



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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Headteacher Reports:

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The 'Times Table Challenge' is a traditional feature of our Monday morning assembly with the esteemed Times Table trophy up for grabs.

Each week, two children pit their wits against each other as they answer questions on a times table/s of their choice. When a child has mastered all of their times tables, they are able to put themselves forward to take part in the 'ultimate' challenge, when they answer random questions on every times table all the way up to 12x12.

The expectation is that all children know their times tables by the end of Year 4: by doing so, it helps them enormously with so many other aspects of mathematics. I am delighted that more and more of our children are learning their times tables off by heart and this week Leo (Year 2) and Jack (Year 3) took part in the 'ultimate' challenge with both young mathematicians showing that they really are times table masters! Thank you to those parents who are helping their child practise their times tables at home, supporting the work we do in school.

When I talk to the children about which subjects they enjoy most, maths is a frequent response-it's great that so many of our children have a natural love of maths-it's such a fantastic subject.

The majority of parents and carers have booked their Parent/Carer Consultations appointments for October 15th and 16th. These are an opportunity for you to find out how your child is progressing in maths and other key areas. You will also have the opportunity to look through your child's books and find out how your child is settling into the new school year. If you haven't yet booked, please contact the office.

Tomorrow morning, we have our first Open Event here for prospective families of Reception children. As usual, I expect a common response to be: 'I didn't realise that you had such wonderful grounds!'. Our children are so very fortunate to learn in such incredible grounds: we truly are the gem hidden away on top of the hill!

Have a wonderful weekend

Euan Hannington

Headteacher



Ultimate Times Table Challenge Competitors



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness

Special Mentions

Grayson



I have been so impressed by Grayson's readiness this term! Every day he arrives early to school, but he does not waste a second! He is either practising his handwriting or doing jobs! I am not sure what I would do without him. This super star always gives everything his best shot. Grayson's fantastic attitude to learning will see him go far and I cannot wait to see him progress throughout the year. A huge well done!

YR1



Kedar

A dinosaur expert already, Super Kedar is ever ready to wow with his fun facts! This week, Kedar has shown incredible resilience in all our subjects. He has now realised the magical power of asking for help and saying I can't do it...YET! If he finds something difficult, he knows to ask his helpful peers or his teacher. Kedar also is very helpful. Now that he knows how amazing it is to receive help, he helps others to be resilient as well! I am so impressed with Kedar already, I can only imagine what the rest of the year will be like. Well done Kedar!

Tallulah



Terrific Tallulah! I am so proud of you! Your fantastic, positive attitude is enabling you to be resilient with anything that comes your way. You're not just getting the task done, you tackle those tough and tricky challenges in such a tenacious way. You're determined to do it, and you do it brilliantly! I am so thankful for you. What a great role model and inspiration for us all.

YR2

Kody

Rocket's little superstar is at it again!



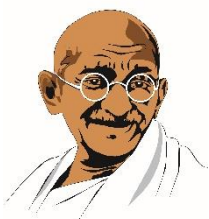
You are working so hard and making amazing progress. It has been a joy to see your handwriting come along so well. Keep up the incredible work.

Tommy

Terrific Tommy! Your hard work and reflection are the perfect recipe for success. It's amazing to see how you're making good choices and thriving. Your attitude towards improving your handwriting is especially amazing. Keep reaching for the stars, you're on a roll!

Arthur

YR3



There aren't enough superlatives in the English language to sum up this boy and his achievements but his start to life in Year 3 has been nothing short of remarkable. From brilliant blue pen editing to perfect cursive handwriting, from ambitious verb choices in English to precise reasoning in maths – is there anything this boy cannot do! It really has been a joy getting to know Arthur so far and Mr Wynne is so eager to see just how much he can achieve! Well done, Arthur!

Lenny



Lenny has amazed me this week with his knowledge in science! His ability to remember what we have done so far this year, as well as bring in knowledge from outside school to improve his work and learning has really astonished me. He is always so keen to share his ideas and build on his friends' learning, which has made our lessons so much more exciting! Keep it up Lenny!

