



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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Headteacher Reports:

It's great to have our children back after the Easter holiday, all smiles and ready for an exciting term of learning.

We enjoyed a hugely successful PTFA Grounds Day during the Easter holiday when a small army of parents, pupils (past and present) and staff set about rejuvenating the outside areas opposite the Year 1 and 2 classrooms.

Now we just have to wait for the grass to grow and our KS1 children will soon be able to start learning outside every day. Mr McGauley has made some fantastic wonderful tuff spot tables using timber beams which will soon be used by our children. I would to thank everyone who came along and helped: we have such a special community spirit at Rudyard and this was on full display.

Mr Stanley organised the day superbly and we thank him for all his hard work towards further improving our outdoor spaces. This has included jet washing the playground paths: talk about attention to detail!

Today, is the inaugural PTFA 'Big Bounce' event which the children are extremely excited about! Our younger children will be bouncing on our PTFA bouncy castle whilst our older 'bouncers' will be hopping around on 1970s style space hoppers! All money raised will, as always, be used to buy new equipment and experiences for all our children to enjoy. One very special PTFA event is happening on Friday May 9th and will be revealed to the children in next Monday's assembly: the children will be excited!

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of accompanying our Year 1 historians to Lewes castle where they learned all about the castle's fascinating past. We are so fortunate to be located so close to Lewes and all its remarkable history: the children had a fantastic day.

Next week sees the beginning of our Summer Term 'Meet the Teacher' events where you will have the opportunity to come into school to find out what your child will be learning this term, routines and ask the teacher any questions you may have: it would be lovely to see you.

Warm weather is forecast for next week so thank you for sending your child into school with sun cream applied and a sun hat.

Have a wonderful, sunny weekend

Euan Hannington

Headteacher



Y1 and Y2 Learning Garden redevelopment



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness



YR Thunberg	Woody	<i>Superb phonics and learning behaviours!</i>
Y6 Yousafzai	Beau, Millie, Ronnie, Fletcher, Leighton, Henry	<i>Excellent 'angles' maths work.</i>

Reception 2025

We are excited to welcome all the families who have chosen RKPS as their school for Reception 2025. Due to our school's continued popularity, we currently have a waiting list for Reception. To all those families who have been allocated a space with us, we have a 'Reception 2025' admissions page on our website that includes lots of general information about our school. Welcome packs will also be sent to families in the coming weeks as we start transition.

We are all excited to welcome our new Reception children in a few months time.

Children's Parade



Children's Parade, Saturday 3rd May

Theme - Rudyard's entry is 'Running to Breathe, Running from Pollution'.

What to wear - Samba Band to wear green clothes; rest of the school to wear grey/silver clothing.

Costume making workshop - those not in Samba Band are invited to a workshop to make their 'city' hats out of cardboard boxes next Tuesday 29th April after school. Parents/carers must also attend so that once their child's hat is made, they can go.

Own Clothes Fundraising Day Friday 2nd May - wear your own clothes and bring in a donation to help fund the parade.

Cardboard boxes request - please bring in any boxes that can be worn as 'city hats'

World Bee Day

We're excited to share that we'll be celebrating World Bee Day on Tuesday, 20th May.

What is World Bee Day? World Bee Day is a special day to learn about the buzz-tastic work bees do for our planet. Bees help grow the food we eat and keep nature blooming. We'll be discovering how important they are and how we can help protect them.

Dress-Up Day! To help us celebrate, we're inviting children to dress up in outdoor or nature-themed costumes, or simply wear green! Here are some fun ideas:

- 🐝 Be a bee (yellow & black stripes, antennae, wings)
- 🌸 Be a flower (bright petals, floral crowns)
- 🐞 A garden creature like a ladybird or butterfly
- 🌿 Be a gardener (overalls, sun hat, gardening gloves)
- 🌱 Be a plant (leaves, vines)
- 🧑 Be a famous environmentalist

Or wear the colour green to show your support for nature.



