

Rowan Group - Summer Term

Dear Parent,

In this flyer you will find information about some of the topics we will be working on this term, and ways in which you can support their learning at home. There is also a timetable and a list of related requirements.

Our topic this term is **Animals**

What we will do in school...

What you could do together at home...

Science

We will look at animals and their young, places where animals live, names and appearance of animals. We will go on trips to local farms, the garden centre to look at the fish and pet shops. We also have the annual trip to Whipsnade Zoo

Play lotto games with animal sounds. Play lotto games with pictures of animals. Visit local farms with animal petting areas. Make art pictures of different animals. Play with a farm toy set. When out and about point out and name any animals you see.

Literacy

Our focus this term is handwriting skills, sounding out words and role play. The focus in role play is communication - exchanges, engaging with adults, using subject + verb + object, using words for different situations.

Play role play games for example shopping, going to the doctor or using the telephone.

Practise fine motor skills, write shopping list or write postcards to family members. Use threading cards and beads.

PSHE

The focus is on working with others and playing jointly with peers. The class will play games in pairs and small groups. The class will use visual supports to make a sentence using subject + verb + object.

At play parks, encourage waiting and turn taking. Sit together and play simple board games to practice turn taking. Play Pop Up Pirate, Mr Potato Head and Buckaroo to practise verbs - give, put, drop, play, pull and push.

Maths

We will sort, match, name and make patterns with 2D & 3D shapes. We will use money to make transactions. Also, sort, match and name different coins. For number, we will add and subtract in different contexts.

Play games with 3D shape building blocks. Name the shapes they are playing with. Find examples of shapes in the house and name them i.e. circle for the washing machine door window. Sort and match coins using clear pots. Buy an item in a local shop and hand over the coin for the item.

Please note:



Swimming - every Friday

Rowan Group will be going swimming at the Wolverton pool on Fridays. Please send your child into school every Friday with:

- a swimming costume/trunks
- a towel
- in a bag that is large enough for them to put all their clothes into.

PSHE and Topic - every Monday

We will continue to go to a local supermarket on Monday afternoons to buy snack food items. On occasional Monday afternoons we will go out on the minibus for a Topic related trip.

Spare Clothes

Your child will have opportunities to engage in sensory activities including messy play with water, sand, paint, etc. Although the children are encouraged to wear aprons, accidents do happen! Please send a spare set of clothes for your child in case they should need to change.



Home-School Book

We will try to write in the home-school book every day to let you know what your child has been doing, what they have eaten, how they have been, and anything else we think you would like to hear about their day. We will also put important letters in the book. **Please read the book every day.**

Please feel free to write what your child has been up to at home, any new achievements and any concerns or questions you may have. If your child has missed breakfast, or had a bad night's sleep - please let us know so that we can care for them accordingly.

Thank you for taking the time to read this flyer. If you have any other queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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And the Rowan Team