



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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Last Saturday's Woodingdean Carnival was another fantastic occasion.

From the very early hours, over 60 stall holders arrived with their gazebos, ready to set up for the day. By 9:30am, both our sports fields were pretty much full and the visitors had an incredible choice of activity on the day. Some of the most popular included the giant Zorb balls, the football skills game and the Punch and Judy show. I personally love how inclusive Carnival is and really enjoyed watching the disability dance groups-they were amazing!

Carnival would not happen without the incredible work of the Carnival Committee, all of whom are volunteers. Ella and Anik are parents at our school and we thank them for all their hard work behind the scenes. I must also thank Mr McGauley and Mr Stanley for all their work to help make the event such a success.

This week's Sports Days were, as usual, a whole heap of fun. The children performed brilliantly and were very well supported by their parents and carers. Hats off to the adults who were game for a laugh and took part in the parent races: a special mention to Eli and Woody's mum who achieved the double!

Yesterday, our children were able to enjoy the special new addition to our KS1 playground: the Roleplay House. As usual, this was entirely funded by the PTFA-every penny which families spend at PTFA events goes towards new equipment and experiences like this one. The Roleplay house is ideally located in a shady position under a big tree, perfect in hot weather like this.

Next week is the final full week of term and is another busy one. The children will have their second Meet the Teacher session on Monday and next Wednesday I will be accompanying Year 1 to the Brighton Pavillion to appreciate all its splendour. On the same day, our Nursery children will be making their annual visit to Stanmer Park. Yesterday, our youngest learners enjoyed a magical time down in our Forest School, making clay faces and toasting marshmallows on the fire, among other fun activities. The Year 6 production of Oliver is next Thursday (rehearsals are sounding great!) and next Friday, your child will bring their end of year report home with them.

A final reminder that our PTFA Summer Fayre is after school next Friday-don't miss it!

We are in the middle of another heatwave so thank you for sending your children in next week wearing sun cream and a hat.

Have a wonderful, hot, weekend

Euan Flaxington

Headteacher



Sports Days



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness

Special Mentions

Emma



Emma is an absolute joy to have in Thunberg Class. She is mature, thoughtful and kind, always making others feel included and valued. Whether it's helping a friend or greeting adults, Emma brings warmth and positivity to all the class. Her learning is just as inspiring; she always goes above and beyond, particularly in her writing. Emma crafts beautiful sentences on her own and is always happy to show off her learning. She is a truly independent learner who takes pride in everything she does, and it's no wonder that every adult in Thunberg feels proud and lucky to work with her each day. Keep working hard you super star!

YRR

Roman



Roman has shown fantastic resilience this year. Even though phonics isn't his favourite, he gives it a go every single day, with determination. Roman never gives up and you can see that in the wonderful work he produces. His drawing skills have improved massively too, he's become quite the artist! His hard work is really starting to pay off and we love seeing him choose to write and create during his independent time. Keep it up, Roman. We're so proud of you!

Sailor



What an absolute star Sailor has been this week! I have been wowed away by her super writing in her setting description in our book Anna Hibiscus! Sailor has been really focused on improving her handwriting and it has certainly paid off! Sailor has also impressed with her bravery and talent with her singing audition for Rudyard's Got Talent. Without any friends or background music, she stole everyone's hearts with her performance. A huge well-done Sailor!

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Harli



Harli has been an absolute superstar this term, showing incredible resilience and determination in her work, even when things feel tricky. She bounces back with a smile, a can-do attitude, and a kind heart that's always ready to help others. Whether she's lending a hand, cheering up a friend, or making us smile with her big heart, Harli brings joy to our classroom every single day. She's thoughtful, caring, and full of sparkle—just like her favourite thing in the world... unicorns! Well done, Harli – keep being your magical, marvellous self!

YR2

Laith



Need someone to remember the job in hand and be an excellent role model? Well, look no further than our Legendary Laith! Wow, Laith, what a learning journey you've been on this year! We are so proud of the progress you have made in all areas of learning, but it is with your reading and writing where you particularly shine your light. Keep being the perfect example for 'Remembering' and applying all your learning so you can continue to shine even brighter.

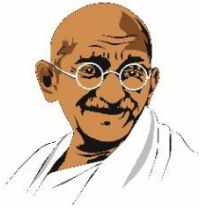
Jacom

YR2



Unstoppable Jacom! His resilience in his learning is inspiring, always tackling challenges head on and pushing himself to reach his full potential each day. Jacom can achieve anything he sets his mind to and will never give up when things get tough. Whether it's on the playground or in the classroom, Jacom's super resilience shines through and impresses us all. Keep it up, Jacom!

