

General Information

The first big change is that we are no longer Class 4 but Rowan Class! Each class has been renamed after a different British tree.

PE days will be Wednesday for everyone and, until Christmas, Y6 will be Thursdays and Y5 will swim (with Hazel Class) on a Friday afternoon. A letter about Swimming will follow shortly, first swim date Friday 16th September (next week).

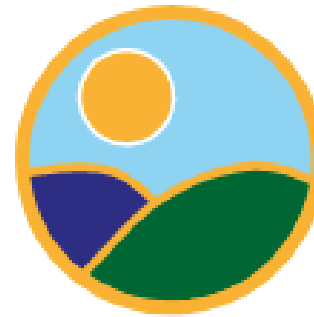
To enhance break and lunch times we would like to use our beautiful field all year round. Children should bring in wellies in a named bag to live on their peg and can change in to these whenever it is wet. If children do not have wellies they can stay on the playground when it's damp.

Homework

Homework this year will be closely related to our main topics, this term Britain at War. Pupils will have one activity to complete each week which will reinforce learning from class. In addition please read 5 times and practice TT Rockstars twice a week. Spellings will now be learnt and practiced daily in class. Homework should be handed in on Wednesdays and will be sent home on a Friday.

Our Rowan Class Routines

Autumn Term, 2023



Reading

Reading is essential for learning in all areas of the curriculum and so we will be doing lots on a day to day basis. Children will read independently and as a class. Our class novel this term is *Goodnight Mr Tom*, a classic that ties into our Britain at War topic. In addition, we would like children to read 5 times at home. They will have two books, one that is colour banded to match their reading age and a reading for pleasure book. When reading to an adult, the colour book should be read. This ensures that the reading is challenging and at their individual level. We now have books for all levels, with reading ages into year 7 and 8 if needed. We will be reviewing the children's reading ages in the coming weeks and will do so termly.

Staff

Mrs Byrne and Mrs Hallett are the main Rowan Class teaching team. Mr Mitchell will teach the class on a Tuesday afternoon and for music.