

# Rudyard Kipling Primary School & Nursery Newsletter

"Where learning is an adventure!"

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Headteacher Reports...

At 10am tomorrow, we will be holding our traditional Open Morning when prospective parents and carers are invited to visit our wonderful school.

I regularly take parents on tours and there is always a common response when I do, that being: 'I had no idea you had such amazing grounds!'

This is very true and it is only when one visits other schools that one realises just how fortunate our children are with their vast array of open spaces in which to explore. Our children have: an expansive Nursery and Reception 'Learning Garden', a newly landscaped KSI playground, a KS2 playground with outdoor stage and 'Crinklecrag' climber and two full size sports pitches. Add to this the Year I and 2 'Learning Garden' and top it off with our beautifully wild Forest School and you realise just how many green spaces our children have to explore and enjoy. We are so very lucky. And with so few cars around here too, our unpolluted air is an added bonus.

When RKPS was built, opened in 1959, the planning team were incredibly generous with the spaces they presented to the children and we are delighted that they were. I always enjoy chatting with parents who attended RKPS in the 1960s and 70s. One teacher's name which often comes up in conversation is Mr Lacey, best known for his legendary PE lessons.

At the beginning of this month, we proudly hosted the Woodingdean Carnival for the very first time. I enjoyed some super chats over the course of the day, including with a stall holder who remembered Mr Lacey very fondly: she recalled one of our KS2 Sports Fields being known as the 'Holy of the Holies' in the 1970s. The 2023 version of Mr Lacey, Mr Wynne, is still considering whether to return it to its original name!

We look forward to proudly showing more parents around our school tomorrow.

The week beginning Monday October 9<sup>th</sup> will see our first Parent and Carer Consultations of the year. These represent a golden opportunity to formally discover how your child is doing in school, both academically and socially. I am delighted to announce that we will also have a Book Fair here on Tuesday October 10<sup>th</sup> when you can treat your child to a beautiful new book after hearing how positively they have started the term.

I end this week by thanking the vast majority of parents who never park their cars on the zig zag lines at the front of the school. The small handful of parents who do so are potentially creating an unsafe environment for our whole school community.

Have (another) wonderful sunny weekend

Evan Havington

Euan Hanington Headteacher











Year 6 in their Michelin 5-star classroom restaurant!

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## You are invited to our Book Fair Tuesday 10th October 3:15 - 17:50 (Parents Evening).

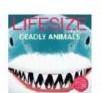
Rudyard Kipling Primary School would like to invite you to The Book Nook Book Fair where you will find an extensive and exhilarating range of latest releases and well-loved classics to get your child excited about reading.

With prices starting at £6.99, there will be books for all interests and reading abilities and we are sure there will be a book for you and your child to enjoy.

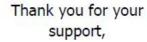
All sales go towards FREE books for our school!

When: Tuesday 10th October 3:15 - 17:50

Where: In the KS2 hall Payment: Cash or card





















First Avenue, Hove. BN3 2FJ. www.booknookuk.com



You are also invited to the Rudyard Kipling Book Stall Tuesday 10th October 3:15 - 17:50 (Parents Evening).



We would like to invite you to our own Book Stall run by our very own (excited) Librarians with our own stock of treasured books. Each book will be 50p – we are sure there will be a book for you and your child to enjoy.

When: Tuesday 10th October 3:15 - 17:50

Where: Foyer (main entrance in the school)

Payment: Cash



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## MACMILLAN

Thank you to Mrs Mills who laid out a delicious spread for all Rudyard staff to enjoy and raise money for Macmillan yesterday.

If you would like to contribute to the school's rising total for this amazing charity, please either scan the QR code or drop in your

donation to reception. Thank you for your support!









#### **Parents / Carers Consultations**

All booking information will be out next week, please keep a look out on Schoolping.

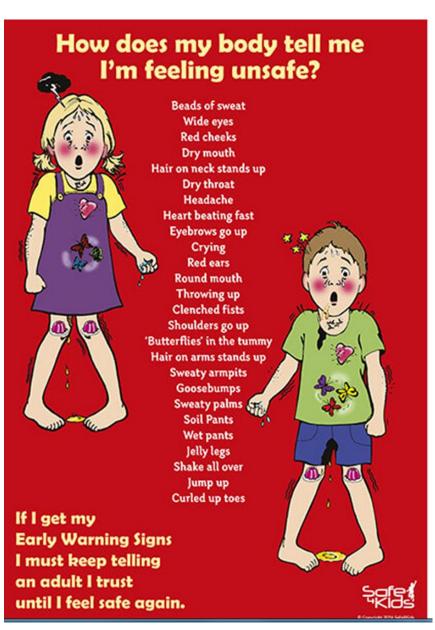


This week in Year 3, we have been learning about how we recognise safe and unsafe situations and how our bodies show us that it is unsafe. We have been learning what our individual early warning signs are and how to recognise those to keep us safe and understand that we are all different and have different early warning signs.