Adam



Like the squirrel who always remembers where it stored its food during winter, Adam has developed the skill of remembering absolutely everything he's been taught! Times tables, no problem. Ascenders and descenders, easy. Using adjectives and verbs in poetry, piece of cake! In fact, anything Adam applies himself to as of late seems like a piece of cake because he is a man on a mission! Well done, Adam, you really are wonderful!

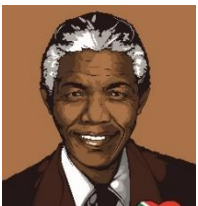
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Amina



Amina always shows readiness for school in every way. She is consistently keen to learn, always listening attentively, and eager to get started on tasks. Whenever she has a spare moment, you will find Amina practising her times tables and with this brilliant attitude, Amina will go on to achieve amazing things!

Arthur



Arthur is an absolute joy to have in class. When he joined Rudyard at the beginning of the year, we gained another superstar. Always radiating readiness, Arthur works hard in every lesson and consistently produces amazing work. He always works hard to challenge himself and also works hard to help others achieve. Arthur, Miss Walsh is very proud of your fantastic start at Rudyard and you should be too!

YR4

Eli



Eli is fantastic role model to so many of his peers in Franklin. This is due to the fact that in the classroom he is always sensible and mature, keen and ready to learn. On top of this, outside of the classroom, Eli is a fantastic sportsperson who not only loves to be playing sport and being healthy but also shows great team spirit and fairness. His excellent attitude both in and out of the classroom help him always achieve his best in everything that he does.

Luca

YR5



Step aside, Homer—Luca the Midnight Gamer has entered the storytelling arena! This week, he's been at the very top of his game, crafting an epic final chapter to The Adventures of Odysseus that had us all hooked. With powerful vocabulary, dramatic twists, and hero-worthy flair, Luca brought the tale to a truly legendary close. His imagination and effort have been next level. Game on, Luca—you've levelled up in storytelling and we're all seriously impressed!

Stan



Stan —you’ve had an amazing year! You never fail to brighten our day with your smile and your wonderful work. We’ve loved watching you grow, especially lately as you've been working independently. You're showing readiness for secondary school and we couldn't be prouder! Bravo Stan!

Oliver

YR6



Oliver always brings a smile to the class—and to me! He’s doing a fabulous job in the play, taking on multiple roles with ease and even volunteering to be a stand-in when needed. What really stands out is how Oliver makes each role his own—adding little touches that make them memorable and genuinely entertaining to watch. We love seeing you shine on stage, Oliver. Bravo!

Stars of the Week

Breakfast Club – KS1 – Moses in Obama for being a fabulous sofa monitor at A.S.C
KS2 – Ethan in Gandhi for helping younger children at A.S.C

After School Club – KS1 – Darcie in Obama for being so smiley, kind and helpful.
KS2 – Ruben in Pankhurst for being super helpful and fantastic milk monitor.

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 Thunberg	Bodhi Millie-Rose	Wonderful writing Amazing art work!
YR Rashford	Azaan	Wonderful writing
Y1 Obama	Ruby	For being a maths superstar!
Y2 Attenborough	Teddy	Super imaginative writing.
Y4 Mandela	Riyan	First class statistics maths learning.

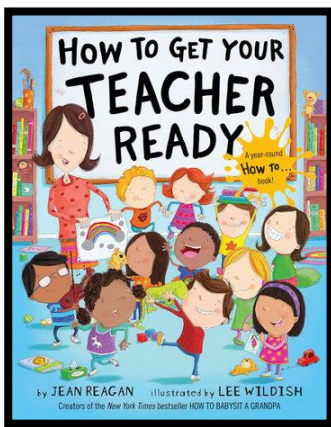


Hello all, every week the English Team and various adults around school share two reading recommendations for you and your lovely children to read.

Reading Research Alert: "There is a growing body of evidence which illustrates the importance of reading for pleasure for both educational purposes as well as personal development."
Clark and Rumbold, 2006.

