

**WELCOME TO
YEAR 5
Rowan 2025 – 2026**



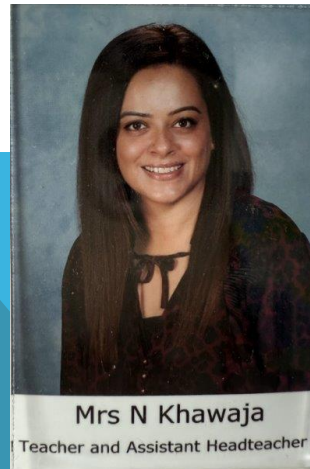
Meet the Year 5 Team

Mrs. Irvine (Mon – Weds) Rowan Class
Teacher

Mrs. Khawaja (Weds – Fri) Rowan Class
Teacher

Mrs. McGivern LSA

Mr. Lockwood LSA



Morning Reminders

Punctuality - playground gates will be open from 8.45am and will be locked promptly at 8:55am. If you are late, you will need to ring the buzzer at Reception and sign the late book.

As soon as children arrive, they should proceed to their classroom ready for their day.



Attendance

Regular school attendance is essential if children are to achieve their full potential.

We believe that regular school attendance is the key to enabling children to maximise the educational opportunities available to them and become emotionally resilient, confident and competent adults who are able to realise their full potential and make a positive contribution to their community.

As a school, we class 96% or above attendance as good attendance. Attendance is monitored regularly and support is available as needed.



Daily Routine

As soon as children arrive to school, they should proceed to their classroom ready to start the morning work. Morning work consists of arithmetic and grammar questions. Reading records and books should be handed in every day.



Timetable

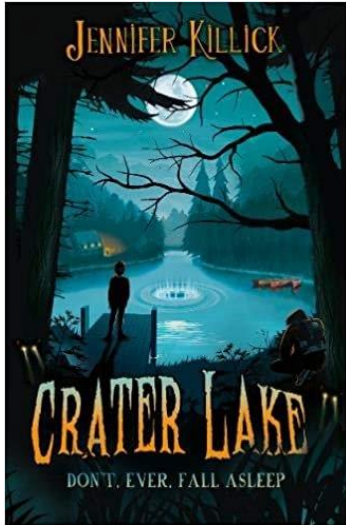


Foxes Piece School – Autumn 25 - Year 5

	0845-0855	0900-0930	0930-1030	1030-1045	1045-1100	1100-1215	1215-1310	1315-1325	1325-1425	1425-1510	1510-1515
MON	Morning work/Registration	Whole Class Reading	English	Assembly	B	Maths	L	Handwriting	Art	RE/ICT	
TUES	Morning work/Registration	Whole Class Reading	English	Assembly	R	Maths	U	Handwriting	Science		
WED	Morning work/Registration	Whole Class Reading	Swimming		E	Swimming	Maths – arithmetic paper	N	Maths	English	French
THURS	Morning work/Registration	Whole Class Reading	English	Assembly	A	Maths	C	Humanities		Music	
FRI	Morning work/Registration	Whole Class Reading	English	Assembly	K	Maths	H	Handwriting	PSHE	PE	