PTFA NEWS / Events

QUIZ NIGHT

☆☆ Quiz postponed. New date 10th May 2025

📅 We had so much fun last time we want to do it all again!

🌟 Join us for RKPS PTFA quiz night 2025

🏠 Rudyard Kipling Primary School

🕒 Saturday 10th May 2025. Doors Open 7pm

🕒 Quiz Start 7.30pm
(8max in a team - 18+ only)

🍷 Bar & Snacks.

😊 Games

👏 We are thrilled to welcome our Quiz Master Guy Wickenden to our event.

💰 All funds raised are for Rudyard Kipling PTFA

Registered Charity number 1026027

RKPS PTFA

UPCOMING EVENTS

For **THIS TERM**

APR 25TH BIG BOUNCE
RKPS PTFA BIG BOUNCE. Join us for our sponsored bounce this year! Bouncy castle for KS1 and space hoppers for KS2

MAY 9TH SPECIAL GUEST VISIT
We have a very special guest visiting us for the morning. Watch this space for further clues...

MAY 10TH PTFA QUIZ NIGHT
Join us for a fun filled quiz night. Games, full bar and snacks. Don't miss out!!

MAY 16TH VE DAY CELEBRATIONS
Lots of fun activities planned to commemorate 80 years since VE day. Bake off, non uniform day and after school street party!

📱 CHECK OUT OUR FB PAGE FOR MORE INFO



Wescott Thursdays Summer 1

Next week's Wescott Thursday will be Year 3.

Forest School with Mr Wescott!

Next Forest School Sessions

Tuesday 29th April – Y1 Kahlo and Y1 Obama

Wednesday 30th April – Y6 Turing & Y4 Franklin

Thursday 1st May – Y2 Parks



* Please make sure children bring in a change of old clothes for the session due to mud and messy activities. Thank You!

Attendance at RKPS

As you are probably aware, there is a real focus this year on promoting good attendance at all schools across all age groups.

It is to be expected that all children pick up illnesses from time to time, and we have noticed that there are a number of children with a high level of absence due to headaches, tiredness, and tummy aches. These absences are all recorded as authorised illness, but we wanted to take this opportunity to remind parents about the expectations around attendance moving forward through the school year.

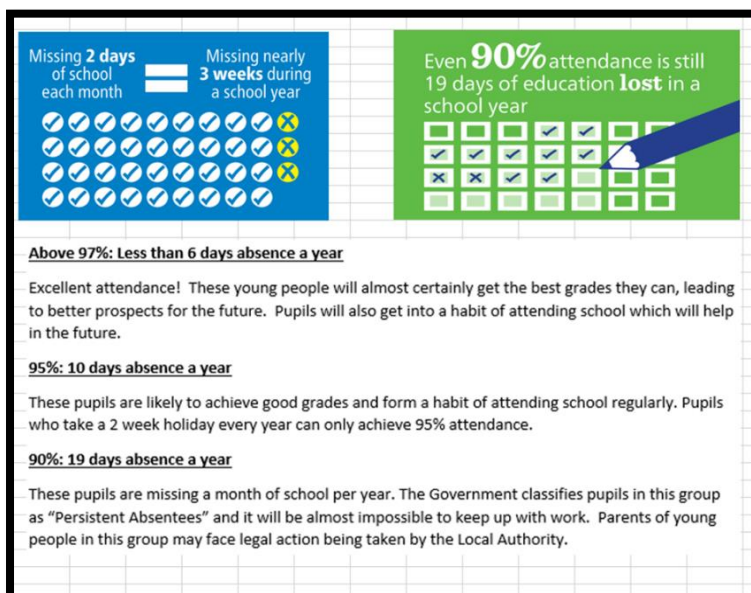
Every day is so important and we strongly encourage all families to aim for 100% attendance, in all year groups.

