ROWAN SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

The ROWAN Schools
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6th November 2026

It's a Banger!

Welcome Back to the Second Half of the Autumn Term!

We hope everyone enjoyed a restful and enjoyable half-term break. It is lovely to welcome our Rowan pupils back as we begin the second half of the Autumn Term, full of exciting opportunities, new experiences and plenty to look forward to!

As we settle back into school life, we will be exploring new topics, embracing fresh learning opportunities and taking on exciting academic challenges. There will be lots of opportunities for our pupils to develop their knowledge, build confidence, discover new interests and, most importantly, have fun along the way!

With Bonfire Night and fireworks celebrations just around the corner, we hope all our Rowan families enjoy a wonderful weekend. We encourage everyone to stay safe, wrap up warm and enjoy the celebrations responsibly.

And before we know it, the excitement of Christmas will begin to build! There is plenty to look forward to as we head towards the festive season, with lots of exciting activities, special moments and seasonal surprises on the horizon. We will, of course, keep you updated with all the latest news and information as our plans unfold.

So, get ready for a busy, exciting and action-packed few weeks ahead. We are looking forward to seeing our Rowan pupils thrive, learn and make lots of happy memories together.

It's going to be a real 'BANGER' of a half term!



Important Dates

- **Children In Need - Pudsey Day - Friday 13th November**
- **Christmas Events - Information coming soon**
- **Pupils Break Up - Friday 18th December (2pm finish)**



Children In Need

On Friday 13th November we are getting involved with BBC Children in Need 2026! 💛

We will be joining in with various fun Pudsey activities in school, all pupils and staff can wear something spotty on this day, a t-shirt or even a spotty accessory. Pupils can also wear PJ's, or something that makes them comfy.

No more than £1 optional donation please.

You can follow the official fundraising activities and events taking place in the lead-up to the BBC Children in Need Appeal Show on the evening of Friday 13 November 2026.

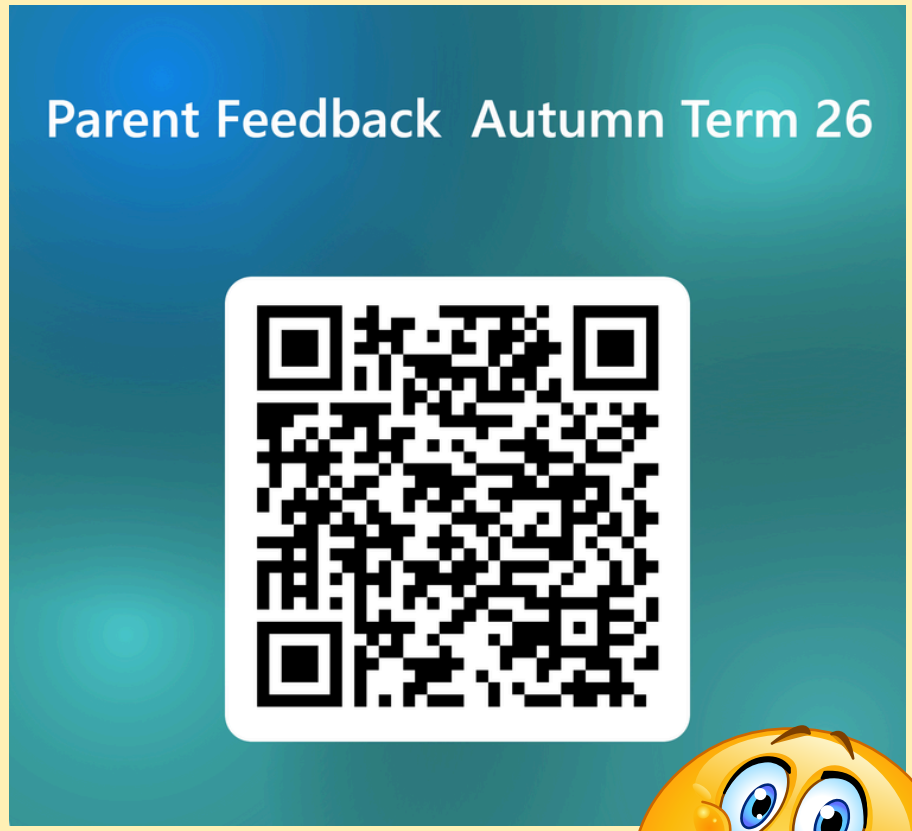
Parent Survay

Please take a moment to complete our short parent feedback survey by scanning the QR code or clicking the below link.

Your feedback is invaluable in helping us maintain high standards and identify areas where we can continue to improve.

Thank you so much for your continued support

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The Merseyview Trust School Council

Pupils from Rowan Park School and The Rowan Tree joined School Council representatives from across the Merseyview Trust for a successful and productive meeting.

It was wonderful to see all the pupils sharing their ideas, contributing enthusiastically to discussions and working together as a team. Everyone was eager to have their voice heard, and the meeting highlighted the fantastic teamwork and collaboration between our schools.

