



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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Headteacher Reports:

It's been a busy week of learning adventures to mark the final week of the Spring term.

Year 3 enjoyed a fun, historical trip to Brighton Museum to deepen their knowledge of Ancient Egypt. Mr Campbell accompanied our cricketers to an indoor tournament at BACA. Our players played with considerable skill finishing third out of eight teams.

Many thanks to Neal and Euan's mum, Claire, for kindly leading another successful girls' football session. This was part of the FA 'Made For This Game' campaign which aims to 'unlock equal opportunities in football for women and girls'. We are very fortunate to have UEFA qualified coach Claire to help grow the footballing skills of our girls across the school.

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of spending the day with our Year 6 adventurers over on their 'right of passage' residential. They really are the most super bunch of children and approached the canoeing, archery, problem solving and Giant Swing with a great positive mindset. Accompanying a group of children on a residential requires serious stamina and you couldn't wish for four more positive spirited adults than Miss Vaughan, Mr Wynne, Miss Davies and Miss Farrow. Many thanks to them all for providing the children with this special opportunity: our Year 6's will remember it forever!

Photos and video clips are available to enjoy on our RKPS Instagram page so take a look and follow us if you do not already do so.

Wishing our whole school community a wonderful Easter holiday and we look forward to seeing the children again on Monday 13th April.

Euan Harington

Headteacher



Year 6 Residential Adventures



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness

Special Mentions

Jay

YR



Jay has been working really hard on his resilience and is making lovely progress. He approaches everything with such care and always gives his best effort. Jay is an absolute pleasure to have in the class who works so hard in everything he does. He is also a Numberblocks super fan, and his enthusiasm for numbers always shines through! Well done, Jay. Keep on shining!

Solara



Super Solara, what a breath of fresh air you are! You are always showing readiness in everything you do, whether that's being a super readiness role model on the carpet, or getting started on your learning. Because of your readiness to learn, you have made exceptional progress, especially in your reading and your phonics. Keep being a super star, Solara – we are so proud of you!

Y1



Klara

Klara, it is such a joy to have you in Obama class. Your kindness and respect for others shine through in everything you do. You lead gently by example, making you a true Rudyard role model. We are so proud of the thoughtful, considerate person you are becoming—keep being you, Klara!

Amina



Awesome Amina, you really are amazing! Your reflectiveness has empowered you to become such an independent learner and a trailblazer as a creative writer, poet and problem-solver. You are not only an inspiration and role-model to everyone, you impart your skills and knowledge to others so kindly, thoughtfully and modestly. We are so lucky to have you in Attenborough class!

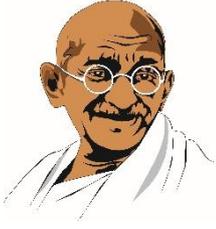
Y2

Greta



Great the Great - our singing, smiling resilience superstar this week! Greta has been working hard this term, and we are so proud of the resilience she is beginning to show. She is putting in so much effort in both her writing and maths, tackling challenges more independently each day. Even when things don't go her way, Greta is learning to pause, reset and try again with determination. That takes real strength, Greta - keep going, you are doing brilliantly! Thank you for inspiring us to believe in ourselves.

Teddy



43 What an excellent end to the term Teddy has had! He has knuckled down and got really stuck into his learning this past week. When finding it hard in maths he has been able to ask for support and overcome the challenges. In English he is trying hard to use his neatest handwriting and check his writing is clear and well punctuated. Teddy is kind and helpful towards others around him, always offering a helping hand. Have a fantastic birthday tomorrow and keep up the great work!

Joshua



Joshua has been working hard in maths, particularly when learning about fractions. He has been challenging himself to try more difficult questions and showing great determination when things feel tricky. It has been fantastic to see his confidence grow as he tackles new concepts and explains his thinking. Keep up the brilliant effort Joshua!

Isabelle



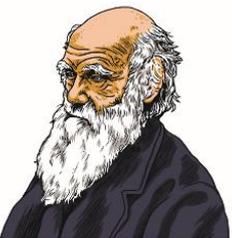
With a cheeky grin and a smile on her face, nothing fazes Isabelle. She doesn't see mistakes as negatives. Instead, she sees them as an opportunity to learn, grow and improve. She is an expert in picking up her blue pen to edit her learning. This takes a lot of resilience and thankfully is as resilient as steel. Keep it up!

Rowan



44 Franklin class have been thrilled to welcome Rowan this half term. Always ready for learning and pushing through the trickier tasks, Rowan embodies the Rudyard value of resilience. This week, Rowan has conquered challenges such as creating a role on the wall for the first time, dividing single digit numbers by 10 and collaborating to write a song. Look out world, here comes a very remarkable child!

