



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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Headteacher Reports:

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Thank you to all those parents and carers who came along to our first Meet the Teacher events held this week; Years 1 and 4 are next Monday and Tuesday respectively. For those presentations that have already taken place, the PowerPoints which were shared are available to view on the class pages of our website. If you weren't able to make it along, perhaps take a look.

These Meet the Teacher events will take place at the beginning of each term and present a good way of finding out how you can support the learning your child is doing in school with additional learning at home.

Some exciting new pieces of playground equipment are soon to be installed in all three of our playgrounds, in all key stages. These are wholly funded by our PTFA through money that you have contributed in past PTFA events. If you are new to the school, I would really encourage you to come along to the AGM on Friday September 27th at 2pm to see how you might be able to help. All parents and carers are welcome so please try and make it if you can.

Our PTFA are a key part of our school and raise a serious amount of money. Anik, Lou and the rest of the team are planning an exciting schedule of events, for all our children to enjoy, whilst raising funds for the school. These will be used to buy further equipment and experiences for our children, ensuring that their time at RKPS is as special as can be.

To start this academic year, all classes across the school are studying the rather lovely book 'The Worry Tiger' by Alexandra Page. Alongside this, all children have been putting together their 'Helping Hand', identifying five adults, in school and at home, who they can speak to if they have a worry. Perhaps, you could ask your child who is on their 'Helping Hand'.

Although some way off, at the end of this newsletter, you will find the dates and times of our various Christmas shows this year: dates for your diaries.

Today was the first day of having all of our new Reception children in class: what a bunch of champions we have in both classes! It was been super seeing them settle this week and starting to form new friendships.

Wishing all families a wonderful, sunny weekend

Euan Hainington

Headteacher



Some of our new Reception starters!



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness

Special Mentions

Lyla



Wow! What a fantastic start to Year 1! Lyla has rocketed into this year with outstanding levels of readiness. Lyla sits with perfect posture and listens carefully to instructions. She freezes the second she hears our stopping signal and lines up still as a statue. Furthermore, Lyla's kindness towards others is incredible. We are so lucky to have her in team Kahlo!

Fox

YR1



Fox has been absolutely fantastic during the first full week of school! He has shown excellent behaviour through the day, and is someone I can always count on to be a helpful friend to his peers. What most impressed me this week was Fox's curiosity in Maths! We were working on number recognition and he began making full addition sentences for his number bonds without any help! Wow Fox, what great remembering! I hope you keep up the fabulous learning through the year.

Hermione



Not sure what happens next in a story? Need a helping hand to remember what to do? Well, Hermione our hero is here to help you! Wow, Hermione, what an incredible start you have had to Year 2! Your keen and excited response to our book, The Worry Tiger, has helped you remember so many facts from the story. Keep it up, you super-duper super star!

YR2



Brody

Brilliant Brody has had a fantastic start to Year 2. His readiness to learn has been outstanding! Brody you have tried tremendously hard to always listen and work hard. What a wonderful way to return to school after summer! WOW! Well done, Brody!

Luke

Luke has had an amazing start to the year. He has been a model student. Luke has been so helpful and kind to his friends. Keep it up Luke!

Carter

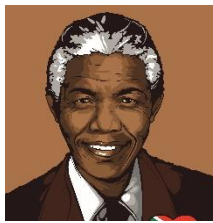
A new start can sometimes leave us feeling unprepared and worried - understandably so. If, however, you are Carter, ignore the above. This boy wonder has hit the ground running in Year 3 ensuring he is always showing readiness for every task. As a result, he has been a joy to teach and tackled all his learning with determination! Keep it up, buddy!

YR3



Jack

Jack had had a fantastic start to the year. He is always eager to learn and brings so much joy and excitement to the class! Well Done, Jack!



Harlow

Harlow has made a wonderful start to Year 4. She has been a kind and helpful member of Mandela class and should be very proud of herself for making such a strong start to the year. Well done, Harlow!

YR4



Matheus

Marvellous Matheus has made a fantastic start to Year 4 and shown great resilience. He comes in with a big smile on his face and is always wanting to share his wonderful ideas with us. Well done Matheus!

Asomi

Get ready. Get set. GO!! Asomi has consistently shown true readiness in every situation that comes his way, demonstrating a level of maturity you would expect from an adult – yet Asomi is only in Year 5! He has gone above and beyond to support a new child in our class, translating from English to Arabic and assisting with their learning during their first week at Rudyard. On top of that, Asomi also took on the role of a teaching assistant in maths, helping another student understand place value – wow! Keep it up, Asomi; you're absolutely smashing Year 5!

