



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

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Headteacher Reports:

Earlier this week, all school staff received training on 'Benedict's Law'. This is a new set of statutory requirements and legal duties around schools maintaining consistent allergy standards.

A number of our children have food allergies and we are hence extremely vigilant around what we allow in school. We are nut free and egg aware: we do not allow children to share food at lunchtimes.

In response to this new legislation, we are changing the way that we celebrate children's birthdays and are allowing a child to come into school on their birthday in non-school uniform should they wish. If a child's birthday falls over a weekend or in a holiday, they are welcome to come dressed in their own clothes on a school day closest to their birthday. This is of course optional: many children prefer to look smart in their RKPS school uniform!

On the subject of food, I will be reminding our children in Monday's assembly that we are a healthy school and that crisps or chocolate are not permitted as a breaktime snack. Our children are allowed a sweet treat at lunch time but the breaktime snack should be a piece of fruit or similar. I have been busy taking photos of children's healthy lunchboxes: lots of cucumber, carrot and tomatoes which is great to see. I will be sharing these with the children on Monday. Thank you for taking the time to provide your child with a healthy lunch which helps them be at their brain best.

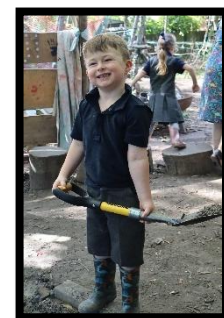
Finally, from Monday-for the safety of all our school community-the staff car park will be closed. We have a few families with children with additional needs who have a private arrangement with us to use the staff car park and this will remain.

Thank you for your understanding as we keep all of our children safe.

Have a wonderful weekend

Euan Hannington

Headteacher



Forest School Adventures



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness

Special Mentions

Y1



Ben

Ben has been showing us what it means to be Year 1 ready from the very first day! He is such a kind, polite and thoughtful member of Obama class, and he brings the most wonderful attitude to everything he does. What makes Ben so special is his determination — even when something feels tricky, he keeps going. With his caring nature and eagerness to learn and grow, Ben is already proving himself to be a true Rudyard role model! Keep it up brilliant Ben!

Casper



Need the right resources ready for independent learning? Casper's organised and ready to go! Need a role model to show you how to be learning ready? Look no further than Casper! Calm Casper – you embody Readiness with your perfect posture, quiet manner, good looking and listening and good thinking. You are such an asset to Attenborough class and an inspiration to us all. You super star!

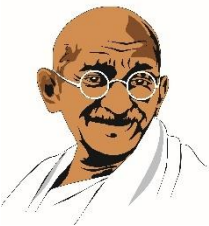
Y2



Millie-Rose

Millie-Rose is our Parks Class Queen of Readiness! She comes into school each morning with a brilliant attitude and is always ready to get started. Millie-Rose even helps the whole class be ready by laying out the books each day! Parks class are so lucky to have you. Keep shining, Millie-Rose — you are doing an amazing job in Year 2!

Darcey



Darcey has shown amazing reflectiveness in Year 3! She is brilliant at looking back at her work, making corrections and thinking about how she can improve. This thoughtful attitude has even made its way onto the playground, where she reflects on her choices and behaviour. Darcie, you should be very proud of how thoughtfully you learn and grow!

Y3



Logan

Logan, what an absolute pleasure you are to have in Team Pankhurst! You are the ultimate hard worker, team player and reflective hero. You are constantly pushing yourself into your growth zone and are always keen and happy to reflect and uplevel your work. You see 'uplevelling your work', as exactly that, an opportunity to grow. Keep up the hard work and effort, we cannot wait to see what you are yet to achieve in Year 3. What an amazing start to the year, superstar.

Jessie



Joyful Jessie! What an absolute delight it is to teach you! Organised, thoughtful, brave, polite, ambitious, respectful... the list could go on and on. This week Jessie has taken his independence to a new level and is courageously starting tasks on his own, working with talk-partners when he isn't sure and getting stuck into new challenges like it's the most natural thing in the world. I am so impressed with your positive attitude to learning Jessie. You are going to achieve huge things this year!

Y4



Tallulah

Tallulah has had a fabulous start to Year 4. She always shows a wonderful readiness to learn and approaches every task with enthusiasm and determination. Tallulah gives her all in everything she does and consistently produces beautiful pieces of work that she can be very proud of. It has been lovely to see her confidence and positive attitude shine, and we are excited to see all that she will achieve this year. Bravo, Tallulah

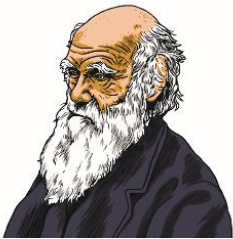
Orya



Orya brings so much joy to our classroom with her brilliant sense of humour and fantastic attitude to learning. She is always keen to give an answer a go, and it has been fabulous to see her confidence grow and grow!

