

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome to the first Upper Key Stage 2 newsletter of the academic year. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back in to school this week and we are pleased to report that they are settling into their new classes and routines well and working hard.

Our first newsletter will hopefully provide children and their families with all the important housekeeping information needed for the action-packed term ahead.



Our School Day

- 08:30 - Doors open
- 08:35 - Doors close and registers taken
 - Morning challenge and interventions

Children may bring a fruit or vegetable snack to school for break time. Milk is also available for those who have ordered it through 'Cool Milk'.

15:00 - End of school day. Children may leave school unaccompanied if a disclaimer form has been signed.

- 04.09 - Rowan Library Visit
- 05.09 - Larch Library Visit
 - Sycamore Library Visit
- 19.09 - Percussion Workshop @ Alnwick Playhouse
- 22.09 - Teacher-led Clubs start (x8 weeks)
- 24.09 - Photographs
- 26.09 - 70th Celebration Day
- 09.10 - Harvest Festival
- 15.10 - Larch Family Lunch

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- 03.11 - Teacher Training Day
- WC 03.11 Consultations
- WC 10.11 Consultations
- 26.11 - Sycamore Family Lunch
- 27.11 - Rowan Assembly
- 17.12 - Christmas lunch and parties
- 18.12 - Christingle

Important Dates

Weekly Homework

All children have been assigned to a group on Google Classroom, our online homework platform, and will be given copies of their passwords to take home.

During the Autumn term, they will be set the following weekly tasks:

- Maths or English activity (Google)
- Reading (Reading Plus)
- Spellings (Spelling Frame)
- Mental Maths (TTRS)

From the week commencing 8th September, homework tasks will be set on a Monday and children will have 6 days to complete and submit them. If your child experiences any difficulties accessing their homework, please contact their class teacher for further support and guidance. Spaces at iLearning may also be available to support with homework.

PE Days

Children should come to school in their PE kit and trainers on a Monday.

Children in Sycamore will also need to wear their PE kit and trainers on a Tuesday.

Children in Larch and Rowan will need their swimming kits on a Tuesday.

School shoes should be worn on non-PE days.

Please ensure that earrings, gel nails and makeup are not worn for school.

Library

Classes visit the school library each week. Please encourage your child to read their chosen book at home and then swap it on the following days:

Rowan - Tuesday
Larch - Thursday
Sycamore - Monday

Children can also access many fabulous online texts using MyON.

Important Items

All children have been provided with a stationery pack so please keep personal items safe at home. We politely request that mobile phones also remain at home, apart from in exceptional circumstances.

Your child will need to bring a named water bottle containing water, not juice, and a waterproof coat to school each day.

Please also ensure that your child has a pair of named wellies or outdoor shoes available in school at all times for playtime as well as outdoor learning activities. Thank you!

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