YR5



Rebeca

Rebeca has been shining so brightly in our class since coming back to school. She is always ready to learn, showing her teacher her best and taking such pride and care with the work that she produces. She is clearly everything we expect students to be at Rudyard Kipling and so impressively responsible and respectful.



Leighton

Leighton has had a fabulous start to Year 6, consistently embodying our school value of kindness. His thoughtful and caring nature has made a positive impact on all around him. He is always willing to lend a hand and offer support to others, making him a valued member of Yousafzai. I have been really impressed with Leighton's writing this week! He always brings such creative and thoughtful ideas to his work, and it's been a joy to see his imagination shine through.

YR6



Y1 Kahlo
Y1 Obama
Y2 Attenborough

Alexandria – For demonstrating all of our school's Values, especially respect.

Amber - Fantastic handwriting and attention to detail.

Jack- Impressive maths learning at home.

Rudi & Bear - Excellent presentations and for demonstrating the school Values.

Y2 Parks
Y3 Gandhi
Y3 Pankhurst

Kody - Super writing!

Adam - For such bravery reading out his poetry all alone when his group were off ill.

Harry - An amazing transformation in his handwriting!

Lenny - Impressive handwriting and a super start to Year 3.

Freddie - For being a maths magician!

Ole - Excellent attitude to learning.

Freddie - Superb reading comprehension.

Y5 Seacole

Phoebe and Matilda; Betsy and Hazel; Mia and Lily-Rose - Superb, paired history learning on Mary Seacole.

Archie - Excellent maths learning.

Y6 Yousafzai

Maxim - Creating a wonderful advert in English

Summer - Making some sensational word choices in her guided reading journal and also writing a wonderful poem at home!

Lunchtime Stars of the Week

Albie in Attenborough, Kody in Rockets, Luke in Rockets, Khaliyl in Parks for brilliant behaviour in the dining hall.

Cooper in Attenborough for inventing a brilliant water chute!

Equalities

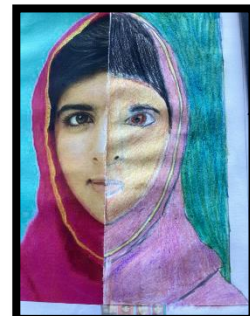
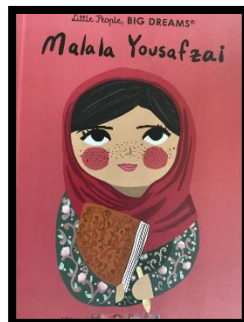
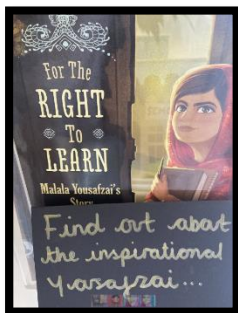


Malala Yousafzai: 'Our books and our pens are the most powerful weapons'

Year 6 found out about the inspirational Malala Yousafzai!

As we know, education is vital in promoting growth and development and is essential in ensuring equality. Our Year 6 class is named after Malala Yousafzai, who really champions equality in education. Malala was a girl who loved to learn but was told that girls would no longer be allowed to go to school. She wrote a blog that brought attention to what was happening in her beautiful corner of Pakistan and realised that words could bring about change. Malala is the youngest person ever to win the Nobel Peace Prize and has become well known in the international community for her diary about life under Taliban rule.

Year 6 have learnt all about her story, listening and reading many books and creating their own portrait of her. Check them out! Year 6 parents be sure to ask your children questions about Malala!



Wescott Thursdays

For our first Wescott Thursday of the year. Year 6 took part in an exciting Sports activity morning filled with energy, teamwork, and fun! This terms activity is a newly created game designed to test the teamwork skills of all pupils. The morning fostered friendly competition and encouraged everyone to stay active while having a great time being a team. It was amazing to see how well all the children supported each other, strategised, and cheered on their teammates. With smiles all around and plenty of enthusiasm, it was a memorable experience that highlighted the importance of needing to work and communicate together. Well done Year 6."