### Reminder: Please Label School Uniform!

All clothes and possessions should be carefully marked with the child's full name. We have a lot of lost property in school and a lot of it is unnamed!





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### Special Mentions

Kaho – Asiyah has shown incredible remembering this week! I am constantly impressed by Asiyah's superb listening skills which allows her to do superb learning. Asiyah is always smiling and full of energy and enthusiasm to learn. This has allowed her to complete work that she is extremely proud of! I cannot wait to see what amazing work Asiyah will produce next week!

Obama – Fabulous Freddie! From the moment you walk into our classroom, your big smile and joyful energy radiates through our classroom. You are wonderfully enthusiastic about our learning and are a superb learning partner to others, always sharing your ideas and thoughts. You always show all of our 5 Rs, but the one which you have got an award for this week is Readiness. Your consistent readiness within all areas of school life ensure that you are making wonderful progress already. Freddie, you are a true delight to have as part of Team Obama, always stay true to you and always keep hold of your sparkle! You are a superstar!

Attenborough – Daniel – you are such a reflective member of Attenborough class. Your positive attitude is evident that you are reflecting to further improve the quality of your presentation – keep going, buddy! You navigate through social situations if others are not in the 'green', demonstrating patience and understanding in a kind and supportive manner. We are so lucky to have you!

Parks – George has really impressed Miss Ghattas with his reflectiveness this week! Using reflectiveness has meant that George is finding a sensible learning space where he is at his brain best and responding to his 'oranges'. Boy, has it paid off! He has produced some phenomenal pieces of work which he is very proud of. Well done George, keep it up!

Gandhi – Bertie - Never happy with coasting through his learning, Bertie's resourcefulness has become a beacon for others to aspire to in Gandhi class. He uses his new writing pack in English to independently complete his English learning and selects the manipulatives he deems necessary in maths to secure his understanding.

Pankhurst – Keira really impressed Miss Lee-Bull and Miss Kirby with her resilience this week! She is really trying to work independently and give things a go, we are so proud of her. Keep it up Keira!

Mandela – Maxim - What a wonderful week this young man has had. Maxim has shown his true resilience and ability to bounce back when the going gets tough! He's ploughed through his maths, received a glowing report from Mr Westcott and continues to show real maturity week-on-week. Magnificent Maxim, keep up the hard work, you really are smashing it!

Darwin – Fin has been remembering how to represent Year 5 throughout the school. In lessons this week, Fin has been determined to impress everyone with his work ethic, which he most definitely achieved. Not only has Fin been trying extremely hard to improve his place value knowledge in Maths; but in English he has absolutely blown everyone away with his Newspaper report. Fin proudly produced his work to an extremely high standard; Miss Smith especially liked the use of 'petrified' and 'devastating'. What a great start to the year! Keep on Shining!

**Seacole - Thea** is quite simply wonderful. Not only does she achieve all five of the 'R's on a regular basis, she is also kind and considerate, curious and animated, polite and helpful! All of these fabulous attributes make Thea a very special and valued member of Seacole.

Yousafzai - Majestic Malaika is always lighting up my classroom with her smile and her work. She is always ready, always keen and always wanting to do her best. We are privileged to have her in Yousafzai.



#### **Rudyard Reading Recommendations**

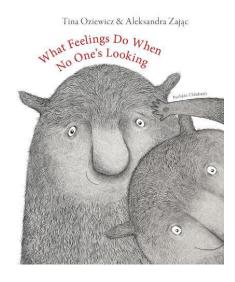
Hello all, every week the English Team and various adults around school share two reading recommendations for you and your lovely children to read.

#### **Reading Research Alert:**

Children who read (or who are read to) at least 20 minutes a day are exposed to almost 2 million words per year.

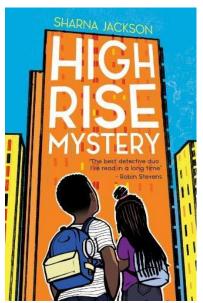


#### Aliens Love Underpants! By Tina Oziewicz & Aleksandra Zajac



In this gem of a book, we learn all about what feelings get up to when they are not being watched! It is creative, witty, moving, thought provoking, reflective, dramatic and poignant. It grabs your attention from the first page and is a fantastic text for opening up discussions about feelings and how they make us behave. The detailed pencil illustrations bring the feeling characters alive and give them an endearing warmth. A super, super book!

