

Rowan Class Newsletter

September 2017



Dear Parents or Guardians

Welcome back, I hope you all had a lovely summer break and are ready for some fantastic learning in Year One.

Within Literacy we will be reading the story 'The snail and the whale' and learning all about the characters and settings. We will be focussing on writing clear sentences with accurate punctuation and extending those sentences by using adjectives and conjunctions. There will be lots of opportunities for children to explore different genres and create their own pieces of writing.

Our Maths work will begin by learning all about number and thinking about one more and one less and which numbers are greater than or less than. We will then move onto addition and subtraction and children will be able to use these skills through problem solving and investigation activities.

This term we are starting a topic called 'Home Sweet Home'. We will be learning about how houses change over time and the children will get to create a fact file based on what they have learnt about Victorian houses. In Science we will be learning about materials and their properties.

From September 2017 Religious Education (RE) will be following the Kent Agreed Syllabus (KAS) which incorporates the new resource "Understanding Christianity". Each unit has a key question which is developed over a school term. Key questions are also being developed for other faiths that are part of the KAS. In Terms 1 and 2 our key questions to explore are: What do Christians believe that God is like? Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

Your child's homework will be linked with a topic we have covered within class. It could be Literacy, Maths, Phonics or Topic related. The homework will be sent out on a Friday and needs to be returned the following Wednesday.

PE will be taking place on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. Please can you ensure your child had a full PE kit in school for these days. Please can earrings not been worn on these day to make changing much easier for your child.

Thank you for all of your support. If you have any questions or queries please feel free to make an appointment with me. I look forward to getting to know you and your child throughout the year.

Kind Regards,

Miss Rockingham - Rowan Class Teacher