



Rudyard Kipling Primary School & Nursery Newsletter

"Where learning is an adventure!"

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Headteacher Reports...

Today marks the end of the Spring Term and all of our school community look forward to a well-deserved rest and time with their families.

This term, it has been wonderful to be able to take our children out of school again on a super selection of trips: from castles to Mexican restaurants! These are the experiences which live long in the memory bank.

We have also been able to offer our children an enticing choice of free after school clubs. When we return for the summer term, there will be other clubs to choose from including: cricket, tag rugby, girls' football and karate. Our aim is to try and offer an activity to match the interests of every child.

I would like to thank our dedicated staff team for leading these clubs this term and last. Our children are very fortunate to have such a dedicated group of adults to help make their time at RKPS so much fun.

Over the Easter holiday, there will be some exciting school improvements. We are having LED lighting installed in the corridors in our school which has been in the pipeline for quite some time. Our KS2 playground will be brightened up by the addition of colourful new line markings, including a netball court. Over in KSI, a fun new Trim Trail will be going up for our youngest learners to enjoy at playtimes. Lots to look forward to for the Summer Term!

Today, we bid a fond farewell to Year 5 class teacher, Miss Morgan. She leaves us to join Thomas A Becket Junior School in Worthing, a short bicycle ride from her home. Miss Morgan has made a hugely positive impact on hundreds of children in her five plus years here at RKPS and I know you will join me in wishing her well.

Year 5 Seacole will be taught by returning teacher Miss Adenle who many of the children will remember fondly from her previous time teaching at our school.

We also welcome two recent new additions to our staff team. Ms Loosely has joined EYFS and KSI and is already working closely with a number of our youngest children. Mr Levi has joined to strengthen our learning mentor team. He has been in school this week building positive relationships with children across the school. It is great to have both on board.

Unless I see you at the Easter Trail after school today, I wish you all a wonderful Easter holiday.

Euan Hanington

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Headteacher



Our Reception Spa was open all week!



Gate Opening Time For Summer Term/ Not Arriving Early

When we return after Easter, we will be returning to opening the gate at **8:35am**. This is so to enable there to be staff supervision on site. Your child should go straight into school and start their learning for the day. Your child has a ten minute window, 8:35am - 8:45am, to arrive at school: this 'soft start' enables a calmer start to the day.

Once again, we respectfully ask that you do not arrive too early for school. Doing so creates crowding on the pavement and goes against our intention for a calm start to the day for everyone. **Please try and arrive as close to 8:35am as possible.** Many thanks for your support with this.



A.R.K. Club

The Anti-Racist Kids club starts after the Easter holiday. It is a 6 week club which costs £30 per child for the whole 6 weeks. The overall aim of the club is to empower the children with the language and confidence to be able to declare themselves as anti-racist. It is for 7-11 year olds and is on Fridays 4pm - 5.30pm

The themes across the weeks are:

Who cares about racism?

Who is affected by racism?

Who is responsible for racism?

What can I do?

Who can help me?

Anyone interested should contact customer care@afroribooks and we will add them to the waiting list and give further info in the next few weeks.



Year 4 - La Choza Trip

On Tuesday, Year 4 came into school very excited as it was their first school trip since COVID stopped normality! The children had a wonderful day, tasting many new foods and learning about the origin of these foods. What an experience to have and one that will live long in their memories. The children were not only engaged with the learning on the day, but displayed all five school Values and maintained marvellous manners and perfect politeness throughout. Don't take our word for it however, have a look at what La Choza replied to Mr Wynne after he emailed to say a big thank you on behalf of the children:

Strangely I had just opened my email to contact you and say a big thank you to yourself, your parent helpers and all the children, I was a little overwhelmed when I saw how many of you there were, but the children were amazing and a credit to both you and the school, as well as themselves. They were really well behaved, polite and seemed engaged and enthusiastic, all in exactly the right amounts. Thank you all you really made my day.



Rudyard Reading Recommendations

Hello all, every week the English Team and various adults around school share two reading recommendations for you and your lovely children to read.

Reading Research Alert:

“Reading for pleasure is not always cited as the key reason for children reading. Other reasons include skills-based reasons or reasons to do with learning and understanding.”
Clark and Foster, 2005).



