



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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We have almost reached the end of another academic year.

As a school, we always aim to provide our children with exciting learning experiences, providing our young learners with myriad positive memories of their time in school and harbour a love of learning.

Encouraging our children to develop a life-long love of exercise and sport is a key driver for our school and I am so proud of all the varied sporting opportunities we provide for all our pupils. Last week, we were awarded the Platinum School Games Mark, a recognition of our long established sporting culture. Next week, we will be awarding the Christina Wilkinson trophy for the first time to one of our many exceptional sport-playing pupils.

I must thank all of the teachers who have supported our children on various sporting events and Mr Wynne and Mr Mack in particular for their immense work behind the scenes.

Our outdoor learning ethos continues to grow stronger still and our Forest School has become a quite majestic setting. Learning is always an adventure at our school. Thank you to those parents and carers who have volunteered in Forest School this year and thanks also to all the other volunteers who have found some precious time to come into school and support.

We wish our Year 6 leavers all the very best for their bright futures. Yesterday's two performances of Oliver were both incredible and our oldest pupils shone in the spotlight. Rudyard's long tradition of musical theatre continues. Our Year 6 leavers are a talented bunch and will be missed!

I would like to finish this final newsletter by thanking all of our school staff for their magnificent work this year. A school is only as strong as the adults who work within it and at RKPS with have many of the most dedicated, nurturing and skilled adults you will find in any school anywhere.

After school today is our PTFA Summer Fayre and it will be lots of fun as always. Hopefully, we will raise lots of money to benefit our children so I hope to see you there.

We break up for the summer holiday after school on Tuesday but, until then...

Have a wonderful weekend

Euan Flaxington

Headteacher



Year 6's Production of Oliver with a Twist!



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness

Special Mentions

Hattie



Hattie has grown in so many wonderful ways this past year, and we couldn't be prouder of her! She is kind, caring, and always respectful. Hattie is constantly looking for ways to improve her learning and challenge herself—and it shows! She has absolutely smashed her phonics and tackled marvellous maths with determination and enthusiasm. As a valuable member of Thunberg Class, Hattie brings positivity, focus, and joy to every day. You're fabulous, Hattie—keep shining!

YRR

Otis



Otis is sadly leaving us on Tuesday and we are going to miss him so much. He is full of joy and happiness and his cheerful energy brightens every day. Otis is super resilient and never gives up, no matter what the challenge. We all think he's absolutely wonderful and will miss his enthusiasm, kindness, and big smile. Good luck, Otis. Your next school is so lucky to have you!

Cara

YR1



Cara has shone brightly these last few weeks with her amazing readiness! Cara comes into school with a big smile every day. She loves learning new things, listening carefully and trying her best in all activities. The super energy that made her zoom around the racetrack on sports day is being channelled into excellent learning. Cara is ready to take on Year 2! Well done you star!

Connie



Courageous, creative Connie - what a journey you have been on this year! Your resilience has enabled you to mature and not give up, even if you're feeling fizzy. Your determination has made you Miss Rollason's Number 1 Assistant in Shooting Stars with your never-ending kindness, super organisation and perseverance when helping others in the group. Well done and thank you! We will miss you and wish you all the best at your new school.

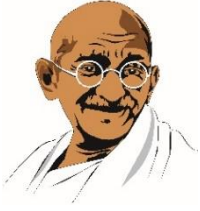
YR2

Dylan



Dylan, you are a true Rudyard Kipling role model! Throughout Year 2, your resilience and 'can-do' attitude towards all of your learning has been truly special to see. You are thoughtful and considerate of others, always willing to offer a helping hand, demonstrating all of our values each day. Your curiosity for learning, and resilience when faced with a challenge is inspiring! I know you will shine in Year 3 and beyond!

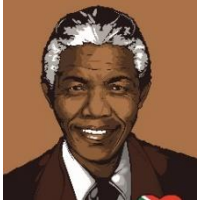
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Lottie

What joy it brings me to deliver this special mention to the lovely Lottie. I have watched her grow in confidence this year, excelling in so many areas and for that, she should be so proud. I am truly gutted my time with her has come to an end but the exuberance she shows is her next teacher's gift. I bet as we read this leaf, she'll be grinning from ear to ear - her smile is infectious. You simply can't help but be filled with happiness when you're around this girl. Thank you, Lottie!

