



Homework will be used to support the children's learning as follows:

Subject	Requirement
Reading	Please encourage your child to read every night. Your child's reading book will come home every day. Children can change their reading book once they have read it 3 times if on a book banded colour and once if a free reader.
Spellings	Spellings will be given on a Monday and practised in school during the week. A copy of the spellings will also come home on a Monday for children to practise for a spelling quiz on Friday .
Maths Times tables	Towards the end of Year 4 the national 'Multiplication Check' test will take place. We are doing daily challenges and practising tables' facts in class. Please do as much as you can at home, even if it is singing them in the car on the way to school! The Times Tables Rockstar website is also an enjoyable and fun way to practise.
Topic	Each term there will be a list of activities along with a booklet to complete them in. Please aim to complete at least 1 per term and bring it in by Friday 3rd December to show the class. If you do other topic learning and would like to share it with the class, please email photos or files to rowan@brinkworthearldanbys.wilts.sch.uk to share it with the class. We love seeing your learning!
Purple Mash	Please encourage your child to have a go at the different assigned activities available on this website. New activities will be put on each term. Each child has their own username and password but if you have any problems accessing this please let us know.

We would be very grateful for any parent helpers to come in and hear readers. Please contact the office for more details.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us.

A Quick Reminder - WE ARE AN ALLERGY AWARE AND NUT FREE SCHOOL - please ensure that you do not send in any nut or sesame products.

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Rowan Class Newsletter Autumn 2021 Term 1



Welcome back to Autumn Term 1!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Rowan class and hope you all had a lovely summer. This term our teaching team in Rowan Class will consist of Mrs Griffiths and Mrs Bance (Monday - Friday mornings).

Invasion (Autumn Term 1 and 2)

We will study the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings in detail, examining their reasons for invading, their settlements and their everyday life. We will also look at monasteries and the Anglo-Saxon legacy. We will consider how we know about life in this period and investigate the Sutton Hoo ship burial. We will learn about Athelstan, an Anglo-Saxon king (buried in Malmesbury Abbey) including what happened after his death. We will learn about Alfred the Great and develop our weaving skills before ending the project by learning about the Norman invasion of 1066.

P.E. lessons will be on Mondays run by Steven a specialist P.E. coach. Please could you make sure your child comes to school in their kit on this day.

English

Poetry, playscripts, Norse myths, Non-chronological reports, travel brochure and diary writing.

Reading comprehension.

Spelling and Grammar

Reading-The Saga of Erik the Viking by Terry Jones

Viking Invasion-I was there by Stuart Hill

Usborne illustrated Norse Myths by Alex Frith

Computing

Research skills - researching Sutton Hoo and natural dyes. Word processing-poems.

PowerPoint.

Data handling using Microsoft Excel.

Internet safety.

Computing skills - logging on to a network, saving, printing, saving work and shutting down.

Maths

Times tables and Quick Maths daily plus:

Please see separate attachment

History/Geography

Anglo-Saxons and Vikings

Invasions, settlements, everyday life, monasteries, Sutton Hoo ship burial, King Athelstan, Norman invasion of 1066, Viking place names, Alfred the Great.

PE

Specialist PE coach
Dodgeball/Team games

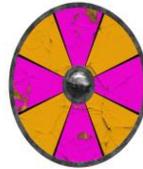
Science

How do Vikings and Anglo-Saxons dye their clothes?

Why do cat's eyes glow at night?

Invasion

Terms 1 and 2



PSHE

Me and my relationships

Valuing differences

French

First conversations

R.E.

Christian Value: Friendship

Creation and Science:
conflicting or complementary?

Art & D.T.

Anglo-Saxon and Viking shields
Clay Viking faces
Weaving

Contrast and complement project about colour theory by studying the colour wheel and colour mixing