Halle



I have been blown away by the amazing start to the year Halle has made. In every lesson, Halle challenges herself and creates a buzz in the class with her amazing contributions to discussions. Halle is quick to share ideas and help anyone in need – including Miss Walsh. Halle, you should be very proud of your fantastic start to year 4. Well done!

YR4

Lana



What a wonderful, independent young lady Lana is becoming! Lana has taken Year 4 completely in her stride – she is challenging herself in Maths, engaged and answering questions in English, working hard on her spellings, paying great attention to her presentation and generally just being fantastic. Well done Lana!

Teddy



Teddy has wowed me with how mature and Y6 ready he has become! He is such a good role model both in class and out in the playground. I am so impressed with his work ethic and how he is trying to do his very best in every piece of work. Lots of members of staff have noticed how great Teddy is so well done you! Keep it up!

Sienna

Super Sienna is always ready to learn. She is a great mentor to younger children and is helping the Reception children to get to the playground safely at lunchtimes. Sienna wrote a great diary entry in the role of a Victorian resident of Brighton, detailing the changes that had happened following the opening of the London to Brighton train line. Keep being fantastic Sienna!

YR6

Fin



Fin frequently wows myself and the class with his incredible work. His attention to detail (especially when completing art) is second to none. I so appreciate how Fin is always ready to learn! Thanks Fin



YR Rashford	Beatrix - Being amazing at talking about feelings.
Y1 Kahlo	Jacom - Handwriting Hero!
	Alexandria - Handwriting Hero!
Y1 Obama	Oakleigh - A super start to his English book with pleasing handwriting!
Y2 Attenborough	Robin - For her creativity and hard work in raising money for the Sussex Wildlife Trust.
	Macy - Handwriting Hero!
Y2 Parks	Asiyah - Handwriting Hero!
	Isobel - Sensational writing about Nigerian food!
Y3 Gandhi	Tommie-Lee - For making a strong start to his Year 3 maths work.
	Oscar - Hand-writer of the week – non-cursive last week, to fully cursive this week!
Y3 Pankhurst	Jack - Superb maths learning. .
	Talia - Handwriting Hero!
Y4 Mandela	Riyan - Handwriting Hero!
	Mariatou - Handwriting Hero!
Y4 Franklin	Lana - Amazing maths work.
	Eli - Exceptional Brighton and Hove Albion maths work.
	Amelia - Handwriting Hero!
	Darcie - Excellent home learning on writing a recipe!
Y5 Seacole	Amna - A first-class diary entry.
	Yahia - First class history work.
	Malakai - Super maths learning!
Y6 Turing	Ona - Excellent PSHE work on the human brain.
	Jessica - Handwriting Hero! Also a super poem.
	Seth - Writing a super poem.
Y6 Yousafzai	Sofie - A superbly crafted diary written from the perspective of a young Victorian person in 1901.
	Rania - A nicely penned newspaper report including the key features.
	Ruby - Working beautifully outside with a Year 1 child.

Stars of the Week

After School Club – Rec/KS1 – Otis in Rashford for settling in so well at A.S.C
KS2 – Yahia in Seacole for settling in so well at A.S.C

Lunchtime Stars of the Week

Tiger from Rockets for playing dodgeball and sticking to all the rules.
Thea and Ruby from Turing for kind and gentle mentoring in the Learning Garden.
Raffy from Kahlo for great sitting in the dining room at lunchtimes.

Play Champions

Reception – RASHFORD and THUNBERG

All the children who have been amazing at following our school values and dining room rules since starting school.

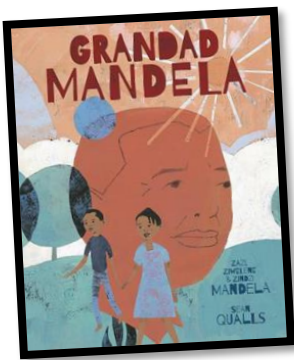


Hello all, every week the English Team and various adults around school share two reading recommendations for you and your lovely children to read.

