

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 healthy snack to school for break time. Please make sure this is nut free. Milk will also be available at break for those who have ordered it.

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

- 09.09 - Larch Library Visit
- 11.09 - Rowan Library Visit
- 18.09 - Sycamore Library Visit
- 23.09 - Teacher-led Clubs start (x8 weeks)
- 03.10 - People Make Alnwick Poetry Project
- 17.10 - Harvest Festival
- 23.10 - Larch Family Lunch

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- 04.11 - Teacher Training Day
- WC 04.11 Consultations
- WC 11.11 Consultations
- 21.11 - Rowan Assembly
- 28.11 - Sycamore Family Lunch
- 18.12 - Christmas lunch and parties
- 19.12 - 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
- Reading (Reading Plus)
- Spellings (Spelling Frame)
- Mental Maths (TTRS)

From the week commencing 9th 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 will need to come to school in their outdoor PE kits on a Friday.

Children in Sycamore will also need to wear their school PE kit on a Tuesday during Autumn (1).

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

Please ensure that earrings are not worn

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 - Monday
Larch - Tuesday
Sycamore - Friday

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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