



Rudgwick Primary School News

Friday 25th March 2022

Spring Week 11

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we continue to reduce the Covid restrictions within school we thoroughly enjoyed our Star assembly in the hall this morning. It was lovely all being back together again. From next week, we will also have our Monday assembly together in the hall. In addition, Reception class and KS1 classes will have lunch at the same time, in the hall, before going outside to play. KS2 classes will all have lunch play together before returning to their classes where they will eat.

It has been a very busy week for many of our children as they have represented their school with pride, passion and effort. We had a team of gymnasts visit The Weald School on Wednesday evening for a Gymnastics performance. We were the only primary school taking part along with students from The Weald. It was a very creative and complicated routine which looked spectacular and Mrs Thompson said they were amazing!



A group of girls from Year 5 and Year 6 took part in netball and football matches, also held at The Weald, on Wednesday afternoon. Given the limited opportunity they have had to play these sports together (a very quick tutorial in the rules of netball was required from Mrs Davies), they too performed with admirable effort. In assembly they described the event as "tiring but fun". I am so pleased to hear this as such opportunities should be fun, so well done for trying so hard, against some significantly larger schools, and enjoying yourselves.



As if that wasn't enough, our Year 5 class visited Chichester Cathedral on Thursday to take part in a live musical performance put together by West Sussex Music Service. They were one of many schools performing and, incredibly, only had two weeks to learn the five songs they performed. They sounded fantastic! Word perfect, smiles on faces, actions in the right places at the right times. The families that came along enjoyed it and wished it could go on for longer. One of the children told me they were "so nervous because there were so many adults, they even had to stand up, but we did really well." They sure did! We were very proud of them, and all of our children this week – well done!



This week also saw the completion of our new school library. The children are very excited and can't wait for all the books to go onto the shelves. I am sure you will agree, it looks amazing and will help us to continue to encourage that love of reading our children have.



Finally, another well done and a BIG thank you to all of you. We had our second and final cake raffle collection to raise money for the D.E.C. Ukraine Appeal today. Having previously raised £300, you went even further today raising a further £370. A total of £670 will be donated. This is so generous, thank you all for your thoughtful and kind contributions.

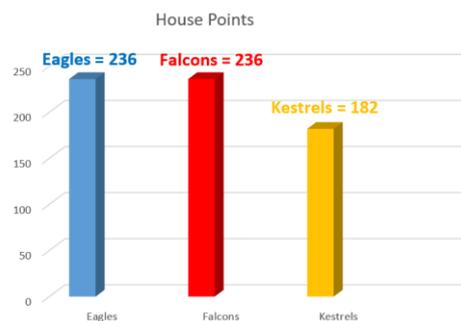
Happy Birthday



Congratulations to Rufus, Max M, Alexa, Paige and Alfie, who all had their birthdays this week. Please do send a photo into the school office as we love to see how you celebrated at home.

This term's core value is **INSPIRE** and the wider values for the half term are **Responsibility** and **Ambition**.

Well done to Eagles and Falcons for a draw this week! – well done everyone!



Our reading raffle winners are:

R/KS1: Jack S-Y (2)

KS2: Elsie L (6)

Well done to our times table awards:

Bronze: Henry B, Sofia D

Gold: Zoe

And additive number bond badges to:

10: Martha C, Zaine



Star Awards

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| Africa (Year R) | Sidney | For being such a friendly and positive role model and for showing great care towards others. |
| | Michael | For showing Mrs Mellors how wonderful he can be at writing out his name. |
| Asia (Year 1) | Joshua | For continually impressing us all week and trying really hard with his learning and independence. |
| | Cai | For expressing such excitement, enthusiasm and knowledge whilst learning about the oceans in Geography. |
| Europe (Year 2) | Norah | For developing so much as a learner, especially in writing, and going above and beyond in her efforts. She always tries hard and it's really paying off. |
| | Freddie B. | For always being so proactive when sharing his ideas and helping others to learn. He has especially shone when learning in science. |

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| Australasia (Year 3) | Zoe & Hanna | For demonstrating our value of 'care' as they supported another member of the class when she needed them. |
| Antarctica (Year 4) | Duncan K-F | For believing in himself and having a positive attitude to her learning |
| | James F-J | For following school rules and being an exemplary role model |
| North America (Year 5) | Luca S | For your enthusiasm and focus in our singing rehearsals. |
| | Freya M | For excellent mathematical thinking and use of key vocabulary. |
| South America (Year 6) | Erik | For having a really positive attitude this week and working really hard. |
| | Freddie C | For believing in yourself and having a positive attitude to all learning. |