The Little Wooden Robot and the Log Princess by Tom Gauld

For many years, a king and queen have longed for a child. One day their wish is finally granted and with the help of a kind witch and clever inventor, they get their very own wooden little robot boy and log princess. The two children were the best of friends and the family were so happy together. However, there was one catch, every night the little Princess turns back into a wooden log and has to be woken by her brother with magic words. One day, whilst her brother is distracted by a circus, the maid sees the log on the bed and throws it out the window not realising that it was in fact the princess! The robot then goes on desperate and challenging mission to get his sister back!

This is such a wonderful new fairytale. Both the illustrations and story line hook you straight in and keep you engaged throughout. We particularly love how it provides opportunities for the reader to use their imagination when the characters go on adventures. We also love how it celebrates friendship, loyalty and determination.

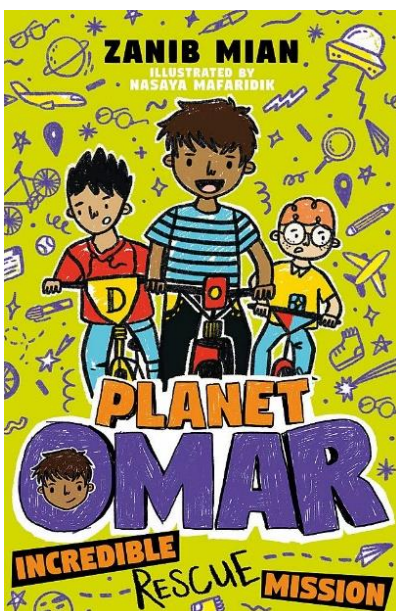
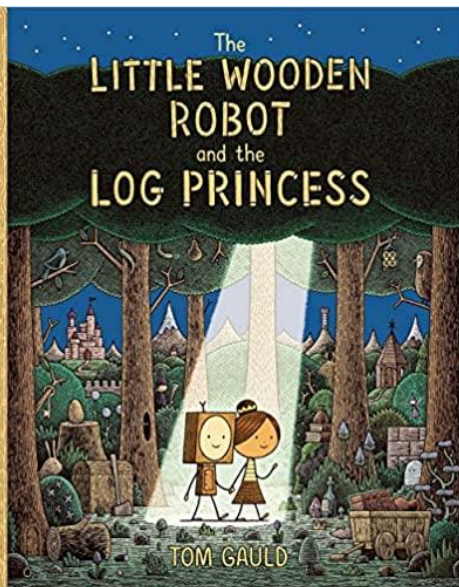
Planet Omar: Incredible Rescue Mission by Zanib Mian Mian and illustrated by Kyan Cheng

This is the third book in Zanib Mian's laugh-out-loud series, with amazing cartoon-style illustrations from Nasaya Mafaridik. Perfect for fans of Tom Gates and Wimpy Kid.

When Omar and his friends come back after the school holidays, their lovely teacher seems to have been replaced by somebody much more grumpy.

Overhearing other teachers talking about her, Omar decides something terrible has happened. Could she possibly have been abducted by ... aliens?!

Omar persuades his friends to mount a rescue mission but what they find is very surprising!





Autism Acceptance Week 2022:

This Wednesday, Year 5 were lucky to have a local author visit to celebrate Autism Acceptance week. Oliver Pendlington, of Hove, has high functioning autism and has experienced anxiety. He has discovered that running has really helped him to overcome this, and has written a book inspired by his experiences. He spoke to the children about it, answered a Q&A session, and even ran a lap with them around the field. We learnt a lot, thanks Oliver!

And thank you to Miss Beesley for organising this exciting visit!



Rudyard 1 - 0 Whitehawk

Match report – By Ava and Eliza S (Sports captains)

On Friday 25th March 2022, Rudyard faced Whitehawk in their first ever competitive game of football. Nervous yet excited, the girls met at lunchtime to collect their kits and talk through their positions, tactics and game plan ready for their 3:45 KO.

Our opponents, Whitehawk, had played many games prior to this game and brought 14 girls with them to our 7! Understandably, the girls felt worried, but they never let their nerves take over as you will read throughout this match report.

We started the game passing the ball like a prime Barcelona team and created some close opportunities to score but just couldn't get that goal. On the rare occasion that Whitehawk attacked, our defence were perfectly positioned to block and tackle in order to thwart their efforts. Despite our best efforts, the score line remained 0-0 at the half way point.