School Uniform

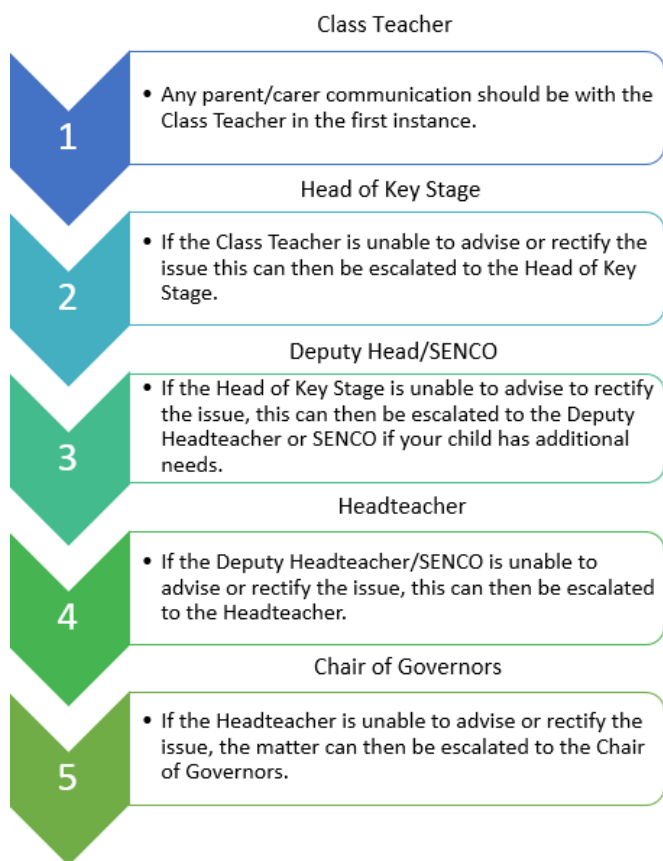
You may be aware that we experienced some issues with sizing with our schools' jumpers. This issue has now been resolved and therefore if you would like an embroidered school jumpers are now available.

The children continue to look super smart and proud to be representing our wonderful school in the local area.

All items can be order via the Arbor App.



And finally...



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

April 25	
Monday 28th	Y2 Meet the teacher (2:45pm)
Tuesday 29th	Y3 Meet the teacher (2:45pm)
Wednesday 30th	Rec Meet the teacher (2:45pm)
May 25	
Thursday 1st	Y1 Meet the teacher (2:45pm)
Friday 2nd	Non-Uniform Day for Children Parade Fundraiser (own clothes)
Saturday 3rd	Children's Parade
Tuesday 6th	Y4 Meet the teacher (2:45pm)
Wednesday 7th	Y5 Meet the teacher (2:45pm)
Friday 9th	PTFA Special guest visit
Saturday 10th	PTFA Quiz Night
Friday 16th	VE Day Celebrations: Street Party and Carnival
Tuesday 20 th	World Bee Day (Bee/Nature dress up day) <i>*Info to follow</i>
June 25	
July 25	
Saturday 5th	Woodingdean Carnival at RKPS
Monday 7th	SPORTS DAY - Rec 9.30 am & Y1 & Y2 1.30pm
Tuesday 8 th	SPORTS DAY – Y3 & Y4 9.30 am & Y5 & Y6 1.30pm



Community Notice Board



Fruidays
1515-16:15 from 25th
April to
18 th July 2025



Spanish for Everyone

For over 20 years we have been teaching Spanish and we are very happy to be the **Approved and Official** Spanish After School Provider at **Rudyard Kipling Primary School**

At Olé Spanish for Everyone we offer relaxed, fun and immersive sessions where students can learn through **games, food, songs and drama** at the **school premises**

Our team of teachers give personalised attention to each student, ensuring they speak Spanish with ease. Please scan the QR Code or click here to book your child's place. We run sessions every Wednesday & welcome children from Yr 1 to Yr 6.

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GROW YOUR OWN DAY SALE OF PLANTS & SEEDLINGS

Saturday 26th April
11.00-15.00

Woodingdean Community Centre
Warren Road, BN2 6BA

FOOD & REFRESHMENTS
RAFFLE

FREE ENTRY

Please bring your own bags to take the plants home