We have been learning

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| Africa (Year R) | <p>We have had yet another amazing week, in Africa class! The children have been without their usual teachers this week and they have all impressed us with how they have taken everything in their stride and continued to be amazing learners. 'Our Wonderful World' topic has led us to thinking about environmental issues e.g. pollution, deforestation and the climate crisis this week and what we can do to help our planet. In maths, we have continued to practise and consolidate our learning of number bonds using the part-part-whole method. We have learnt another three sounds in phonics - /ire/, /ear/ and /ure/, taking us to the end of set 3 sounds in our phonics programme! Well done everyone! We had fun filled sessions in Woodland Learning and French this week, which we all thoroughly enjoyed, as well as PE with Mrs Davies, continuing movement to music. It was our first time in a long time sitting in the hall for Star Award Assembly with the whole school and they all did great sitting and listening. Such super stars!</p> |
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| Asia (Year 1) | Another busy week in Year one, we started it off with learning about length and height in maths and were comparing each other, using the language of tallest, shorter, longest and bigger. In PE, we had another great lesson with Mrs Davies and we are doing so well at remembering and practising our dinosaur dance - it looks amazing! Woodland Learning was great fun this week, especially as the sun was shining for us. In English, we are still learning our core text of 'Tyrannosaurus Drip' and we have started changing the ending to the story and creating our own. In music, we are continuing to learn to play the ukulele. In RE, we learnt about the Easter Story and have started making our own comic strip. Finally, we are continually looking and watching our plants growing as part of our science learning and we have some shoots starting to grow! Very exciting! |
| Europe (Year 2) | What a lovely week of sunshine filled learning we have had! In our maths, we have begun to learn about fractions and took the small steps of making equal parts using quantities and finding half. In English, we wrote about other people's experiences, made predictions about what could happen and using adjectives to describe how the city looked at the end of the story. In science, we observed our plants closely and recorded our findings of our 'test' plants also. In PE, we loved the sun and spent time practising our ball skills and playing team games. In computing, we have begun to look at music through media. Music and French are some of our favourite things to enjoy in the school week. We hope the sunshine lasts into the weekend! |
| Australasia (Year 3) | This week, we have continued our work on play scripts in English, writing a play script in a small group to perform to the rest of the class. We have imagined scenes that could take place in our class text, as Iliona the Roman slave girl travels from her home in the city to the countryside farm that the Master and Mistress own. In maths, we have been adding and subtracting lengths, and we have learned all about magnetism as a force in our Science lessons. As part of our topic work we have been learning why the Romans built their own roads when they settled in Britain, and how and why they used Roman baths. |
| Antarctica (Year 4) | We have really enjoyed the sunshine in Year 4 this week! Our Tudor topic is really interesting-this week we learned about Edward VI and we had to decide whether we thought he was a puppet king based on various sources. We have planned and written love letters between Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn - we are a very romantic bunch in Antarctica class! In Maths, we are learning about tenths and hundredths and how we use them on number lines. In Science, we started to plan an experiment on tooth decay. We are using eggs to represent the enamel on our teeth and we are placing the eggs in different liquids for a week to see which liquid causes the most tooth decay. In Computing, we started recording our podcasts ready to be edited with sound effects. In French with Mme Kent, we learnt about how to expand our sentences using adjectives. |

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| <p>North America (Year 5)</p> | <p>Thursday was the highlight of the term, and possibly the whole year! The children did an incredible job, performing in the 'Voices Together' concert in the stunning and sunny surroundings of Chichester Cathedral. Despite the short notice, they worked so hard and nailed the songs, doing themselves and us proud. Hopefully it was a day they'll never forget. Thank you to all the adults who were able to come along and support, again at short notice, and to those who were able to provide lifts so that everyone could get home. The rest of our week was exciting, busy and productive! We are learning more about court proceedings as we begin to draft our closing speeches to the judge in the case of the Crown vs. the Bradbury children, we have learnt how short multiplication can help us with decimal place number problems, coded our own games in computing and made shelters using tarps, ropes and different knots in woodland learning with Mrs Davies. Well done to all the children who attended the 'This Girl Can' sports festival at The Weald – Mrs Davies was impressed with how much effort you put in and how brilliantly you represented the school.</p> |
| <p>South America (Year 6)</p> | <p>A great week we have had and the sunshine has really helped! In maths, we have been learning about angles and how to find missing angles in a range of contexts. We have started to design our own places on the Land of Neverbelieve - it has been great to see the children's imaginations go wild! In science, we have been learning about fossils and what we learn from them and in PE, we continued developing our hockey skills. The children also created their front covers for their learning journals this week by monoprinting animals found in the Galapagos. They look absolutely amazing!! We have also been developing our games in computing - we have used scratch to make and improve a catching game. I would also like to take this opportunity to say a big well done to the girls who attended the 'This Girl Can' sports festival and those who performed in the gym display at the Weald this week – you have represented the school brilliantly and you should be really proud of your achievements.</p> |

PTA News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Rudgwick Cake Raffle

Well done Sophie (Y6) who was the lucky winner of the magnificent cake from Mrs Williams. Thank you to all who bought tickets. Today's total of £370 will be added to the £300 from two weeks ago, to be donated to the Disasters Emergency Committee fund for the Ukraine.

Co-op Mobile App

Have you downloaded the Co-op app yet? If not, Co-op have a fantastic offer running until 19th April, if you join as a new member, select Rudgwick Primary School as your cause and spend £10 in store they'll give you a voucher for £3 off your next shop. The App offers regular vouchers that you can scan in store for money off and also is a handy way to have your membership card on you at all times! [Download the App here](#) and save on your shopping whilst helping support the school!

PTA Event Planning – Spring / Summer

FINAL CALL...We'll be hosting our next PTA event planning meeting next week on **Wednesday 30th March** from **8pm** at **The Fox** pub. It's an informal get together to start planning next term's exciting events, namely the Jubilee celebrations and Summer Fair. We'd really welcome a helping hand either organising one of the events or being there to assist on the day. Please do join us for a drink, all ideas and offers of support welcome!

Congratulations to our latest lottery winner:

19/03/2022

Mrs. King-Fisher

£17.40

Thank you all for your continued support!

Diane, Victoria, Anna

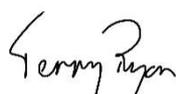
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We are a NUT AWARE school due to the allergies that some of our pupils have, with every effort being made to ensure that no nuts, or products containing nuts, are brought in to the school.

Diary Dates

Please use the new school website for all diary dates. There is a link to the school calendar with to all pupil events. <https://www.rudgwick.w-sussex.sch.uk/>

Have a lovely weekend.



Mr Terry Ryan, Headteacher

More photos of events are available on our website <https://www.rudgwick.w-sussex.sch.uk/>

Please note that attachments to the Newsletter about local clubs and events are not endorsed by the school. Parents are responsible for carrying out their own safety checks.



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