Week 1 Result Table

RUDYARD KIPLING Primary School & Nursery, Woodingdean				RUDYARD INTRA SPORTS	
				STANDINGS AFTER WEEK 1	
POS				PTS	
01.				4	
02.				3	
03.				2	
04.				1	
				WIN	4 POINTS
				2ND	3 POINTS
				3RD	2 POINTS
				4TH	1 POINT

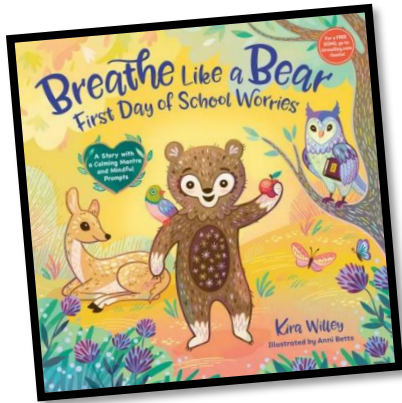


Hello all, every week the English Team and various adults around school share two reading recommendations for you and your lovely children to read.

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.

Tisha and the Blossom by Wendy Meddour and illustrated by Daniel Egneus



Companion picture book to Breathe like a Bear that helps kids feel calm and ready to meet new classmates!

This adorable picture book shows kids how to handle their first-day-of-school nerves through relaxing breathing practices. Kids can use these breathing techniques whenever they feel stressed or anxious. Cute animal characters and the relatable story make this the perfect read-aloud before returning to the classroom.

Bear can't wait to go to her first day of school. But she and a few of her friends are also feeling a little anxious. Luckily, Owl has the perfect words for them all to say to calm the jitters and help them recognize the similarities we share under the trappings of our uniqueness.

The Feeling Good Club: Smash Your Worries, Bella! by Kelly McKain and illustrated by Jenny Latham.



Join Bella, Archie and Shazmin as they help each other to feel good and face their worries.

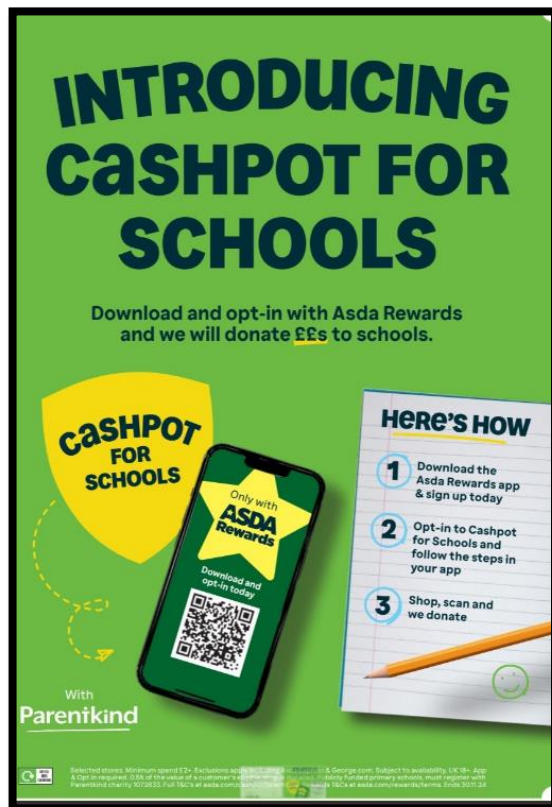
Bella couldn't be feeling worse about it being Feeling Good Week at school. With her best friend Rosh having moved away she's sad and lonely, and to top it all she has a Big Worry on her mind – the class talk. Then Bella's partnered with Shazmin and Archie and is surprised to see the shoots of a new friendship growing. They even form The Feeling Good Club to share their problems and express their feelings. But when Shazmin and Archie try to help Bella with her Big Worry things go badly wrong. How can Bella show her new friends how she feels?

PTFA NEWS

Asda Rewards

👏 Wow! In only a few weeks this is what we have raised with the Asda cash pot, an amazing £221.36

👤 Don't forget to choose Rudyard Kipling Primary School on the Asda Rewards app. We have 79 days left to keep earning! (this works alongside your own rewards so there is nothing to lose)



Bikes and Scooters



School
Notices

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.

No Smoking by our Gates



Please kindly help us keep the air free from smoke by not smoking near our school gates! This will create a more pleasant environment for our whole 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.

Fabulous Fitness Fridays

Due to popular demand Fabulous Fitness Friday will be back with a bang after half-term. Ms Nazarko and the future Sports Captains look forward to welcoming back familiar faces as well as some newbies at this lunchtime fitness club for YR, Y1, Y2 children.
More information to follow...



