

Aston Rowant Church of England VA Primary School

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Welcome Booklet



*Year 3 and Year 4
Fox Class
Mrs Healy*

Growing together we inspire each other to achieve our full potential as courageous lifelong learners

'Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him' Colossians 2:7

G GRATITUDE
R RESILIENCE
O OUTREACH
W WONDER
T TRUST
H HARMONY

Welcome

A warm welcome to Fox Class! We are looking forward to working with you and your child this academic year. In partnership with you, the team will support, challenge, and encourage your child to reach his/her full potential and to develop a love of learning.

The Staff

The key adults in Squirrel Class are:

Mrs Healy
Mrs France
Mrs Uhart, Mrs Marriott & Miss Williams

Teacher
Thursday mornings
Teaching Assistants

The Curriculum

We teach on a two-yearly cycle to allow for our mixed age classes. This year's topics are:

Autumn term- Who do you think you are?

Spring term- Home is where the heart is

Summer term- All over the world

Each term you will receive a detailed topic web, showing how links are made to all areas of the curriculum.

Structure of the day

Most mornings are focussed on learning Maths and English and the afternoons are used for the rest of the curriculum subjects which are usually linked to our termly topic.

Here is our timetable for the Autumn term however it is subject to change.

	9:00 Notes	9:15	10:00 - 11:00		11:15 - 12:15		13:00 - 13:15		
Mon	Collective Workshop	Maths	English	B	Reading/ Spelling test	L ERIC	GEOGRAPHY/ HISTORY	COMPUTING	Reader: Mr Aldridge
Tue	Maths	English	R	PE	U ERIC	Collective Workshop	SCIENCE		Tuneful Tuesdays PM - individual
Wed	Maths	English	E	Reading	N ERIC	Collective Workshop	FRENCH	MUSIC	CW: Open the Book Well-being Wed Staff Meeting Maths: Mrs Nicola Higgs
Thu	RE	PSHE	A	PE	C ERIC	Class Assembly	Maths	English	Class Assembly (Time for Children to share <u>500</u> external achievements)
Fri	Maths	English	K	Forest School	H Cross		ART/DT	Celebration Assembly	Forest Friday Celebration Assembly (celebration of work and values)

Presentation, Handwriting and Effort

We have high expectations of all the children and expect them to work to the best of their ability, producing work which they feel proud of. If work is produced below the level expected for the particular child then they will be asked to complete the task again. Please support us by insisting on high standards of presentation when your child is completing their homework.

Snacks and Water

Please ensure that all snack pots and water bottles are labelled. If children drink all their water, they are always helped to refill their bottle.

Assessment

During June, children in year 4 will sit the Multiplication Tables check. It is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times table questions. Your child will be able to answer 3 practice questions before taking the actual check. They will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete. Please support your child by taking time and practising and using the Times Tables Rockstars app, Login details are inside the Homework book.

Homework

Homework will be set from Monday 11th September. Clear instructions are set out on the first page of the homework book. Homework will be set in Maths and English and will be linked to work done in class. In addition, there is a topic homework which enables children to demonstrate their creativity. This homework is due in on the last week before the half term holiday. Please support your child as much as you can to make homework a rewarding and fun experience. It is a great way for you to get an insight into their learning. We always appreciate a quick comment on how your child got on with the task. Be as creative as you like and have fun together.

Spellings

The spellings that we set are linked to the statutory spellings for this year group. Please help your child to practise the spellings on the grid. The spellings for the whole of the half term can be found on the website. We will do an informal spelling check on the words each Monday. What is more important than getting the spellings correct in the spelling check, is being able to spell the words accurately in their writing. It is a good idea to revise words from previous weeks every so often to keep them fresh.

Reading

Reading little and often is so important for children. We would encourage you to read for at least 15 minutes each day. The children have been issued with a suitable book. Please encourage your child to re-read the books over the week (maybe a few days apart) to gain confidence and fluency. When we listen to the children read in school, we will write a short comment in the reading record and we would like you to do this too, please.

Communication with Teachers

We are keen to work together to support your children reach their full potential and also look after their wellbeing. If there is anything you think we should know, or anything you would like to discuss then please do use our class email fox@aston-rowant.oxon.sch.uk or book a phone call via the office.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Healy