### High Rise Mystery by Sharna Jackson



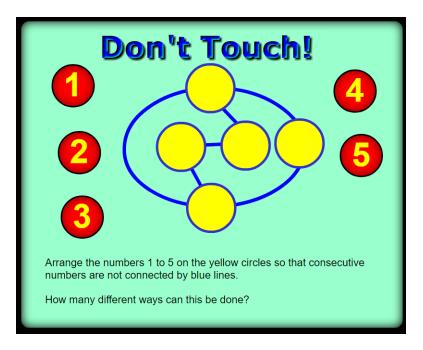
Nik and her older sister Norva live on an estate known as The Tri. When they find the dead body of Hugo Knightley-Webb, they immediately put into practice their detective skills, using the formula 'facts, evidence, deduction' – methodological and procedural, just like the detectives they have seen on TV. However, that's complicated when the victim is a neighbour and your dad is the chief suspect. It is told from Nik's point of view in short sentences and using authentic dialogue!

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#### Maths Challenges from Mr Jones

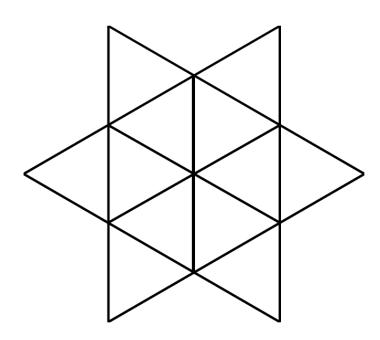
What a week! It has been incredible to see so many children taking on 'The Maths Challenges' at such an early stage in the year. The Key Stage 2 challenge this week is certain to divide opinions, but as always get counting and submit your answers to your teacher who will pass them onto Mr Jones. Good luck!

#### **KSI**



#### KS2

## How many triangles can you see in this picture?



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### Rudyard Kipling Primary School, Woodingdean Where learning is an adventure!







Is your child starting Reception in 2024? Join us to start your child's learning adventure!

Open events will be held on: Saturday 30th September, 10am Wednesday II October, 9:30am Wednesday 15th November, 5:30pm Wednesday 22 November, 9:30 am Wednesday 3<sup>4</sup> January, 9:30am

#### We are a high achieving Woodingdean school.

	2023 Year 6 SATs results	
/	RKPS	National
Reading	86%	73%
Writing	78%	71%
Maths	80%	73%
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These results place us amongst the top performing schools in the whole of Brighton

& Hove. **CHANCE TO SHINE** 





**MONDAYS** 



3:15PM-4:30PM



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Primary School & Nursery, Woodingdean

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AGE 7 - 12 years old

COST NONE - IT'S FREE!!!!

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#### **Head Teacher Awards!**

Dylan in Kahlo - Incredible Pirate Ship artwork.

Wren in Kahlo - Being a Writing Wizard!

**Sven in Obama** for fabulous greater than, less than work in Maths!

**Ted in Attenborough -** Super geography learning.

Harli in Attenborough - Being a maths magician!

Harrison in Attenborough – Fantastic maths learning!

**Frankie in Parks -** For his excellent attitude to learning!

Erica in Gandhi - Excelling in editing in learning!

Ruben in Pankhurst - A beautiful description of the sea.

Ivy and Harlot in Pankhurst - Super Climate Change poster.

Archie in Mandela - Sensational science learning.

Aoife in Mandela - First class science work.

Fletcher in Darwin - Being a great peer mentor to a Year I child.

Millie-Leigh, Alexandra and Chelsea in Darwin – For writing a super poem together entitled 'Wolf'. Ronnie in Darwin – for going out of his way to ensure that a much younger child had an enjoyable

lunchtime.

**Mujahid, Ellis and Liam in Seacole –** Excellent newspaper reports linked to Arthur and the Golden Rope.

William, Rasia, Zoe, Lennon and Bailey in Yousafzai - Careful sketches of leaves and excellent use of pencil drawing.

Lottie and Jessica-Lea in Yousafzai - For being super librarians.

Saumya and Liam - A super joint project on William Morris

#### Stars of the Week

#### **Breakfast Club**

KSI – Fox, Lily, Darcey, Harlow, Sebastian, Augustas and Amber (all Reception Children) for settling in so well and filling the room with happiness.

**KS2 – Mikey in Yousafzai & Dexter in Pankhurst** for settling in so well with their smiles and postive energy.

#### After School Club

KSI - Lily in Rashford for settling in so well.

**KS2 – Oliver in Darwin** for being a good role model to his peers.

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October 2023		
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Book Nook Book Fair – 3:15pm – 5:30pm	
	Parents Consultations 4pm-6pm	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Consultations 3:40pm – 5:30pm	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	HALF TERM	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY	
Tuesday 31st	Children Return to School	
November 2023		
Wednesday I <sup>st</sup>	Photographer – Individual Photos – more info to follow	
December 2023		
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term	
January 2024		
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET DAY	
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Children Return to School	





