Teddy



Teddy is one of the most delightful pupils a teacher could wish for. His attitude to learning is exceptional and his hard work is unmatched. A polite and caring boy, Mandela are very lucky to have had Teddy in our class and he should be very proud of his achievements in Year 4. He has shown resilience throughout the whole year and has continued to challenge himself right up to the final week. Keep on shining Teddy, your next teacher is very lucky to have you! Well done on a fantastic year.

YR4



Nina

Nina has so many positive qualities, it is hard to list them all. She is such a lovely, kind and funny friend, she is very caring and always checks that others are ok and she always gives her absolute best to her learning – listening, responding, being independent and producing beautifully presented work. Well done Nina – what a great year!

Mason



YR5

Ladies and gentlemen, make way for *Mason - Caractacus Potts Junior*! Bursting with creativity, curiosity and pure inventiveness, Mason wowed us all this week with his absolutely incredible puppet show! With his resourceful mind and flair for performance, he brought characters to life in the most imaginative way. Whether it's designing, building, or storytelling, Mason always finds a way to turn an idea into something magical. Keep those brilliant ideas coming, Mason - you're a true inventor in the making!

Year 6



What a fabulous Year 6 it's been! We have absolutely loved spending time with this year group – they're kind, empathetic and have a great sense of humour. Last night's show was the perfect finale to celebrate their talent and brought back so many wonderful memories.

YR6



We know each and every one of you is going to be incredibly successful in secondary school and beyond. Keep shining, Year 6 – we are so proud of you all! 🌟 Bravo 🥳

Stars of the Week

After School Club – KS1 – Amber-May in Thunberg for settling in so well.

KS2 – Jacob in Yousafzai for playing so well with younger children.

Play Stars of the Week

Andrea in Yousafzai for demonstrating impressive skipping skills and inspiring others to try.

Dexter in Seacole for taking up skipping and becoming very good at it!



YR Rashford	Malia	Super writing!
Y1 Obama	Oakleigh	For asking exceptional questions on our visit to Brighton Pavilion.
Y2 Attenborough	Laith	For being a Handwriting Hero!

The Christina Wilkinson Award

This upcoming Tuesday marks the end of the academic year, but it also marks something very special: the 'Christina Wilkinson Award for Outstanding Contribution to Sport' trophy, which will be awarded to a child/children. This is the first year we have handed out this award, and we hope it can go some way to recognising the legacy that Christina left here at our school particularly when it comes to sport. As many of you will remember, Christina worked at Rudyard and led on PE. Her impact was immeasurable and her legacy continues after her sad passing in 2023. We look forward to handing out the award; we know Christina would be very proud of the sporting attitude and effort shown by so many of the children here at RKPS!

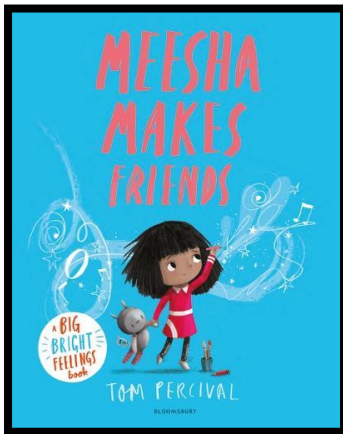


RKPS Reading Recommendations

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

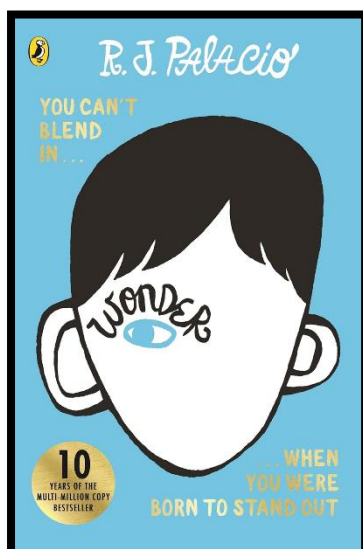
Reading Research Alert: *"Students who read for pleasure make significantly more progress in vocabulary, spelling and maths than children who read very little." Sullivan and Brown 2013.*

Meesha Makes Friends by Tom Percival



Meesha loves making things . . . but there's one thing she finds difficult to make – friends. She doesn't know quite what to do, what to say or when to say it. But one day she discovers that she has a special talent that might just help her navigate social situations – and maybe even make new friends. A warm and affectionate look at the joys and difficulties of making and keeping friends, relating to others, and finding your place in the world.