Max



45 Max consistently shows a super learning attitude, demonstrating all of our 5 Rs and every single one of our school values every day, and is such a wonderful role-model for his peers. It never ceases to amaze me how he is able to apply himself to all his learning in such a positive and enthusiastic way. He is very resilient and will embrace challenges that come his way. On top of this, he is always willing and keen to help both his peers, and adults. He is definitely Year 6 ready!

Willis



This term, Willis has stood out with his amazing remembering, especially in history. He loves sharing what he knows about the Space Race and always brings interesting facts into class discussions- including his knowledge from outside of the classroom! He's also such a kind, caring, and thoughtful person, and he really helps make the class a great place to be. We're lucky to have him!



YR Thunberg	Hudson	Superb writing and sounding out!
Y1 Obama	Klara Isaac Amber May Heidi Rose	Excellent writing about lambs! Excellent writing about lambs! Excellent writing about lambs! Excellent writing about lambs!
Y2 Kahlo	Isaac	Amazing, independent writing!
Y3 Gandhi	Eren	Independent and creative writing.

Cricket Event at BACA

On Tuesday, our cricketers represented the school brilliantly at an ACE event held at BACA. They competed in three matches, securing two impressive wins and only narrowly losing to the eventual tournament winners. This meant they finished an excellent 3rd out of 8 teams overall, which was a fantastic achievement.

Throughout the day, the children showed outstanding sportsmanship and resilience, alongside some superb batting and bowling skills. They supported one another brilliantly and played with real determination. Well done to everyone who took part - you were true ambassadors for Rudyard and should be very proud of yourselves!



Amazing Ruben and Halle at Cross Country



Weekly Maths Challenge

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	12		24	48
7		63	28	56
				24

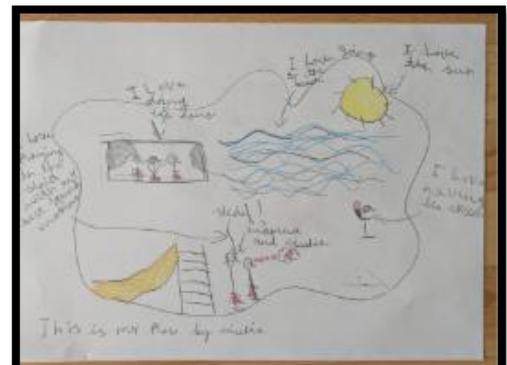
Made For This Game

On Wednesday 25th March, we joined schools and clubs across the country to celebrate the 'Made For This Game' initiative - a government and FA-backed campaign promoting equal access to football and encouraging more girls to take part. Held annually after International Women's Day, it highlights the message that *girls belong in football*. Thank you to coach Claire for providing an amazing coaching session for all our girls.



EQUALITIES

In Year 2 this half term, we have thought about what makes us feel calm and we have designed our own happy places. Also, during Neurodiversity Week, we celebrated our differences, as well as making connections and thinking how we can support each





Wescott Thursdays

The next Wescott Thursday will be **Year 5 (16th April)**.

Forest School with Mr Wescott

Tuesday 14th April – Year 5 Seacole AM

Tuesday 14th April – Year 1 Obama PM

Wednesday 15th April – Rockets & Year 6 Yousafzai AM

Wednesday 15th April – Year 4 Franklin PM

Thursday 16th April – Year 2 Parks AM



RKPS Park Run Takeover

On Sunday 26th April, Rudyard will be hosting a Parkrun takeover! However, there is no expectation for anyone to run at all.

If you want to come along, volunteer, help, support, cheer on or marshal, then please read on...

The event requires volunteers to ensure it is able to take place. If this is something you would be able to help with, then please email: prestonparkjuniors@parkrun.com to confirm that you will volunteer on the day and **also email me back** so I know how many people we have attending.

You must register beforehand and can do so here, free of charge www.parkrun.org.uk/register/ or scan the QR code.



Here are details of the event:

- Address: Preston Park, London Road, Brighton, BN1 6HN
- Arrival time: 8:40am
- Meeting point: Chalet Café (in the middle of Preston Park) Mr Wynne will meet you there next to two Rudyard flags!
- If you are interested in volunteering, please email the event team on prestonparkjuniors@parkrun.com It is great fun and a lovely way to meet new people

