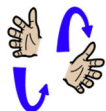


## Core signs for our topic this term.



Our topic this term is 'Ready Steady Grow!', here are some related signs for you to practice.

vegetables



water



flowers



sun



grow



soil



Don't forget to say the words as you sign!



Rowan Class

Information  
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Term 5  
2026

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### Class Teacher and TAs:

Emily McCormack (Class Teacher)  
Lorna Cutler (Teaching Assistant)  
Jane O'Sullivan (Teaching Assistant)  
Michaela Wallis (Teaching Assistant)  
Charlotte Conway (Teaching Assistant)

### Regular events:

PE Enrichment—Every Tuesday PM—Parachute Games

Swimming—Thursday AM. Please make sure pupils bring in their swim kits for this day.

PE—Wednesday AM. Please make sure pupils bring in their PE kits for this day.

### Key Dates:

Bluebell Day—Saturday 25th April

Arts Week—27th April to 30th April—Rowan Class will be focusing on the country Mauritius

Bank Holiday—Monday 4th May

PE Enrichment Open Afternoon—Tuesday 12th May

Colour Run—Friday 15th May

This term our focus will be:

'Ready,  
Steady  
Grow'



### General Information:

Welcome back to Term 5 in Rowan class. This term our learning focus is 'Ready, Steady, Grow!' where we will be learning about plants and how they grow, as well as discussing human and animal growth.

### Suncream:

Hopefully, we will start to have some sunnier weather from this term. Please send in a new, named bottle of suncream for your child so it can be reapplied during the school day.

### Homework and Contact:

Please share books with your child every day. The Home/School Journals are in place for us both to write in so we can keep each other up to date about your children. If you have any questions please contact the school office or speak to one of the team when dropping off or picking up.

### Ideas for home:

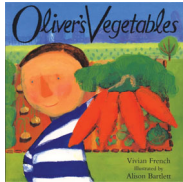
- Show your child photos and talk to them about when they were younger and how they have changed as they have grown
- Look for different plants growing in your garden, during trips out, or on your journey to school - maybe plant some seeds!
- Talk about different fruits and vegetables that you are eating and how/ where they grow

## English

In English we will be exploring a range of books featuring plants, including 'The Tiny Seed' by Eric Carle.



'Oliver's Vegetables' by Vivian French.



We will continue with our daily phonics sessions, where appropriate and apply this knowledge in our continuous provision.

## Maths

Pupils will continue to work with numbers to 20 (and beyond!), including ordering numbers and quantities. They will learn to measure objects using bricks and standard measurements, helping them to compare growth over time. They will look at positional language and dividing sets/pairs of numbers.

## Science

Pupils will be planting seeds and observing the growth over time, as well as learning what plants need to help them grow. They will find out about where fruits and vegetables come from.



## Fine Motor Skills

Rowan Class will have lots of opportunities to develop their fine motor skills. We will be using different tools to manipulate play dough. Rowan Class will have opportunities to practise gross and fine motor skills to plant different vegetables.

## Therapies

Rowan Class will be accessing

- Cleverfingers
- Write from the start
- Therapeutic Music
- Brushing
- Compressions
- Sensory Circuits
- SLIC support
- OT support

As required following observations and Assessments by our therapists

## Art and Design

In Art the pupils will be using fruit, vegetables, seeds, petals and leaves to print and create collages. They will also be exploring 3D art using playdough to make models of different plants.



## PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education)

Pupils will learn to appreciate nature and the world around them. We will be caring for plants in the classroom and explore different types of foods.

## Physical Education

Pupils will begin preparing for Sports Day by becoming familiar with key movements and target-based games they will take part in. Through practice and repetition, they will build confidence, coordination, and understanding of the activities in a supportive and enjoyable environment. Please make sure their PE kits are in school each Wednesday.

## Geography/ History

Pupils will learn about plants in different habitats, and explore plants in the school environment. They will think about changes in their own lives as they have grown.



## PE Enrichment

Each Tuesday, pupils will play parachute games outside, practising teamwork and taking turns.

## Music

Pupils will continue to develop their musical skills through exploring percussion instruments, and a variety of tuned instruments. Pupils will be encouraged to explore at their own pace and create their own melodies.