



Rudgwick Primary School News

Friday 4th February 2022

Spring Week 5

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week and another amazing experience for some of our children as Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 all got to enjoy a virtual visit from an author and illustrator. They listened to stories being read and were given a short tutorial in how to draw characters. They listened and paid attention brilliantly, immersed themselves in the wonderful storytelling and continued to show what a love of reading and books the children at Rudgwick have. Some of them even had a go at following instructions to draw characters themselves.



It is Safer Internet Day next week, on Tuesday, and the children will be taking part in activities that help them to consider this year's theme for this national day – '*All Fun and Games? Exploring respect and relationships online*'. The children will take part in activities looking at how children and young people can use the internet responsibly, respectfully, and creatively whilst making the most of their relationships online. It is certainly going to be another busy week in school.



Happy Birthday



Congratulations to Harry P, Ben B, Joshua H, Oscar and Mrs Barker, 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.

We can see that Emily P and Harry P had a magical time at their birthday parties.

This term's core value is **BELIEVE** and the wider values for the half term are **Resilience** and **Collaboration**.

Well done Falcons for being the house point winners this week – well done everyone! It is really close each week, anyone could win the term!

Our reading raffle winners are:

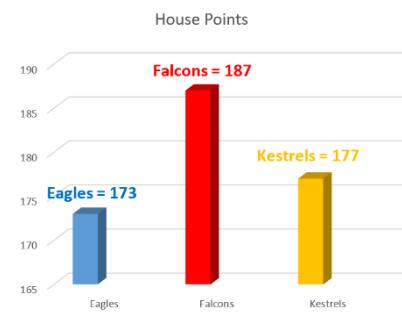
R/KS1: Jack N

KS2: Isla S

Well done to our times table awards:

Bronze: Leo F, Harley J, Harry P, Barnaby A

Silver: Imogen C



Star Awards

Africa (Year R)	Talon	For amazing Mrs Parkin with his Fred talking and letter formation when completing his independent writing challenge.
	Zack	For impressing the grown-ups with his reading skills and working hard to remember our 'red words'.
Asia (Year 1)	Aidan M	For always trying so hard with his reading, he has made so much progress! Well done!
	Lizzy	For continually producing brilliant work and trying extremely hard both at school and at home. Well done!
Europe (Year 2)	Ewan	For being so helpful to the cover staff this week and for persevering with all of his work.
	Maddie	For showing great confidence in her reading this week, particularly when sounding out her unknown words.

Australasia (Year 3)	Max F Imogen C	For trying really hard to make the most of the learning time by being focused and very sensible. For persevering with the maths work, being efficient but careful to ensure she is accurate.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Charlie C Paige W	For being super helpful to all the adults all week. For fantastic, independent learning in maths.
North America (Year 5)	Katie L William	For excellent thinking and using prior learning to explain a relationship between forces in science. For your superb focus and collaboration in science.
South America (Year 6)	Mia Lily	For starting to really believe in herself. You can do it! For demonstrating resilience in all lessons. A real star!

We have been learning

Africa (Year R)	This week in Africa class we learnt all about Chinese New Year, this year being the year of the Tiger. We made beautiful cherry blossom trees using twigs from the playground and pink tissue paper. Our topic book this week has been Little Red Riding Hood and we have been sequencing the story using first, next, then and last. We enjoyed an online meet the author and illustrator session and learnt lots about the story Pip and Egg. Woodland learning was really fun; we role played the story of Little Red Riding Hood wearing capes and masks, taking turns to be the wolf! In French, we learnt how to say eyes, ears, nose and mouth and played a fun game pinning pictures of our features onto a giant face. We also learnt a number song counting up to 10. Phonics this week, introduced us to two new types of sound called split digraphs. We practised recognising them in words we read. Such a busy and fun week, well done everyone!
Asia (Year 1)	Another brilliant week in Year 1, we started the week off with some gymnastics in PE, where we have been learning to balance and hold shapes on various pieces of equipment. We have continued our own paintings of Kandinsky's 'Concentric Circles'. They look amazing! In French with Madame Kent, we started learning different parts of the face. It was great excitement as we had a virtual visit from an author and illustrator of a book called 'Pip and Egg', this is one of our 'Picture Books to Shout About'; we thoroughly enjoyed it and learnt how to draw the characters. We had another fantastic lesson in music with Mrs Eames. In English, we have been thinking of adjectives, we can use to describe Traction Man. In maths, we have continued our learning of place value and have been adding on a number line and looking at the relationship in the fact families. We combined History and Computing together this week, and were writing facts about