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

Varndean School - Thursday 19th September 4.30pm-7.30pm

Lewes Priory - Thursday 19th September 5pm-8pm

Dorothy Stringer High School - Thursday 26th September 4pm-7pm

Brighton Aldridge community Academy - Wednesday 2nd October 6pm-8pm

Longhill High School - Thursday 3rd October 6pm-8pm

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>

Reading volunteers needed!

We have been really lucky over the years to have a team of wonderful reading volunteers who have made up our Reading Support Network. If you can spare an hour (or more!) per week to work with children across the school, supporting them in their reading, we would LOVE to hear from you! If you have been a member of the Reading Support Network before and would like to re-join then please do!

This important voluntary role will not only develop your understanding of how children learn to read, but will make a massive difference to their reading progress.

How can I do this?

- Please contact the office with the day(s) and times (am or pm)
- We will need to complete a DBS form on your behalf, which is completely free. In order to complete a DBS we need to see three forms of current ID. Below is a list of documentation that we can accept.

We'd love to have your support helping our children become lifelong readers.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Some examples of ID include:

- Current valid Passport
- Current Driving Licence (UK) (Full or provisional) Isle of Man /Channel
- Birth Certificate (UK & Channel Islands) - issued at the time of birth; (full or short form acceptable including those issued by UK authorities overseas, such as Embassies, High Commissions and HM Forces)
- Mortgage Statement (UK or EEA) (issued within the past 12 months).
- Bank/Building Society Statement (UK and Channel Islands or EEA) (less than three months old).
- Credit Card Statement (UK or EEA) (less than three months old)
- Financial Statement e.g. pension, endowment, ISA (UK) (issued within the past 12 months)
- P45/P60 Statement (UK & Channel Islands) (issued within the past 12 months)
- Council Tax Statement (UK & Channel Islands) (issued within the past 12 months)
- Utility Bill (UK) – Not Mobile Telephone (less than three months old)



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

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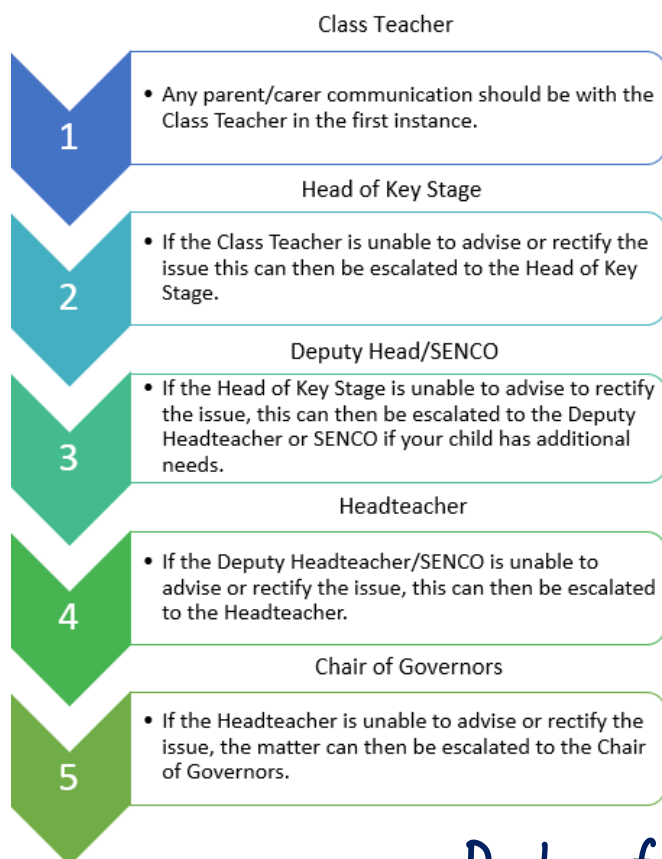
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And finally...



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

September 24	
Tuesday 17th	Y1 'Meet the Teacher' (14:45pm)
Friday 20th	Reception Topic Chat (13:00pm), Rec PTFA 'Very Hungry Caterpillar Tea Party 13:45pm
Thursday 26th	Y4 'Wescott Thursdays'
Friday 27th	PTFA AGM – All Welcome 13:30pm
October 24	
Thursday 3rd	Y3 'Wescott Thursdays'
Saturday 5th	Reception 2025 Open Event, 10am
Thursday 10th	Y2 'Wescott Thursdays'
Wednesday 9th	Reception 2025 Open Event, 9:30am
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	
Monday 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