover, Write and Check' strategy. The spellings will be 'high frequency words' which means that the children will need to be able to spell these for most of their writing. The children will be assessed on a Tuesday.

When possible, go back and test your child on previous pages. Can they place the word into a sentence, spelt correctly?

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.



Date for your Diary

Class Assembly:

Friday 30th June 2017. It will start at approximately 2.45pm.

We would love to see you.

Reminders

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

Remember

Further information, updates and photographs can be found on our school website <http://www.cowley.lincs.sch.uk/> or the mySchoolApp



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

Thank you, Mrs Tubb and Mrs Fenton