Mr Wynne

Attendance at RKPS – Every Day Matters

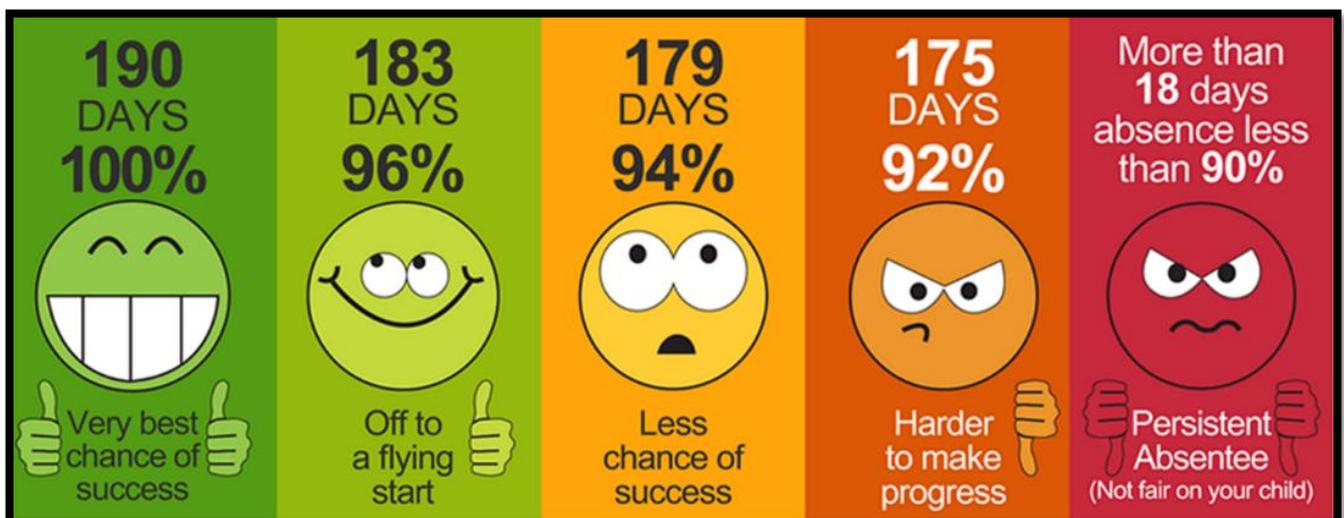
Attendance at RKPS

While it is expected that children will pick up illnesses from time to time, we have noticed that some children are missing school for low-level symptoms such as headaches, colds, tiredness, and mild tummy aches. Our expectation is that children should still attend school when experiencing these minor illnesses.

Reporting absences. we have to record a reason for every absence from school so it is important that we have contact from an adult on each day of absence. If your child is too unwell to come to school please telephone the school office on 01273 303328 before 9.00am to let us know the reason,

Medical/ Dental Appointments Please try to avoid making appointments during school time where possible. Parents/carers must let the school office know in advance of any planned appointments during school time and must provide a copy of a letter / card or a text message confirming the appointment. If this is not provided school will be unable to authorise these appointments.

Lateness The school day starts promptly at 8.45am, so you need to ensure that your child is on the school premises before that time. Late arrivals are disruptive to the whole class and often embarrassing for your child. We take the view there are no late children, only late parents. Arrival after the close of registration will be marked as unauthorised absence in line with the Department of Education guidance. Persistent lateness can also incur a fixed penalty fine from the Local Authority. Any children arriving after 8.45am must be accompanied to the school office by the parent /carer, where they will be asked to sign them in. Lateness is monitored regularly. Where children have persistent lateness problems, we will inform parents/carers of school concerns by letter, or invite the parents into the school for a meeting.



Schools Mental Health Service

Does your child struggle to go to school? Do you sometimes find it hard to know how to respond?

The Schools Mental Health Service Family Support Team will run an informal drop-in workshop at school on **Wednesday 15th April from 9-10.30am**. Come along to meet the Team and get some support for yourself with this tricky situation. Also, learn about what's available if you need further support for your child.

If you need any further information, please contact Tara Bryant in the Inclusion Team.