Everyone needs an Orya - she is a real !asset to Team Mandela!

Y5



Frankie

Frankie is always looking to make his learning the very best quality. He challenges himself consistently and makes use of resources and scaffolds to ensure he can put in 100% effort! Frankie always puts a smile on my face when he expectantly asks me, "where is the next challenge?" Great work Frankie, keep it up.

Jamie



Jamie is so resilient when it comes to his learning! He is constantly pushing himself and is so incredibly helpful to others too. He always has a spare moment to support his fellow classmates. Great work Jamie!

Grace



What an inspiration Grace is to teach! She is a talented writer, an exceptional mathematician and, as I've recently discovered, a top-notch glass engraver too. She listens carefully, approaches every task with calm determination and is always ready and willing to go the extra mile to support her classmates. Grace is a true role model with a genuine passion for learning, and I'd love her to recognise just how brilliant she really is. Grace, I cannot speak highly enough of you. Believe in yourself, keep aiming high and never be afraid to show the world what you can do!

Y6



Darcie

Do you need a model student? Do you require maturity in abundance? Ever wanted a learner who displays readiness for every task? Well, look no further - Darcey is the student for you! She truly is a breath of fresh air and Yousafzai herself would be proud knowing Darcie is in a class named after her. Despite her Year 6 journey only just beginning, Darcie is showing signs of secondary school readiness such is her focus, drive and determination to succeed. The sky is the limit for this girl!



Nursery	Hadley	For learning about the different emotions.
YR Rashford	Vito	For being a phonics master!
YR Thunberg	Hudson Scarlett	For being a very kind friend. For mastering the sound 'a'!
Y1 Obama	Rex	Super handwriting.
Y2 Attenborough	Ernie	Fantastic writing about Nigerian food.
Y3 Gandhi	Lily and Harli Moses Oakleigh and Amber	Excellent presentation in maths. An impressive day's learning. For being a maths magician!
Y3 Pankhurst	Alexandria and Greta	Super English work on similes.
Y4 Franklin	Macy Albie and Josh Louie Khaliyl Stanley	Superb spelling! Excellent diary entries from the perspective of Bradley Chalkers. Super handwriting and an excellent diary entry. For being a writing wizard! Impressive maths and English learning
Y4 Mandela	Ben Tallulah and Robin Aiden and Teddy Freddie Albie	Super history learning. Excellent paired learning in maths. A super start to his Year 4 maths learning. For being a writing wizard! Pleasing maths work.
Y5 Seacole	Luke, Stanley, Charlotte and Freddie Henry	Excellent drama linked to Arthur and the Golden Rope. An impressive start to his English book.
Y6 Yousafzai	Mariatou and Darcie; Eli and Charlie; Ruben and Keira Bradley Amelia	Fantastic locomotive timelines. A super Victorian workhouse letter Sophisticated writing.

Stars of the Week!

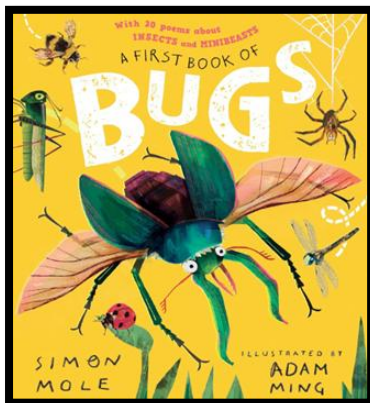
Breakfast Club

KS1 – Anna-Barbara and River in Rashford for settling in so well.

KS2 – Darcey in Gandhi for being so kind and caring to the new Reception children and helping them settle.

Reading Recommendations

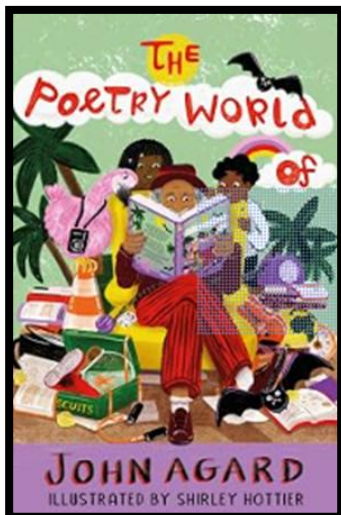
Dr Seuss: "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go!"



EYFS & KS1: *A First Book of Bugs* by Simon Mole and Adam Ming

This wonderful collection of poetry celebrates the fascinating world of insects and minibeasts. With playful poems and interesting facts, it encourages children to look closely at the tiny creatures they might find in their own gardens and playgrounds.

It makes poetry feel exciting and accessible. It is full of rhythm, humour and opportunities for children to join in, making it a fantastic choice for National Poetry Day. This year's theme is 'Wonder', and these poems are sure to inspire plenty of it!