Wonder by R J Palacio. Book report written by Jacob M



This book is about an unfortunate boy born with a facial abnormality, a challenge for people starting in year 5. But by making good friends, falling out with some he gets through the year with many friends that back him up against bullies and year 7s. I think it's a good story because it gives multiple characters point of view. I enjoyed reading this book and rate it an outstanding 7.5 out of 10! I recommend this book to yr 5-6 children and people who joined this school recently.

Year 6's Oliver with a Twist.



School
Notices

 **Operation
Crackdown**

Anti-Social Parking

Please kindly respect our neighbours in Chalkalnd Rise and Downs Valley Road by not parking over driveways etc. Any anti-social parking will be reported to Operation Crackdown with registration numbers and photos. If you see any anti-social parking, we encourage you to report it.

For the safety of our whole school community we encourage you to park safely and if possible walk to school.



Lost Property

Any unnamed lost property will continue to be put in the lost property box by the main gate. Any uncollected lost property will be put in the clothes bank.

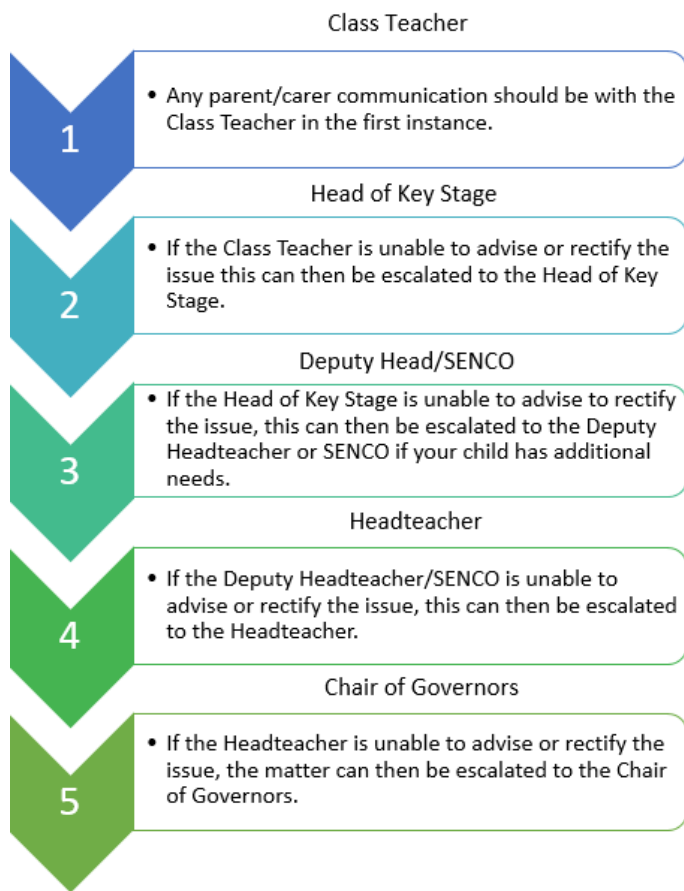
To avoid this, please make sure that any clothing worn into school or any other items are clearly labelled so they can be returned to children when misplaced.

We have laundry pens at the office should you require them.

Cloakrooms

Please make sure that any items in cloakrooms are collected. Any left items will be removed.

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

July 25	
Tuesday 22 nd	Y6 Leavers Assembly 2:15pm, KS2 hall
Tuesday 22 nd	LAST DAY OF TERM (SUMMER 2 ENDS)
September 26	
Wednesday 3 rd	INSET DAY
Thursday 4 th	CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL All About Me appointments – Nursery Autumn



Community Notice Board

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- Includes exciting performances and engaging routines.

Easy booking system with personalised logins

Booking history in one convenient portal



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MON - FRI | 8:30AM - 16:30PM

Week 1
11th - 15th Aug

Week 2
18th - 22nd Aug

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