



Rowan Class—Year 3

Autumn Term 2025

Parent Information



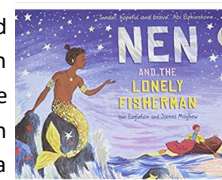
Our values this term are respect, responsibility, independence and patience

It is always lovely to hear how children are living the values out of school. Please let us know when you witness your child demonstrating one of our values and we will celebrate this in school.

English

Our books this term are 'Coming to England' by Floella Benjamin and 'Nen and the Lonely Fisherman' by Ian Eagleton and James Mayhew

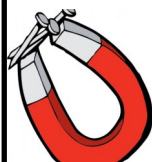
Using **Coming to England** we will learn to use and apply a range of grammar and punctuation including using prepositions to express time, place and clause, paragraphs, apostrophes in contractions and a variety of sentence forms including questions and statements. We will use specific and technical vocabulary and learn to use past tense and first person consistently to plan, structure and write a letter in chronological order. When studying **Nen and the Lonely Fisherman** the children will create characters, settings and plot and learn to use adverbs to express time. Lastly, the children will start to use inverted commas to punctuate direct speech. This will all lead to writing a fantasy story based on a classic tale, changing the setting.



Science

Forces and magnets and Animals

The children will work scientifically and collaboratively to investigate friction, magnetic materials and magnetic poles. We will learn about the nutrients that different foods provide and how these nutrients help our bodies. We will explore the different types of skeletons that animals have and compare these.



Maths

We will be learning about place value in numbers with up to 3 digits, mental and written addition and subtraction, multiplication and division (including knowledge of the 3, 4, and 8 times tables) whilst deepening their understanding of these concepts through a range of reasoning and problem solving activities.



History

Vikings and Anglo-Saxons

We will learn who the Vikings were, when and where they raided and settled. We will learn about different aspects of everyday Viking life exploring: houses, clothes and food. We will find out about the Anglo-Saxon kings who ruled during the 'Viking Age'. We will learn about the Anglo-Saxon justice system crimes, punishments and laws.



Art

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We will learn how to draw leaves in pencil and colour, create leaves by printing and paper sculptures. We will learn about the artists Henri Matisse and Paul Cezanne.

RE

We will be considering the following questions:

*Where, how and why do people worship?
How do festivals and worship show what matters to Muslims?*



Geography

Land Use

We will look at the places around us and begin to look for patterns in land use. We will become cartographers, making maps of the local area.

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Cooking and nutrition

They will learn how to cook the ingredients they are growing; following recipes and using different kitchen equipment.



PSHE

Relationships

Learn teamwork skills, being considerate of others and how to positively resolve any conflicts that occur.

It's my body

Making safer choices about their bodies, sleep and exercise, diet, cleanliness and substances.

Computing



We will learn about programming, multimedia and online safety.

French

We will learn: classroom instructions, greetings, learn how to respond to the question how are you? The children will also learn the numbers 0-10 and learn a simple Nativity.

PE

We will focus on basketball, tag rugby, dance and gymnastics.

Staff

Rowan Class will be taught by Mrs Keeble and Mrs Fulford and supported by Ms Hart.

Reading

Every child will have a reading book linked to their reading ability and a library book.

Please ensure that the children bring their reading books into school every day. They will read with an adult in school, sometimes on a one-to-one basis, sometimes in a small group and sometimes as a whole class activity.

Our weekly library slot will be a Tuesday. We encourage children to take home a library book that they are interested in, even if they cannot read it independently. If this is the case, please share the book with your child and read it to them if necessary.



Home Learning

Home Learning in Year 3 consists of:

- Reading 5 times a week at home. Our book changing days will be: **Monday, Wednesday and Friday.**
- Using Times Table Rockstars for **at least 15 minutes per week.** This is set on the website and is regularly monitored by staff.

We do not expect families to do extra home learning at home. However, if you wish to find out more about the topics overleaf, please do so. Some examples of activities that you may wish to do are:

- D.T. practice your knife skills by cutting simple fruit and vegetables. Practice following simple recipes at home.
- Research the Vikings and make a poster of key facts you have found out.
- Look at maps of the UK and the local area and create your own.

We will also be sending home a half termly spelling sheet. If you would like to practise spellings with your child at home this half term, please select words from the lists provided. These lists are taken from the key vocabulary your child will need to spell accurately in their work at school. There will be no tests on these words but we look forward to seeing the words spelt correctly in the children's independent writing.

Daily routines



Children should arrive between 8:45 and 9am. Children will enter the classroom, put away their belongings and start the morning activity. The register will close at 9am.

PE kit

Our PE days are **Thursdays and Fridays.**

On PE days, children should come to school wearing their full PE kit. This helps us make the most of lesson time. Please ensure that your child is in the correct kit as follows:

Navy or black shorts only, Round neck Tee shirt in house colours.

Trainers for Y1-4 (for support purposes). Plimsolls suitable for Reception only.

Black or navy tracksuit bottoms and hoodie/jumper may be worn for outdoor PE.



Water bottles and snack/lunches



Children may bring in a named water bottle so they can drink throughout the day. The bottles will be sent home for washing every Friday and should be returned on Monday morning.

Morning snacks should be a healthy choice of fruit or vegetables. We have a school managing allergens policy so do not allow any nut products in school. Please remember this when packing snacks or lunch for your child.



First aid



If your child has a head bump, they will be given a wristband to wear and they will receive an incident slip. This will be placed in their book bag informing you of the incident and the first aid administered. If it is a more serious injury we will phone you immediately.