Reading Research Alert:

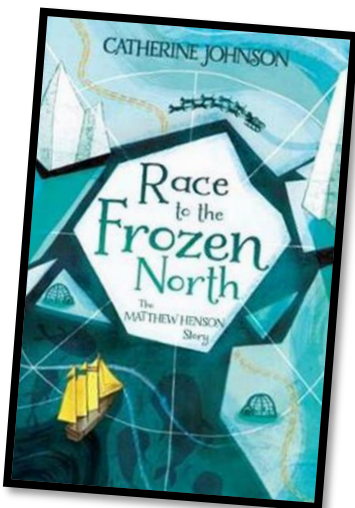
“Students who read for pleasure make significantly more progress in vocabulary, spelling and maths than children who read very little.” Sullivan and Brown 2013

Grandad Mandela by Zazi, Ziwelene and Zindzi Mandela, illustrated by Sean Qualls



This picturebook takes the form of a dialogue between Nelson Mandela’s daughter Zindzi and her grandchildren Zazi and Ziwelene during which she answers their questions about his life and the struggle against apartheid. The illustrations are by an African American artist whose work explores history, race and identity.

Race to the Frozen North. The Matthew Henson Story



Penniless and shoeless, 11-year-old Matt leaves home and walks to Washington DC in search of a new life. Taken in by the kindly Janey, he helps in her café. But, entranced by a customer’s tales of adventure on the high seas, Matt starts to dream of sailing the world. As he sets off to find work on a ship, little does he know of the deep challenges he’ll face and the incredible things he’ll achieve.

Because of the colour of his skin, Matt has to work harder than everyone else to get half as far. But by the time he’s twenty, he’s travelled the world, is a master carpenter and speaks several languages. On land, though, nobody cares. Then he meets Officer Peary, a man with a great ambition: to find the North Pole. Matt’s skills and abilities will prove essential to Peary’s endeavours – but will he get the recognition he deserves?

Based on the story of real-life 19th-century explorer Matthew Henson, Catherine Johnson’s light touch makes this remarkable story an exciting read and sheds important light on the way prejudice has white-washed the way we learn about the past....

Celebrating our Children's Academic Achievements

Expected Standard

	RKPS	Local Authority	National
Reading	96% *	79%	74%
Writing	77%	71%	72%
Maths	73%	72%	73%
Reading, Writing and Maths combined	69%	60%	61%

*highest in Brighton and Hove

Greater Depth

	RKPS	Local Authority	National
Reading	42%	35%	29%
Writing	8%	7%	13%
Maths	23%	22%	24%

PTFA NEWS / Events

Thursday 17th October
After School in the KS2 Hall

Join us in Willy Wonka's chocolate factory to purchase limited edition PTFA Wonka Bars
Lots of GOLDEN TICKETS available to WIN inside lucky bars!!!!

£2.50 per bar - All funds raised will be spent back on YOUR children in OUR school!

Good Luck!!!!

👻Spooky Dress up Day!
Friday 25th October

Please bring a £1 donation in on the day if you would like your child to take part.
Or you can transfer £1 to ...

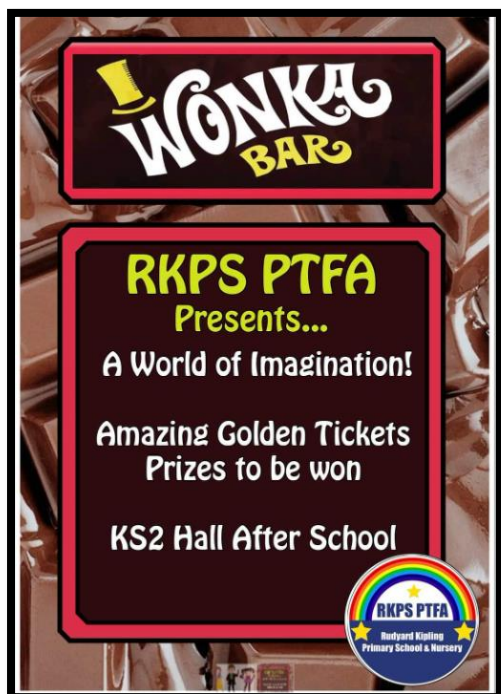
Rudyard Kipling Primary Sch PTFA
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~~Asda Rewards~~
Please no blood, gore or horror