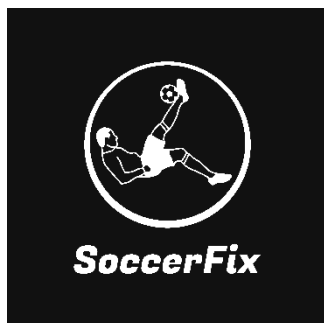
Switching halves for the second half, Rudyard remained perfectly organised and were now really pressing for that all important goal. Finally, after all their possession, the girls broke the deadlock. A goal kick from Whitehawk saw the ball roll towards the mighty Mia-Belle. She saw her opportunity with the goalkeeper off the line and struck the ball sweetly. In what seemed like slow motion, the ball looped over the goalkeeper and rippled the Whitehawk net. Absolute scenes on the side-lines – 1-0 to the Rudyard. Rudyard pressed for a second goal but couldn't find one as the game ended 1-0.

Well done to Mia (our woman of the match) and all the girls who represented the school by following the 5 school Values – Scarlett, Sara, Pepper, Olive, Maisie, Courtney and of course, Mia!

YEAR 3 & 4 AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL CLUB

We are delighted to announce that we are teaming up with Soccerfix, a football coaching organisation that strives to develop young aspiring footballers, to start a new Year 3 & 4 after school football club next term. The club will take place on Mondays from 3.15-4.30pm on our school field, and the first session will be on **Monday 9th May**. It will run for 10 weeks until the end of the summer term.

If you would like to book a place for your child in the club, please click on this link - <https://soccerfix.class4kids.co.uk/info/312> which will take you to Soccerfix's dedicated booking system. Please note, all bookings and payments will be arranged through Soccerfix, so please contact them with any questions.



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RUDYARD KIPLING PRIMARY SCHOOL YEAR 3 & 4 FOOTBALL CLUB



MONDAY'S

3:15PM-4:30PM





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Head Teacher Awards!

Thunberg – Wow Frankie! What huge progress, thank you for working so hard to develop your confidence at working with your friends in our group.

Kahlo – Teddy thank you for your beautiful singing and lovely kind and gentle playing every week in our Sunshine Circle.

Pixie thank you for all your fun ideas you have made so much progress in our Sunshine Circle group.

Ruben for making a super castle as home using paper cups. What a great idea!

David for creating a fold up castle at home, complete with drawbridge. Wonderful!

Attenborough – Dempsey – a very special thank you to Dempsey for being the Sunshine Circle Mentor, you have brought so much joy and energy to our group.

Gandhi – Fin for fantastic focus and concentration in all his learning this week.

Darwin –TJ was a kind and considerate host and made our visiting guest author feel comfortable and welcome. Thank you for perfectly demonstrating our school value of 'Kindness', TJ!

Indie created a fantastic poster inspired by the 'Space Race' propaganda of the 1960s. She even included a detailed drawing of Laika the dog, the first animal in space! Well done for illustrating your knowledge of our topic in such a bold and eye catching way!

Seacole - Courtney for always being fabulous in everything you do. Thank you for all the things you have done to help me this year Courtney. I really am going to miss you.

Layla for always working hard and being a fantastic and enthusiastic member of Seacole. Your writing is always inspiring to read. Keep it up future author!

Yousafzai – Izzy brilliant topic book overflowing with knowledge.

Play Champion of the week.

KS1 – Oakley in Year 1 for playing nicely with friends and sharing scooters.

KS2 – Freddie and Louis in Seacole and TJ in Darwin for playing connect 4 and challenging each other during wet play.



Stars of the Week

After School Club

KS1 – Olivia in Attenborough for settling in so well.

KS2 – Jacob in Gandhi for settling in so well.





Special Mentions

Thunberg – Frankie has been amazing and totally deserves a Special Mention for being a real Perseverance Pete. He has made wonderful progress in everything but particularly with phonics. He thinks about what he already knows and is applying that knowledge when spelling. You should be very proud of yourself Frankie – we certainly are!

Rashford – Frankie has been such a busy bee, working really hard to complete tasks and having a go at all activities. Keep it up Frankie, we are very proud of you!

Kahlo – Liam has been an absolute star this term. He has been trying so hard with all of his work and has been enjoying challenges, especially in maths. What a great improvement in his handwriting too! Liam also shows great curiosity in his learning and loves to ask questions as well as answer them. Kahlo class are very proud of you!

