



Welcome to Rowan Class!



We hope you have had a lovely time over the summer and we are sure you are now ready to start the new school year, so welcome to Rowan Class - Year 5!

We are looking forward to getting to know you and working together so that we have a very exciting and productive year. We hope that you enjoy the new challenges and approaches to learning that Year 5 has to offer. Please arrive on the yard at **9:00am** to enter our classroom. You can be collected from the yard to go home at **3:10pm**.

Transition from Year 4 to Year 5

Our aim is to ensure that everyone experiences a smooth transition from Year 4 to Year 5. The Year 5 curriculum builds upon and extends the experiences that you have had in Year 4. We know we haven't had an opportunity to complete the usual transition activities which happen in July, however we will be spending the first three days getting to know each other and completing transition activities. We are really looking forward to welcoming our class back on Wednesday 2nd September. Please don't hesitate to email us if you have any questions or queries. Our email addresses are: a.brown101@aycliffvillage.durham.sch.uk and l.o'neil357@aycliffvillage.durham.sch.uk

Mrs Brown and Miss O'Neil

Reading in Year 5

You will be reading with an adult during the first or second week of the Autumn Term. We will ensure you have the correct reading book band colour to start the year. Reading book band levels might not change straight away as you have had time out of school and we need to ensure we assess correctly before this happens. You will have many opportunities to read and enjoy books throughout each week. We will have daily guided reading sessions in class and you may receive additional reading sessions outside of guided reading lessons. We will still have a class reading challenge chart to record and monitor reading at home!

Maths and English in Year 5

We will have daily English and Maths lessons in school. Additional Maths and English support may be provided if you need this in certain areas. We will be teaching the Year 5 curriculum, however there may be gaps to fill with missing knowledge from when school was closed. We will take this into account when planning and preparing lessons.

We will still have the Times Table Rock Stars challenge to complete, so you could continue with this over the Summer holidays!

General Reminders for next term...

- You will be doing **PE** on **Mondays** and **Thursdays**. Please ensure you wear your PE kit to school on those days and that all items are clearly labelled with your full name.
- Any letters or reply slips that need to be brought into school can be put into your book bag. You will be encouraged to check them each morning and hand things in.
- You should only bring a coat, book bag and water bottle to school each day. Water bottles are going to be kept in your water bottle. They will be sent home daily for cleaning.