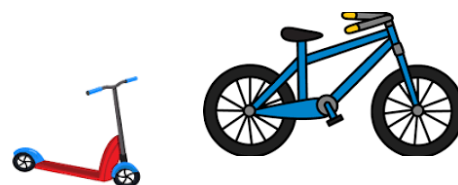
Wow! In only a few weeks this is what we have raised
£439.39



Don't forget to choose Rudyard Kipling Primary School on the Asda Rewards app. We have 57 days left to keep earning! (this works alongside your own rewards so there is nothing to lose)



Bikes and Scooters



This is a reminder that bikes and scooters should not be used on the school grounds. This is to limit the risk of injury to the individuals and others. Thank you for thinking of our school community.

SchoolPing



Due to parental feedback, we will now only be using SchoolPing for school communications and not Arbor. This limits duplication and ensures everyone is using one system. If you are not currently using Ping, we advise that you sign up to make sure to keep informed with school events and news. Thank you.

Secondary School Open Dates

Please see below the dates for secondary School opening evenings, Some schools will have bookable open mornings please see their Website for details

Patcham High School - Open Evening - Thursday 10th October 5.45pm-8.15pm

Cardinal Newman Catholic School - Thursday 24th October 4pm-6pm

Please find the attached link to apply before 31 October 2024 <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/node/121>



Year 5 Swimming

Please can your child arrive for swimming at 8.30am.

Make sure you send your child with a snack and a drink to have after swimming. They use a lot of energy while swimming and need a boost to keep them going until lunch time!

Thank You

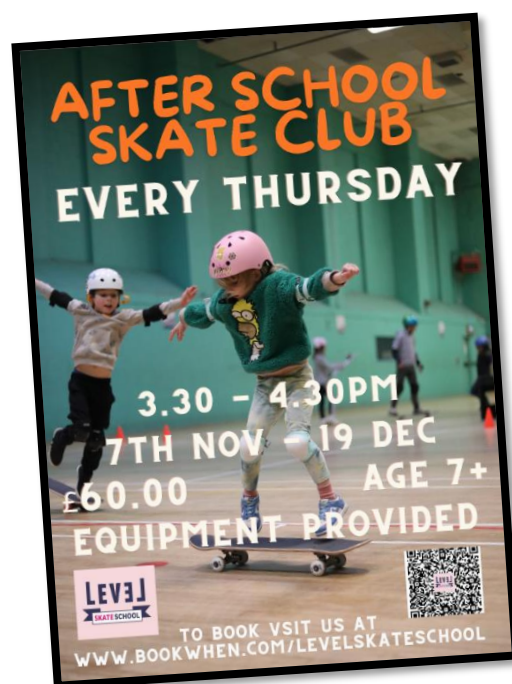
Mr Jones and the Year 5 Team

NEW: Skateboarding Club starting at RKPS!

We are excited to be able to offer a brand new skateboarding club after half-term for KS2 children. The club is led by experienced coaches and all equipment is provided.

If your child is new to skateboarding or would like to polish their core skills and tricks, then click the link below to find out more:

<https://bookwhen.com/levelskateschool?start=2024-11-07T00%3A00%3A00.000%2B00%3A00#focus=ev-sygz-20241107153000>



Our Amazing Robin!

On Saturday, Robin held a table sale in Woodingdean to raise money for the Sussex Wildlife Trust. She sold pot plants, cookies, books and homemade lavender bags, and raised an amazing £52.50.