Obama – Lana is such a Have a Go Harold and has made amazing progress in her reading and writing. I am beyond proud of everything she has achieved this, and every, week. Well done, Lana!

Attenborough - Darcie is a superstar in every sense of the word! She is always smiley, positive and tries her best at everything she does. Setting a wonderful example for the other children, she never gives up and has such a wonderful attitude towards her learning. A ray of sunshine in our classroom! Attenborough wouldn't be the same without you Darcie! Keep on smiling!

Parks – Carter - Perseverance Pete was present in our class this week in the form of Carter Jackman. When faced with a really challenging problem solving question in maths, Carter didn't give up when he was unsuccessful. He asked for some feedback and then used that feedback to keep on trying until he discovered a solution. Seeing Carter cheer for his success as he punched the air was not only a proud moment for him but also me and his friends. Well done, Carter!

Gandhi – Barney has blown me away with all the hard work that he has put into his reading over the last few weeks. He has been reading at home every night and is using a range of different strategies to help him decipher, understand and infer texts as well as reading aloud with enthusiasm and superb expression. Great work Barney.

Mandela – Marvellous Mason! What a joy it is to have Mason in Mandela class! Positive, enthusiastic and focused, Mason could be every learning muscle as he stands here before you today! What stands out however, is Mason's ever-developing independence. Once a boy who worried about his learning, is now a boy who thrives and seeks challenge! Keep up the great work, Mason!

Darwin – Olivia, you thoroughly deserve this award and the reasons are endless! Every day, without doubt, you enter the classroom with a positive attitude and a smile on your face. You put 110% into every piece of work, and because of this you are soaring to success! Your information poster about owls was thoughtfully composed and beautifully illustrated and you should be proud of your hard work. Keep it up superstar!

Wow, Jamie! You just go from strength to strength. You worked hard to write an emotive and thoughtful letter in role. When I read it, it was hard to believe it wasn't actually taken straight from our class book, Skellig. You truly brought the character of Michael to life with descriptive and ambitious vocabulary. I can't wait to read your next piece of writing!

Seacole – Neel - Since I have known Neel, he has always been an enthusiastic and hard worker. I have always looked forward to marking Neel’s work, whether it be a fantastic and descriptive piece of writing or a brilliant example of problem solving and reasoning. I really will miss teaching such a kind, caring and conscientious member of my class.



Natasha - What is there to say about Natasha? I have watched her grow over the years and seen how she has developed into a confident and determined member of the class. It is great to see that Natasha will always try hard after persevering through tricky challenges and come out the other end with a smile and an offer to help others. Keep this up Natasha.

Turing – Ruby Ruby Ruby Ruby!!! It has been incredible to watch your development over the year and I am so proud of the progress you continue to make. You always come in with a smile on your face and light up the classroom with your cheer and laughter. Well done!

Yousafzai – Marvellous Muminah is a super positive Polly - always grinning, so always winning! She makes my day every day with her smile and zest for learning! She has become an expert teacher too! Bravo Muminah.

Attendance and Time Keeping




R.K.P.S. Championship Punctuality League KS1 Week ending 01.04.2022		
1st	100%	Obama & Attenborough
2nd	Year 1	Kahlo
3rd	Year R	Thunberg
R.K.P.S. Championship Punctuality League KS2 Week ending 01.04.2022		
1st	100%	Yousafzai
2nd	Year 5	Darwin
3rd	Year 5	Seacole

R.K.P.S. Premier Attendance League KS1 Week ending 01.04.2022		
1st	Year 2	Attenborough 98.8%
2nd	Year 1	Obama 93.7%
3rd	Year R	Thunberg 93.6%
R.K.P.S. Premier Attendance League KS2 Week ending 01.04.2022		
1st	Year 3	Gandhi 99.1%
2nd	Year 5	Darwin 95.6%
3rd	Year 3	Pankhurst 95%



New School Lunch Menu

Please see below our Summer Menu, you can find this on our school website under 'Parents', 'School Lunch Menu'