Over the next couple of weeks, the English team will be recommending books to help with children transitioning onto a new school year 😊

How to Get Your Teacher Ready by Jean Reagan and illustrated by Lee Wildish

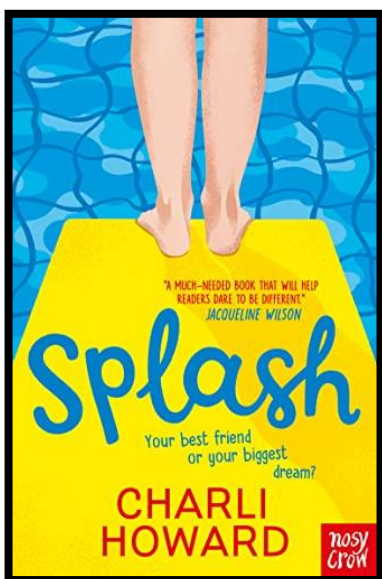


Everyone focuses on getting kids ready for school, but what about teachers? How do they get ready for the year ahead?

In this light-hearted and funny "How To" book, the kids are the ones in charge, and they have a lot to say about what their teachers should be doing. Young readers will learn a lot about what to expect from the new school year through the children's instructions.

Filled with energy, humour and warmth, this is the perfect book for little ones getting ready to go back to school!

Splash by Charli Howard



Molly is in her final year of primary school, with secret dreams of becoming an Olympic swimmer. Having always lived in the shadow of her manipulative friend, Chloe, Molly finally has the chance to compete in a regional swimming contest and define herself on her own terms. But with the pressure of fitting in, and the sudden arrival of her mysterious mum, will she give up on her dreams for a shot at popularity? A hugely exciting debut with a classic underdog story, a wonderfully relatable protagonist, and an important message of friendship, body positivity, and celebrating who you are.

I recommend this to Years 5/6, it is really important to have books like this that validates feelings about body image that are such a normal experience for many young people. I also really liked that Molly's enjoyment of swimming demonstrates how positive taking part in sport can be. What comes through strongly is the way in which swimming provides a healthy physical outlet as Molly processes her emotions and how being part of a team improves her self-esteem.

Times Tables Rockstars

FINAL TTRS Battle of the Bands of the year!

The final whole school Battle of the Bands of 24/25 starts TODAY at 3.30pm and ends on Thursday 17th July at 4.30pm. Certificates will be handed out in the following day's assembly.

Equalities

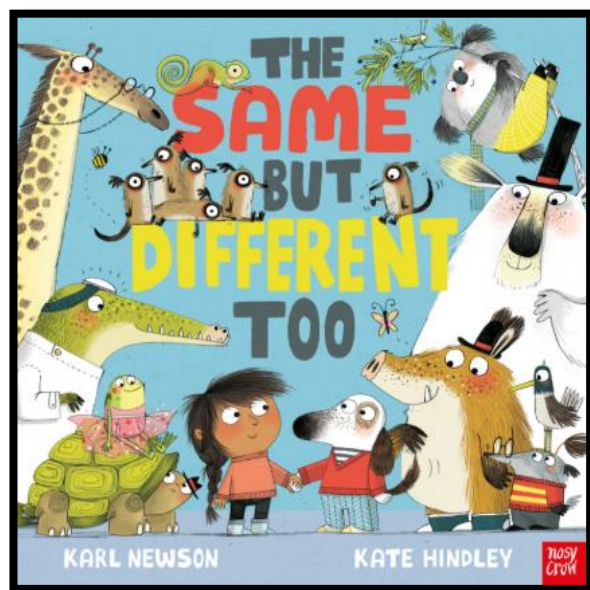


As we reach the end of our Reception year, we've been thinking about how we've grown and changed and how everyone changes in their own way. It's been a wonderful opportunity to explore equality through this theme of growing, changing and celebrating differences.

We talked about how we've all learned new things this year. Some of us are reading, some are amazing at building, others are brilliant at making friends. We reminded ourselves that it's ok to learn at our own pace and in our own way. That's what makes each of us special!

Isaac (Rashford) said "If we were all the same it would be so boring", to which Klara added "and we would keep getting everyone mixed up".

At the end of the lesson, we read *The Same but Different Too* together.



Amazing Year 2 drummers





School Notices

Wescott Thursdays Summer 2

Next week's Wescott Thursday will be Year 1.

Forest School with Mr Wescott!

Next Forest School Sessions

Tuesday 15th July – Y2 Attenborough AM and Y2 Parks PM

Wednesday 16th July – Y4 Mandela AM & Y4 Franklin PM

Thursday 17th July – Y3 Pankhurst PM

PLEASE MAKE SURE CHILDREN HAVE A CHANGE OF CLOTHES THAT INCLUDE TROUSERS. This protects children's legs from scratches, stings and prickles.