KS2: *The Poetry World of John Agard* by John Agard

John Agard's poems are full of energy, humour and clever wordplay. This collection brings together poems that explore identity, language, history and the world around us.

Agard's poetry encourages children to play with words and think differently. His poems are perfect for reading aloud and performing, reminding us that poetry isn't just something to read quietly – it is something to enjoy, share and bring to life.

Wescott Thursdays

The next Wescott Thursday will be **Y4 Franklin (1st October)**.

Forest School with Mr Wescott

Tuesday 29th September – Year 6 Yousafzai AM

Tuesday 29th September – Year 2 Parks PM

Wednesday 30th September – Year 4 Mandela AM

Wednesday 30th September – Year 1 Obama PM

Thursday 1st October – Year 5 Darwin AM



School
Notices

Secondary School Open Evenings

BACA – Thursday 1st October, 6pm – 8pm

Longhill – Thursday 8th October, 5pm-7pm

School Car Park Arrangements

To help keep everyone safe at the start and end of the school day, please note that the school car park is for staff use only. **Due to the size of the car park and the limited space available, we are unable to allow families to use it for dropping off or collecting children.**

We have one Blue Badge parking bay on site. As we have a significant number of families who hold Blue Badges, we want to ensure that access is managed fairly, consistently and safely. For this reason, access to the car park is restricted. Requests for access are considered on an individual basis, taking account of disability-related needs, safeguarding considerations and the safe operation of the site.

If you have an agreed arrangement to use the car park, please be aware that vehicles must not enter or leave the car park while families are arriving or departing. Access will be managed by Mr McGauley, our Site Manager, to ensure the safety of all children, families and staff.

Due to the limited space available within the car park, we are unable to guarantee the availability of a parking space. Where the designated Blue Badge bay is occupied, alternative parking within the school car park may not be available.

From Monday, the car park gates will remain closed during the school day to prevent unauthorised access. While we appreciate this may cause some inconvenience, this step is necessary to help protect the safety and security of our whole school community.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

PTFA News

 RKPS PTFA AGM

 Friday 16th October 1.45pm

 Rudyard Kipling Primary School dining hall

 Everybody is welcome! ❤️

? Would you like to be more involved with the events that happen at the school?

? Would you like to be involved with how we spend and donate our funds?

? Would you like to have prior knowledge of the events ahead?

? Would you be able to help, no matter how often or little? Even as little as an hour once a year is helpful!

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.



Code of Conduct



Welcome to our School

All visitors shall abide by the following Code of Conduct

- All parties should be polite and not raise their voices.
- Show courtesy and respect for others' opinions.
- Please do not insult, abuse or use offensive language.
- The use of sexist, racist, ageist or homophobic language is not acceptable.
- Derogatory personal comments regarding others is not acceptable.

If the code of conduct is not followed, we may ask you
to leave the premises.

And finally...

Class Teacher

1

- Any parent/carer communication should be with the Class Teacher in the first instance.

Head of Key Stage

2

- If the Class Teacher is unable to advise or rectify the issue this can then be escalated to the Head of Key Stage.

Deputy Head/SENCO

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- If the Head of Key Stage is unable to advise to rectify the issue, this can then be escalated to the Deputy Headteacher or SENCO if your child has additional needs.

Headteacher

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- If the Deputy Headteacher/SENCO is unable to advise or rectify the issue, this can then be escalated to the Headteacher.

Chair of Governors

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- If the Headteacher is unable to advise or rectify the issue, the matter can then be escalated to the Chair of Governors.

Head of Key Stages

Foundation – Mrs Goss

Key Stage One – Mrs V Brewer

Lower Key Stage Two – Mrs Steele

Upper Key Stage Two – Mr N Wynne

Dates for the Diary

September 26	
30 th September	BACA visiting Y6
October 26	
3 rd October	Reception 2027 Open Morning (10am)
7 th October	Reception 2027 Open Event (9:30am)
8 th October	Chef John Visiting Y6
13 th October	Parents Evening: DAY 1
14 th October	Parents Evening: DAY 2
16 th October	European Day of Languages, PTFA AGM meeting (1:45pm)
21 st October	Reception 2027 Open Event (5:30pm)
November 26	
4 th November	Individual photos, Reception 2027 Open Event (9:30am)
6 th November	PTFA Diwali Event (3:30pm)
13 th November	Children in Need Kindness Day, Whole School Flu Vaccinations
19 th November	Chef John visiting Y6



Notice Board

Open Events

Is your child starting Reception in September 2027?



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Dates

Saturday 3rd October at 10:00
Wednesday 7th October at 9:30
Wednesday 21st October at 17:30
Wednesday 4th November at 9:30
Wednesday 6th January 9:30

Book your place by
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