Spring/Summer Menu

Freshly Baked Bread, Salad, Yoghurt and Fruit available daily.		Brighton & Hove Spring/Summer 2026					caterlink feeding the imagination	(V) Vegan Wholemeal
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
WEEK ONE 13.4 4.5 1.6 22.6 13.7 7.9 28.9 19.10	Option 1	Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza 🍷	Pork Sausage Roll with Homemade Paprika Wedges	Marinated Roast Chicken Breast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Wholewheat Penne Pasta Beef Bolognese 🍷	MSC Fishfingers with Chips & Homemade Tomato Sauce		
	Option 2	Vegan Chili with 50:50 Rice	BBQ Vegan Sausage Pasta 🍷	Lentil Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy (V)	Cheesy Baked Bean Puff or Vegan Baked Bean Puff with Homemade Jacket Wedges	Falafel with Chips & Homemade Tomato Sauce (V)		
	Jacket Potato	Baked Beans (V)	Cheese	Baked Beans (V)	Tuna Mayonnaise	Cheese		
	Vegetables	Carrots & Peas	Rainbow Coleslaw & Sweetcorn	Roasted Summer Vegetables & Carrots	Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Peas & Baked Beans		
	Dessert	Chocolate Shortbread (V) 🍷	Pear & Raisin Cake with Custard or Golden Cookie(V) 🍷	Jelly with Ice Cream or Vegan Custard	Golden Cookie (V) 🍷	Vanilla Shortbread with Fruity Friday (V) 🍷		
	WEEK TWO 20.4 11.5 8.6 29.6 20.7 14.9 5.10	Option 1	Pork Sausages with Mashed Potato & Gravy	Sticky Chicken Noodles	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza 🍷	Breaded Fish with Chips & Homemade Tomato Sauce	
Option 2	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry With 50:50 Rice(V) 🍷	Vegan Quorn Sausages with Mashed Potato & Gravy (V)	Roast Quorn (V) with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Wholemeal Pasta with a Vegetable Tomato Sauce (V) 🍷	Mexican Bean Roll with Chips & Homemade Tomato Sauce (V)			
Jacket Potato	Cheese	Tuna Mayonnaise	Baked Beans (V) & Cheese	Baked Beans (V)	Cheese			
Vegetables	Sliced Carrots & Peas	Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Cauliflower & Peas	Sweetcorn & Grated Carrot	Peas & Baked Beans			
Dessert	Apple & Raisin Flapjack (V) 🍷	Gingerbread Cookie(V) 🍷	Jelly with Mandarins (V)	Vanilla Sponge with Chocolate Custard or a Golden Cookie (V) 🍷	Oaty Cookie with Fruity Friday (V) 🍷			
WEEK THREE 27.4 18.5 15.6 6.7 31.8 21.9 12.10	Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Chicken & Bean Enchilada Bake with Jollof Rice 🍷	Roast Chicken Breast & Stuffing with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Farm Assured Beef Burger with Seasoned Potatoes	MSC Fishfingers or MSC Salmon Fishfingers with Chips & Homemade Tomato Sauce		
	Option 2	5 Bean Chili with 50:50 Rice (V) 🍷	Vegan Mince Bolognese (V)	Mediterranean Gratin with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy (V)	Vegan Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce with Wholemeal Pasta (V) 🍷	Spinach & Cheese Whirl or Vegan Spinach & Cheese Whirl with Chips & Homemade Tomato Sauce		
	Jacket Potato	Baked Beans (V)	Tuna Mayonnaise	Cheese	Baked Beans (V) & Cheese	Cheese		
	Vegetables	Carrots & Peas	Coleslaw & Sweetcorn	Carrots & Cabbage	Sweetcorn & Broccoli	Peas & Baked Beans		
	Dessert	Chocolate & Banana Oaty Square (V) 🍷	Summer Lemon Cake or Oaty Cookie(V) 🍷	Peaches(V) with Ice Cream or Vegan Custard (V)	Cornflake Tart with Custard or Jam Tart with Vegan Custard (V) 🍷	Fruity Shortbread with Fruity Friday (V) 🍷		
	Packed Lunch	Hot Vegan Sausage Baguette	Ham & Cheese Baguette	Roast Meat Baguette	Cheese & Cucumber Wholemeal Sandwich 🍷	Hot Pork Sausage Baguette		



And finally...

Dates for the Diary

March 26	
Friday 27 th	LAST DAY OF TERM
April 26	
Sunday 12 th	PTFA Grounds Day (10:00-14:00)
Monday 13 th	CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL
Wednesday 16 th	Reception 2026 Offer Day
Tuesday 28 th	Y1 Trip to Sea Life Centre

Notice Board



Spanish for Everyone
Learn Spanish the Fun Way
At Rudyard Kipling

Every Friday of the Summer Term from 3:15pm - 4:15pm.

For several years we have been running our Spanish club at the school, and our students are a true testament to our work. They:

- Speak Spanish
- Sing in Spanish
- Play games in Spanish
- Learn with confidence and develop a native accent.

Our sessions are lively, engaging, and designed to help children develop real language skills in a fun and supportive environment. We welcome children from Year 1-Year 6.

Fridays 3:15-4:15



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Swimming Lessons

AquaSwim provides high-quality swimming lessons for children aged 3+ and adults in Brighton and Hove. With experienced instructors and a safe, supportive, and fun environment, we help every swimmer – from complete beginners to confident swimmers – reach their full potential.

Lessons we offer:

Child Group Lessons (3+) – Fun, engaging sessions that build confidence and essential swimming skills.

Adult Group Lessons – It's never too late to learn, improve technique, or build confidence in the water.

1:1 and 2:1 Sessions for adults and children – Personalised coaching tailored to individual goals and learning pace.

Intro To Synchro: Try our Intro to Synchro class and discover the fun, fitness, and creativity of the sport.

Why us:

- ✓ Free parking at all venues
- ✓ Free taster session for all
- ✓ Small class sizes for focused, individual support
- ✓ SEN-friendly, inclusive teaching approach
- ✓ Fully insured and safeguarding compliant

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