* If you would like to help at Forest School please contact the school office and/or look out for Pings that are sent out.



Summer camp and NEW clubs

We are delighted to be working closely with Bright Spark Sports, who will be running a summer camp with us over the holidays. They have a range of engaging activities to keep you children engaged and busy during the summer. You can book via the code on the flyer enclosed on the notice board at the back on this newsletter.

NEW clubs starting in September:

- **Performing Arts Club** – B.A. Academy – flyer include in this newsletter (Mondays)
- **Glow dodgeball and Nerf Club** – Can be booked through Bright Spark Sports (Mondays and Fridays)
- **Spanish Club** – 'Ole' Spanish for everyone - flyer include in this newsletter (Fridays)

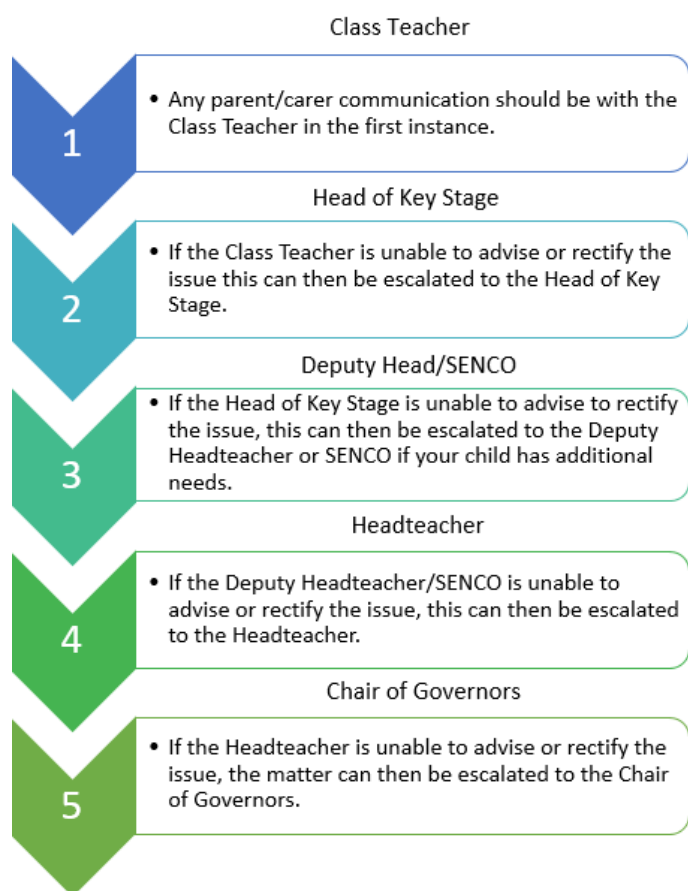
Lost Property

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.

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	
Monday 14 th	Meet the Teacher 2
Wednesday 16 th	Armstrong visit to Stanmer Park, 10:30am to 1:30pm Armstrong CLOSED!
Thursday 17 th	Y6 Productions 2pm and 5:30pm
Friday 18 th	Summer Fayre
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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ALL SUMMER LONG

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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 **Reception to Yr 6**.

Thursday
15:15-16:15 from 12th Sept to 12th Dec 2025

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NEW AUTUMN CLUB

MUSICAL THEATRE CLUB

RUDYARD KIPLING PRIMARY

MONDAYS

Why your child will love our club:

- Extremely experienced Musical Theatre teachers.
- Exhilarating sessions with the perfect mix of singing, dancing and acting.
- Designed to build confidence, teamwork, and self-expression in a supportive environment.
- Through playful drama games, vocal warm-ups, choreography, and storytelling, they'll develop stage presence, rhythm, and expressive movement.
- Includes exciting performances and engaging routines.

Easy booking system with personalised logins

Booking history in one convenient portal





Bright Spark Sports

MULTI -ACTIVITY Holiday Camp

Exciting Activities for Ages 5-11.

Rudyard Kipling Primary School, BN2 6RH

Free HAF spaces available!

Early & late pick up and drop off options available

Enjoy over 30 different activities and sports:

- ✓ Nerf Wars, Bubble Football & Glow Dodgeball
- ✓ Archery, Uni hoc, Football & Basketball
- ✓ Circus skills, arts & crafts and many more!

£29.50 per day*
*sibling discount available

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

Week 1
11th - 15th Aug

Week 2
18th - 22nd Aug

HAF
Holiday Activities and Food

Book Online: www.brightsparksports.co.uk/holidaycamps

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