

Rowan Group Update

Dear Parent,

We hope you had a good Easter.

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 **Growing and Changing**

What we will do in school...

What you could do together at home...

Science & Humanities

We will be planting seeds and observing and caring for the plants and vegetables as they grow. We will look at pictures of people at different stages of growing up i.e. baby to adult.

Help your child to plant seeds and care for growing plants at home.

Sit and look at family photographs and encourage them to find themselves in the photographs.

Literacy

We will encourage the children to share Oxford Reading Tree books to answer 'what' and 'who' questions.

We will listen to and respond to rhymes and poems.

Share stories with your child and look at the pictures together. See if your child can name different items and people in the stories. Read *Room on the Broom*, *Going on a Bear Hunt* and other stories with rhyming words. Help your child to copy actions from the stories.

Art & DT

We will explore the use of different textures of materials. In cooking lessons we will learn how to make picnic food.

Sit together and colour in pictures with crayons and poster paints. Make sandwiches together with different fillings.

PSHE

We will help the children to recognise their feelings, and to express them.

Label your child's emotions as they display them. For instance, tell them they look happy when they are smiling.

Maths

We will practice copying simple patterns. Also, we will practice sorting objects by different characteristics. Some of us will practice simple subtraction.

Point out objects by type, for example car, train, flower.

Sort the toys they play with by type, for example wheels, dolls, puzzles, balls, colouring.

Attached is a copy of the timetable. Please note:



Swimming - every Thursday

Rowan Group will be going swimming at Woughton Pool on Thursdays. Please send your child into school every Thursday with:

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



PE - every Tuesday and Friday

Please send a PE kit (any comfortable shorts and T-shirt) in a bag to keep in school. We will send it home every half-term for you to wash.

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 - *Gabriel, Charlotte, Rhia*