

Autumn 1 – Rowan Class

Rowan Class Teaching Team: Mr. Duck and Mrs. Dobson

Class routines:

Reading books

Reading books will be changed on a **Wednesday** night and sent out on a Thursday. Your child needs to bring their reading book to school every day. Please sign and make a comment in your child's reading record after reading.

Water bottles/coats/bags

Please send your child in with a water bottle, bag and waterproof coat each day (even if it does look sunny). We do not need huge ruck-sacks, we simply do not have the space for these. The school red book bags are the best option.

Homework

Please complete at least one homework challenge each week. Work can be sent via class dojo or handed in on paper.

History:

This half-term we will be exploring flight! We will learn all about how planes have changed over time and what effect this has had on our holiday choices. We will explore how the Wright Brothers began this rapid technological change and how this led to Neil Armstrong flying to the moon. We will learn how to order events in chronological order and predict what might happen in the future.

Music:

This half-term we will learn two new songs from memory and play instruments to match a beat.

English:

This half term we will be looking at stories from the same author – Julia Donaldson. Her books are a great hit with children, and we will specifically be looking at a story involving a very mischievous rat and retelling his adventures! We will also be spending time ensuring our letters are formed and written correctly and checking all our sentences begin with a capital letter and end with a full stop.

PE:

This half-term our PE day is **Tuesday**, and our focus is on games specifically looking at sending and receiving.

Religious Education:

Judaism. We will start by looking at Judaism, where we will find out about the Jewish festival 'Sukkot' as well as reading and retelling the story of Noah's Ark.

Computing:

We will be exploring the functions of Purple Mash before moving on to creating pictures. By the end of this unit children will be able to create a digital art piece in different artistic styles.

Art

We will be looking at abstract art, exploring different landscape paintings by Kandinsky. We will be developing our line skills and looking at how to mix primary colours to create secondary colours.

Mathematics:

Year 1 will begin the year learning all about numbers to 100. We will then explore counting sets of objects and comparing amounts before finishing the half-term looking at part-whole models.

Year 2 will begin by looking at numbers 10-100 and discussing digit place value. We will use this new knowledge to help us partition numbers into tens and ones. We will end the half-term learning how to solve addition and subtraction problems with numbers up to 20.

Science:

Our Science topic will be – materials! We will be identifying the names and properties of different materials. We will become building inspectors, ensuring our school has used materials that are suitable for its purpose (hopefully so!).