One of the key decisions made by the School Council was that all schools across the Trust would support the Alder Hey Toy Appeal. We are incredibly proud of our School Council members for choosing such a wonderful charity and for giving our school communities and families the opportunity to get involved and make a difference.

Well done to all our School Council representatives for their enthusiasm, teamwork and commitment to helping others!

You can support the Alder Hey Children's Charity by donating brand-new, unwrapped toys, games, and gifts for babies, children, and teenagers. Donations help bring comfort and festive magic to young patients year-round and during the Christmas appeal.

What to Donate

Babies & Young Children: Sensory toys, rattles, soft books, board games, jigsaws, puzzles, Lego, and Disney or Marvel toys.

Teenagers: Gift vouchers, headphones, portable speakers, self-care sets, reading books, comics, stationery, and gaming gadgets.

Comfort Items: Fuzzy socks, cosy blankets, squishmallows, and plushies.

Important Guidelines

New Items Only: All toys and gifts must be brand-new and packaged due to hospital infection control standards. Second-hand items, used clothes, and toy guns are not accepted on the wards.

Please bring any donations to the School office (Rowan Park or The Rowan Tree)

Click on the link for more details

https://www.alderheycharity.org/how-you-can-help/fundraise-for-us/donate-toys-and-gifts/

Donation Deadline is Friday 27th November.
Thank you all

Alder Hey
CHILDREN'S CHARITY

R.A.P Renewals and New Members

Re: Renewal of Rowan Adventure Park (RAP) Key Fob for period 1st October 2026 to 30th September 2027.

Existing membership was due to expire 30th September 2026, but due to technical issues we were unable to contact members, therefore, we have extended the expiry date to **Friday 13th November 2026**. To continue to use the park, you will now need to renew your membership. For your membership to continue until 30th September 2027 you will be required to pay £100.00 (cost of individual membership, i.e. for parents/carers) You can pay in 4 instalments of £25.00. Or £200.00 (for those applying for an eligible Organisation's membership).

Payments can be made by card at the School Office at Rowan Park School, Sterrix Lane, Litherland, L21 0DB .

Please complete the renewal form with your payment at Rowan Park Office. Likewise, if you no longer wish to continue your membership, please return the fob to school as soon as possible.

As the database for fob holders has been updated, we need the number from your fob to reactivate your membership. Therefore, please ensure you include this on the renewal membership form.

Renewal reminders will be sent electronically, so it is important (where possible), that you provide Rowan park Office with an up-to-date email address to enable the school to send information surrounding membership and other issues relating to the park.

If you want to call in to School to renew your membership, the Rowan Park School office will be open normal school hours, although between the hours of 10.00 am and 2.00 pm is best.

Please note that Rowan Park School is closed during school holidays. If you would like to use the RAP over the holiday times, please make sure your membership is valid as your fob may not gain you entry if not renewed.

If you have any queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Rowan Park School Office on 0151 222 4894.





Sefton PCF Local Offer Live



Sefton Local Offer Live is a marketplace of services for families with children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities. There will be representatives from education, social care, health, and community groups. It is your opportunity to find out more about what is available in Sefton and to speak face to face with providers. Members of Sefton PCF will also be on hand if you have any questions for us.

Local Offer Live is open 10:00 to 1:00 and 2:00 to 5:00 at Bootle Town Hall on Monday 9th November. Lifts are available to the Ballroom and Assembly Room. 1:00 to 2:00 is an opportunity for exhibitors to take a break and have lunch, parent carers are welcome to attend at this time, but some tables may not be manned during this hour.

Scan the QR code or click on the link for more information
https://www.seftonpcf.org/Site/Event

Lest we forget

About Remembrance Day we might not know.
"Lest we forget" is a solemn phrase meaning "it should not be forgotten," used as a caution against forgetting the service and sacrifice of military personnel in wars, conflicts, and peace operations.

Remembrance Day is observed annually on November 11 to honor armed forces members who have died in the line of duty.

Originally known as Armistice Day, it marks the end of World War I on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918.
A nationwide moment of silence is observed at 11:00 AM on November 11.
Remembrance Sunday, various Commonwealth nations, main public ceremonies and royal wreath-layings at the Cenotaph in London. As does all over the country, a wide range of community members, organisations, and public figures take part in Remembrance Day and Remembrance Sunday services.

Armed Forces and Veterans
Serving military personnel: Members of the Royal Navy, British Army, and Royal Air Force.
Veterans: Former service men and women
Cadet forces: Sea Cadets, Army Cadet Force, and Air Training Corps units.

Civic and Official Representatives
Local civic leaders: Such as mayors and councilors.
Emergency services: Personnel from the police, fire and rescue, and ambulance services.

Community and Youth Organisations
Uniformed youth groups: Scouts, Guides, and the Boys' Brigade.
Voluntary and aid organisations: St John Ambulance and The Salvation Army (who often provide musical accompaniment).
Ex-service and local groups: Branches of the Royal British Legion, local community crafting/poppy groups, and faith communities representing diverse local backgrounds.