 B&H SUMMER 2022 2 CHOICE + 2 Packed Lunch MENU RK						
DATES	WEEK 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
25.04.22 16.05.22 13.06.22 04.07.22 29.08.22 19.09.22 10.10.22	Main	Macaroni Cheese	Farm Assured Beef Burger in a Bun with Jacket Wedges	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	BBQ Chicken with 50:50 Rice	MSC Salmon Fish Fingers with Homemade Tomato Ketchup & Chips
	Vegan	5 Bean Chilli with 50:50 Rice	Veggie Shepherds Pie	Lentil & Basil Puff Pastry Whirl with Roast Potatoes	Vegan Spaghetti Bolognese	Quorn Cumberland Sausages with Homemade Tomato Sauce & Chips
	Vegetables	Sweetcorn Carrots	Grated Carrot Peas	Cauliflower Savoy Cabbage	Broccoli Sweetcorn	Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Carrot Cake	Marble Cookie (V)	Ice Cream & Peaches	Italian Vanilla Cake (V) & Custard	Fruity Wholemeal Shortbread with Fruity Friday (V)
DATES	WEEK 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
02.05.22 23.05.22 20.06.22 11.07.22 05.09.22 26.09.22 17.10.22	Main	Margherita Pizza	Spaghetti Bolognese	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Pork Sausage Roll with Homemade Potato Wedges	MSC Breaded Fish with Homemade Tomato Sauce & Chips
	Vegan	Mixed Bean Casserole with 50:50 Rice	Vegan Quorn Cumberland Sausages with Mashed Potato & Gravy	Mediterranean Gratin with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Falafel with Lemon & Herb Couscous	Mexican Bean Roll with Homemade Tomato Sauce & Chips
	Vegetables	Peas Carrots	Sweetcorn Green Beans	Savoy Cabbage Sliced Carrots	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Peach Upside Down Cake & Custard	Apple Pie & Ice Cream	Yoghurt & Fruit Station	Jelly & Mandarins (V)	Oaty Cookie with Fruity Friday (V)
DATES	WEEK 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09.05.22 06.06.22 27.06.22 18.07.22 12.09.22 03.10.22	Main	Pork Sausages with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Sweet & Sour Chicken with Noodles	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	MSC Fish Fingers with Homemade Tomato Ketchup & Chips
	Vegan	Sweet Potato & Lentil Curry with 50:50 Rice	Vegan Meatballs with Tomato Sauce & Pasta	Vegetable & Tomato Tart with Roast Potatoes	BBQ Quorn Fillet with Homemade Jacket Wedges	Vegan Burger Patty in a Bun with Homemade Tomato Sauce & Chips
	Vegetables	Sweetcorn Carrots	Cauliflower Peas	Broccoli Sliced Carrots	Savoy Cabbage Sweetcorn	Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Fairtrade Banana Cake & Custard	Cinnamon Cookie with Sliced Pear (V)	Fruit Jelly (V)	Flapjack (V)	Chocolate Shortbread with Fruity Friday (V)
Packed Lunch	Served with crudites, fresh fruit or a freshly baked cake/biscuit and fruit juice or water	Sliced Vegan Meatball in a Roll (V)	Tuna Mayonnaise Wholemeal Sandwich	Roast Meat Baguette	Cheese & Salad Pitta	Pork Sausage Baguette
		Sliced Falafel in a Roll (V)	Cheese & Cucumber Wholemeal Sandwich	Vegan Sausage Baguette (V)	Humous & Grated Carrot Pitta (V)	Cheese & Tomato Baguette

Equalities



Autism Awareness Week

For Autism Awareness week, we learnt how autism is a superpower! In Yousafzai, Eliza chose to create a presentation explaining what autism means to her.


This is what she had to say: my younger brother Joe is autistic and that's really cool.

My presentation shows what it's like to be autistic and it includes many facts about many different people with autism. It also included: a Q&A with Joe, a quote from Joe, celebrities\ famous people with autism & a special video with my mum asking Joe questions and Joe answering.

I chose to do my presentation to show people in my class autism from my perspective as people with autism are all very different. Finley (in my class) has autism and he and Joe are very different.

In class, we celebrated our differences and recognised that we are all different in our own unique way and in our own right. We discussed how our differences help build us together to make dream teams; as our strengths will work alongside other people's ways to improve and our ways to improve will work alongside their strengths – like a jigsaw! We also discussed how our Value of equality is really important when understanding people's differences and that actually to treat people with equality sometimes means we have to treat them differently to help their different needs.





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ACTIVITIES

STALLS

CRAFTS

GAMES

FOOD
& DRINK

**HOLY CROSS
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FRIDAY FUNDRAISER

April 2022	
Friday 8 th April	LAST DAY OF TERM
Monday 25 th	CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL