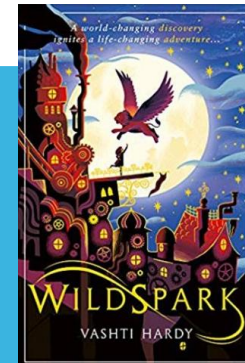
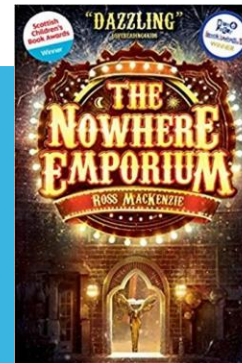
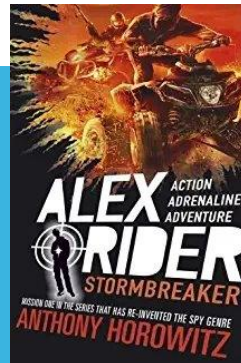
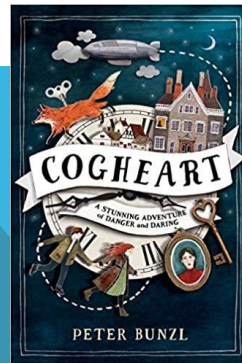
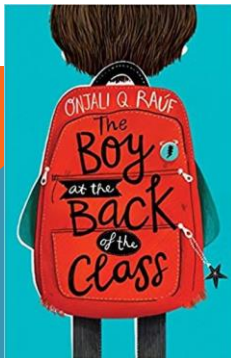
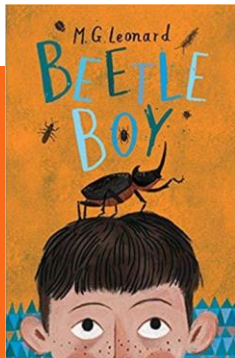
The Year 5 Reading Spine

- Autumn 1: Crater Lake



This term we are reading Crater Lake. We have a class set for the whole class. Would you like to know more about the book?

Who is the mysterious bloodstained man who stops their coach? Why is no one around when Lance and the rest of Year Six arrive at the brand new Crater Lake activity centre? But this is just the beginning of the school trip from hell; a fight for survival that sees five pupils band together to save their classmates from an alien fate far worse than death. But whatever happens, they must Never. Ever. Fall asleep!



More books from the Year 5 reading spine.

School Values

Our vision and values are at the core of everything we do. They underpin our teaching and learning and provide an environment which prepares our pupils as confident, happy citizens.

Our Values: Resilience, Equality, Independence, Respect and Kindness.

Mission Statement - to provide the highest quality all round education, for each and every child, in partnership with parents, within our diverse community.

Aim - To create a happy, safe and curious learning community.

Purpose/Vision - At Foxes Piece School pupils will leave resilient, confident, respectful and independent young people, ready for their next step in education.

Resilience, Equality, Independence,
Respect, Kindness

Behaviour and Expectations

At Foxes Piece, we expect and encourage good behaviour and self discipline from all pupils in order to achieve an environment which enables emotional development, effective learning, high standards and the smooth functioning of the school as an orderly community. How do we maintain this?

- By reinforcing our strong values regularly
- Praise pupils for good behaviour by positive phrasing, giving tokens for children to collect and spend on the Token Trolley, collect marbles for a Marble Treat, Whole school Sharing Assembly and certificates for pupil's achievements and successes.



Token Trolley



BREAK AND LUNCHTIMES

Fruit is available in the dining hall at break times. Children can bring in their own healthy snack.

Hot dinners are available to children when requested and paid for in advance. They are also able to have packed lunches. All children sit together in The Hungry Fox dining hall in mixed year groups.

Lunches and snacks provided from home should help to promote a balanced and healthy approach to food and diet.

We are a nut free school – **no nut products to be brought into school.**



Uniform and PE Days

- Please can school uniform be clearly labelled.
- PE uniform needs to be worn to school on child's PE day and must be clearly labelled.
- **PE days in Year 5 are Wednesday and Friday.**
- **Swimming will take place every Wednesday.** Children should wear their PE uniform on this day and bring in their swimming kits.
- If hair is long enough to be tied up, it must be. Please can children wear plain hair bands/ clips.
- Earrings must be plain studs and only one in each ear. They are not permitted to be worn during PE. For the first 6 weeks after a new piercing, they should be covered with tape (which the child will have to apply and provide).



COMMUNICATION

Open communication between home and school is crucial. If you have any concerns or anything you would like to discuss regarding your child, please do not hesitate to speak to us. We are here to help.

Parents can speak to teachers at the end of the day or send a message via the office.

- office@foxespiece.co.uk

Do we have your up-to-date contact details?

Look out for weekly newsletters for diary dates and important updates on school events and activities.



Assessment and Parent Interviews

Your child's progress will be regularly evaluated throughout the year, using both formal and informal assessments. Teachers will administer summative, nationally recognised tests in Reading and Maths to monitor progress, alongside ongoing teacher assessments.

For Writing, teachers will assess work based on National Curriculum criteria.

During Parent-Teacher Interviews, teachers will share your child's progress and achievement. These interviews will be held on:

- **Wednesday 19th November – Thursday 20th November 2025**
- **Wednesday 17th March – Thursday 18th March 2026**

Homework in Year 5

Daily reading should take place every day (10 – 20 mins). Please keep hearing your child read and continue to sign and date the reading diary. Reading books should be in school every day for reading opportunities with an adult. Children are able to change their books on a daily basis when in school.

Children can access Doodle Maths and Times Table Rock Stars. Children can find their logins in their homework book.

Once a week, children will receive an English and Maths based homework. Homework will be set on Friday and returned back to school on Wednesday.

Spellings will be sent home weekly.

Please support your child to find a suitable time and day to complete homework and ready to hand in on time.



Maths

We teach Maths daily following the White Rose scheme. We work hard to challenge and support each child.

Challenge and problem solving is included in Maths lessons and linked to everyday situations e.g. money, time, weighing and measuring.

There are lots of different equipment in the classroom for the children to use, including a Maths Mastery Box.

Children can access Doodle Maths and Times Table Rock Stars in school and at home.



English

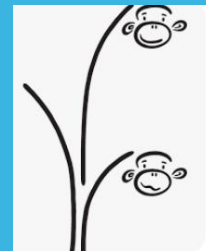
We teach daily English lessons following Ready, Steady, Write scheme. Grammar and punctuation teaching is implemented throughout English lessons.

Spelling lessons follow Ready, Steady Spell scheme.

Daily Guided Reading sessions are taught (group or whole class).

We put a strong emphasis on presentation and encourage all children to take pride in their work. We have implemented a new handwriting scheme – Kinetic Letters.

We work hard to challenge and support each child.



READING

Please read with your child every day. Reading books are changed by the children when needed and should be in school everyday.

We are continually assessing children's reading to ensure they are at the correct level.

Please encourage your child to read at home to develop their love of reading.

At Foxes Piece we have a passion for reading and each classroom has their own reading corner. Children can choose a book from our reading corner or the Key Stage 2 Library.



Trip to the Chiltern Open Air Museum

We are delighted to share that our Year 5 pupils will be visiting the Chiltern Open Air Museum on **Tuesday 11th November 2025**. This special trip will bring our History learning to life through engaging, hands-on workshops linked directly to the children's current topics.

- **Year 5** will take part in an Anglo-Saxons workshop, learning about daily life, customs, and traditions of this fascinating period in history.

On the day checklist:

- Please bring your child to school at 8.30am.
- Packed lunch and refillable water bottle in a rucksack (no nuts).
- Warm, waterproof coat
- School uniform - please aim to keep arms and legs covered for the trip (school jumper/cardigan, trousers/leggings).
- Wellies or trainers (plus a change of footwear if possible).
- Travel sickness medication (if needed) should be provided in original packaging with a completed medical form.

We are really looking forward to this exciting day of outdoor learning and know it will be a memorable experience for the children.



Safeguarding

The Designated Leaders for Safeguarding (DSL) are Mrs. Jane Byron, Mrs. Karen Byer, Mrs. Nazia Khawaja, Mrs. Lisa Dempsey and Mrs. Loren Irvine are additional DSLs.

At Foxes Piece, the health, safety and well-being of every child is of paramount concern. We listen to our pupils and take seriously what they tell us. Our aim is that children will enjoy their time as pupils in our school.

We want to work in partnership with everyone to help children achieve their full potential and make a positive contribution.

For all safeguarding related queries please email -

safeguarding@foxespiece.co.uk



Mrs J Byron
Headteacher



Mrs K Byer
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs N Khawaja
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs L Dempsey
Family Liaison Teacher



Mrs L Irvine
SENCo

Thank you!

If you would like to volunteer to work at Foxes Piece, please contact the school office. We are always very appreciative of any extra help!

Any questions?

We look forward to working with you and your children this year.

Thank you for attending this meeting.