Community Notice Board





OPEN EVENTS

Saturday 5th October, 10am
 Wednesday 9th October, 9:30am
 Thursday 14th November, 5:30pm
 Wednesday 20th November, 9:30am
 Wednesday 8th January, 9:30am

CALL US NOW TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE
(01273) 303328

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ULTIMATE CHALLENGERS

Introduction to Indoor Ultimate Frisbee
 Ages 8 - 14

When: Mondays 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
 (23rd Sept - 16th Dec, exc. 28th Oct)

Where: BACA Sports Hall, BNI 9PW



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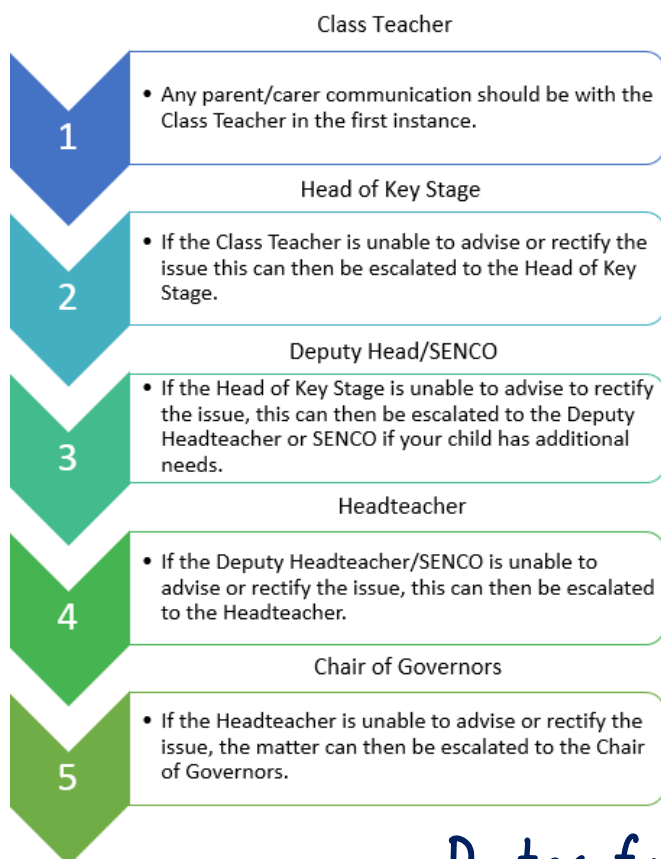
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Contact Laura 07900 441994

**Come and join our
 friendly community**

All Classes are Coach Led

Run by parents from the school



Head of Key Stages

Foundation – Ms A Smith

Key Stage One – Mrs V Brewer

Lower Key Stage Two – Mr N Wynne

Upper Key Stage Two – Miss L Vaughan

Arbor Parent App

Please make sure that when you are booking clubs, trips or ordering items, you complete the process by clicking through ALL stages. Bookings are not confirmed until ALL steps are completed in this process.

All bookings for clubs and trips are held within the APP so you can remind yourself at any time.

Not on App

School Meals (ParentPay)

Dates for the Diary

October 24	
Wednesday 9th	Reception 2025 Open Event, 9:30am
Thursday 10th	Y2 'Wescott Thursdays'
Wednesday 15th	Parent/Carer consultations 1 (3:40pm-6pm)
Thursday 16th	Parent/Carer consultations 2 (3:30pm-5:30pm)
Thursday 17th	Y1 'Wescott Thursdays'
Friday 25th	CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
November 24	
Monday 4th	CHILDREN RETURN
Wednesday 6th	Individual photos
Thursday 14th	Reception 2025 Open Event, 5:30pm
Wednesday 20th	Reception 2025 Open Event, 9:30am
December 24	
Wednesday 4th	One Voice Concert (Brighton Centre)
Monday 9th	KS1 dress rehearsal: 9am, KS2 dress rehearsal: 2pm
Tuesday 10th	KS1 performance: 9am, KS2 performance: 2pm
Wednesday 11th	KS1 performance: 2pm, KS2 performance: 5:30pm
Friday 20th	LAST DAY OF TERM
January 25	
Monday 6th	INSET DAY
Tuesday 7th	CHILDREN RETURN