Schools and General Public
Schools and nurseries: Students and teachers who create hand-made poppy displays, art projects, and attend local services.
Local residents: Families, individuals, and community members who gather at war memorials, churches, and public spaces to observe the two-minute silence and lay wreaths.
ceremonies take place on the second Sunday of November.
Red paper poppies are worn as a sign of remembrance.

Exciting news, our brand-new school lottery is here!

We're delighted to introduce an exciting new way for our parents, families, friends, and the wider school community to support our fundraising – we've joined Your School Lottery!

For just £1 a week, you can help us raise much-needed funds that will benefit our pupils, and you'll also be in with the chance of winning some fantastic prizes.

Someone supporting our school is guaranteed to win a cash prize every week, and every ticket has the chance to win the incredible £25,000 jackpot. It's a prize that really can be won; the jackpot was won seven times last year!

Players can also look forward to regular Super Draws, offering exciting bonus prizes throughout the year alongside the usual weekly draws.

Every ticket makes a difference, so we'd love as many members of our school community as possible to get involved. You can support our school yourself and help us spread the word by sharing the lottery with friends and family too

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Join our lottery today for just £1 a week and help us raise valuable funds for our school while giving yourself the chance to become one of our lucky winners!

VIEW OUR PAGE & PLAY YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/the-rowan-schools?utm_campaign=you-went-live&utm_source=cause-admin&utm_medium=social&utm_content=Hyperlink

Thank you for your continued support.



Term Dates 2026 - 2027

Autumn 1
INSET DAY (Trust)– TUESDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2026
INSET DAY – WEDNESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2026
Pupils Return - Thursday 3rd September 2026
Pupils Break up - Thursday 22nd October 2026
INSET DAY (Trust Confrerence) - FRIDAY 23rd October 2026
Half Term Break



Autumn 2
Pupils Return - Monday 2nd November 2026
Pupils Break up - Friday 18th December 2026 (Finish at 2.00 p.m.)
Full Term Break Christmas Holidays

Spring 1
INSET DAY – MONDAY 4th JANUARY 2027
Pupils Return - Tuesday 5th January 2027
Pupils Break up - Friday 12th February 2027
Half Term

Spring 2
Pupils Return - Monday 22nd February 2027
Pupils break up - Thursday 25th March 2027 (Finish at 2.00 p.m.)
(Good Friday 26th March 2027, Easter Sunday 28th March 2027 & Easter Monday 29th March 2027)
Full Term Break Easter Holidays



Summer 1
Pupils Return - Monday 12th April 2027
Pupil off for May Day - Monday 3rd May (Day) 2027
Pupils Break up - Friday 28th May 2027
Half Term Break

Summer 2
Pupils Return - Monday 7th June 2027
Pupils Break up - Friday 16th July 2027 (Finish at 2.00 p.m.)
Full Term Break Summer Holidays
INSET DAYS – MONDAY 19th JULY 2027, TUESDAY 20th JULY 2027 & WEDNESDAY 21st JULY 2027 (to be worked as TWILIGHTS)

Class News
at The Rowan Park School

In Foxes Class

In Foxes Class this week, we have been getting creative with our Bonfire Night activities. The children enjoyed making fizzy firework paintings using paint, bicarbonate of soda and vinegar, creating exciting colours and reactions. We also took part in a wonderful music session with Jessie's Fund, where the children had the opportunity to explore a variety of musical instruments.

As part of our new topic, Muck, Mess and Mixture, we have been listening to the story of The Gingerbread Man and exploring different sensory experiences linked to the story. In Maths, we are learning about shapes through a range of practical activities.











In Tyne Class

As part of our World of Work lessons, we have been looking at different jobs. One of the jobs was being a chef. Before we started to prepare the sandwiches we all washed our hands. We prepared sandwiches. The pupils cut the barm cakes , spread butter, grated cheese and added ham. They were delicious.





















Rowan Schools Liaison Officers



TAS Team

The TAS Team and our Liaison Officers are here to help, you can come to any of the Rowan Schools on the schedual

WHAT WE DO!

Our coffee afternoons are hosted across all 3 Rowan sites.
Families can have the opportunity to speak to our team, professionals, the team around school and other parent carers for support and guidance.

FOLLOW OUR SOCIALS!
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REFERRALS

- Early Help
- Aiming High
- MHST
- Riding The Rapids
- School Health
- Children With Complex Needs
- Continence Team
- CAMHS
- Transport
- Community Paediatrician
- SALT
- Sefton Carers
- Sefton Young Carers
- SWACA
- Sefton Family Hubs

100% CLASS ATTENDANCE

A Big Well Done to:

Bumblebees, Otters and Mersey Classes

Who achieved **100%** Attendance this week at The Rowan Schools

100% PUPIL ATTENDANCE

There are **160** pupils who have **100%** Attendance this week at The Rowan Schools

Well Done to the Classes with **95%** and above attendance:

Badgers, Owls, Sparrowhawks, Scafell, Catbells and Tryfan Classes

Have a lovely Weekend. And we will see you all on Monday morning



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