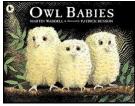


Welcome back!

All children have returned to school full of energy and ideas and ready to learn.

Literacy

This term we are beginning the Power of Reading. Our focus book will be Owl Babies By Martin Waddell.



The children will be acting out the story, exploring feelings and writing captions and sentences. We will be working hard on thinking of ideas to write and using their sounds and word knowledge to begin to write sentences that we can read!

Maths

We will be expecting the children to count and recognize numbers to 15. We will also be working on combining numbers and recalling simple number bonds eg: 5 is made up of 3 and 2.

We will also be working developing prepositional language such as *behind*, *in front*, *next to*, *in*, *on and under*. By using these words at home, you can support your child's understanding.

P.E

This term we are doing gymnastics. **ALL** children need to bring in a T-shirt and shorts or footless tights to wear. They need to put these in a bag which will stay at school until our half term

Rowan Class P

holiday.

Family Friday

We will continue with Family Fridays. This includes activities to support your child's learning and overall development. We try to include activities or tips for how you can support your child at home.

Class Assembly

Our class assembly will be on **Wednesday 7th February at 10:15am**. It would be lovely if you could come watch and support your child.

Reading Homework

Our focus this term is reading. We will expect all children to be reading for 5-10 minutes almost every day. This can include their reading books, little green word books and the tricky words at the back of their sound charts. We are now doing individual reading. Please make sure that their reading pack is always in their book bag. Please sign or comment in your child's reading record, so that we know you have read.

Home-school Learning

Only a few children completed some of the home school learning that was sent home in the Autumn term. This is homework and it is an extension of the learning that we are doing at school. It is

expected that most of the activities are done and handed in before the end of the half term.

Music Project

Soon our Reception pupils will be involved in an exciting music project fun by Creative Futures. This will include storytelling and drama and will run for 10 weeks.

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How to help at home:

Ask your child what they did at school

Reading to your child at home every day is one of the most valuable ways of helping them learn. They will enjoy listening to you read their library books to them. Your child could help to read small words within these books.

Talk to your child about where you live, the features of your home, door number etc..

Compare numbers. Use words like eg 5 is more and 2 is less because 5 comes after 2.

We always need your junk!

Please send in empty boxes, yogurt pots and lids or any unwanted wool; ribbons; wrapping paper, envelopes for the children to use in the making area.

Curriculum

Attached to the back of this letter is the half term plan which outlines the areas of learning we will be addressing throughout the half-term and below is a timetable showing what your child will need to bring into school:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Activities in school			Library		Family Friday
					P.E
					Reading pack sent out
Your child will need	Book bag	Book bag	Book bag	Book bag	Book bag
			Library book	Return reading pack & word book	PE kit