	Florence Nightingale on the computers. Lastly, in Science, we were labelling parts of a tree and their functions.
Europe (Year 2)	<p>Well Europe Class, you have done us proud this week! I have heard nothing but great things about you all and I know that everyone has loved teaching you, so thank you!</p> <p>In English, the class have published their finished stories that they have worked so hard drafting and editing over the last couple of weeks. They each made a little book and became authors and illustrators. In maths, the children recapped odd and even numbers, as well as continuing to explore division. In science, they used playdough and other materials to learn how certain objects can be manipulated by squashing, bending, stretching and twisting. The class have also impressed Mrs. Mussell with their dance efforts and Mr. Tucker with their understanding and maturity of how to stay safe.</p>
Australasia (Year 3)	<p>In Literacy, we have planned our dragon narratives by drawing story maps, listening to Mrs Hoyte's version and by creating a piece of drama. Next week, we are all set to start drafting! In maths, we applied our multiplication knowledge to different word problems and situations. In science, we have been learning about the human skeleton – please ask us to tell you the names of some bones. We continue to be super stars when it comes to our swimming lessons and are excellent ambassadors to the school being safe, enthusiastic and sensible.</p>
Antarctica (Year 4)	<p>Our maths focus this week has been calculating area and perimeter. We have used our times tables knowledge to help us to do this efficiently. In English, we have recited poetry, used dialogue to advance action and used figurative language. Our moving animals are coming along nicely and we had to use our collaborative skills to work as part of a group in Design and Technology. In Computing, we recognised how the content of the World Wide Web is created by people. In Science, we conducted an experiment to see how sound is absorbed. We looked at the work of the famous graffiti artist, Keith Haring, and made our own versions of his work, using our sketchbooks.</p>
North America (Year 5)	<p>Year 5 have been enjoying Philip Pullman's wonderful and chilling 'Clockwork' and we've started to look at the ways in which he has made it such a gripping book to read. So far, we have been thinking about how he has created characters whose futures we are so interested in! In maths, we have started to apply our knowledge of multiplication tables and unitisation in order to calculate decimal place times tables and understand what happens when we count in equal groups of decimal fractions. This week we completed our science investigation into forces by running experiments and recording data, and then analysing what that information could tell us.</p>

South America (Year 6)	<p>It has been a great week in South America and so lovely to have nearly everyone back! We have been learning about algebra in maths and the children have really got to grips with the concept and starting to apply their knowledge. We have been planning and drafting our own narratives that continues the story in Beetle Boy. They have introduced a new character and thought carefully about the events that take place. In music, we have all learnt the beginning of our song on the glockenspiel – it sounds very impressive already. In PE, we have continued our gymnastics journey and been working on pair balances and counter tension. We have also continued learning about classification of animals in science and learnt all about vertebrates and invertebrates. In Geography, we have looked at how the UK and European borders have changed over time.</p>
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Next week we will be doing lots of fun and educational activities for children's mental health week. We will be kicking the week off with a whole school assembly themed *Growing Together* and ending the week on Friday with *Dress to Express* yourself day. **Dress to Express** is an opportunity for self-expression and celebrating a diverse range of emotions. The children may wear their favourite colour, range of colours or whole unique outfit.

The children may wear their own chosen outfit on Friday 11th February.

If you wish to donate to Place2B then you can find details on their website.



Food Banks available during Half Term

In order to support families with food during this coming Half-Term and to make the administration as simple as possible, there will be no need for anyone in need to have a voucher code or a letter from the school, in order to access the local Foodbanks. However, if you feel that you may make use of the Foodbanks, you might find the process smoother, if you allow us to send your name to Horsham Matters, in advance.



They are not only looking to support those in receipt of pupil premium, but any family that is struggling financially and would benefit from their services.

Attached to the newsletter is a list of the current Foodbanks and locations and also a flyer which gives details of their other support services.

Should you think that your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, please do consider asking, in confidence, at the school office as we can quickly check online for you. If you qualify, it would also entitle your child to additional funding at school which would include support with a range of things including uniform, clubs and school trips.



Tigers Junior Horsham Rugby Club

Horsham Rugby Club have launched a brand new junior touch rugby section for girls and boys year 5 through to year 11 - held every Monday 6:30-8pm.

What is touch?

A fast paced, mixed sport open to all, easy to learn and great fun to play. Excellent for developing existing rugby skills, agility and awareness, as well as introducing new players to the egg shaped ball.

Its free to all Horsham players, £15 registration to new players and FREE until Easter. Great fun and free.

Fill out this expression of interest to sign up:

<http://juniortouch.horshamrufc.com/>

Touch is the most popular social sport in the southern hemisphere, here is a snapshot of what touch rugby is all about (also called touch football down under):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q7vQciY-wrU>

Contact junior.touch@horshamrufc.com to find out more.

PTA News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Rudwick Cake Raffle

Congratulations to William LG who won this magnificent cake made by Mrs Tilley. Many thanks to everyone who bought tickets. Next week, it could be you!

PTA Event Planning

We have an event planning meeting on Monday 7th February at 8pm to discuss and plan events for the coming term. If you'd like to be part of this, please do email on rpspta@hotmail.com for more information. We love your ideas and input to help raise money for the school!

Win A Forest Holiday This Term

Who needs a holiday? This half-term you can win a Forest Holiday worth £500 in one of 11 locations throughout the UK. Support our school now for your chance to win this amazing prize. **How do you enter?** It's simple just buy one or more lottery tickets before Sat 26 February 2022. Each ticket gives you a chance to win. So more tickets mean more chances to win! To buy tickets please follow this link: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/rudgwick-primary-school>

Congratulations to our latest lottery winner.

29/01/2022

Mrs Sullivan

£15.90

EasyFundraising

Thank you to all of you who've been continuing to use EasyFundraising! If you're new to the concept, it's a really simple way to help raise money for Rudgwick

Primary School by just shopping as you would normally online. Please use the unique link below to find our more information and sign up: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/rudgwickps/>

Recycling Printer Cartridges

As you may know, we are recycling printer cartridges with www.recycle4charity.co.uk You'll find a box set up in the school reception for you to drop your old cartridges to us. They return almost £2 per cartridge to the PTA and this in turn supports the children with their environmental initiatives at school so please don't throw yours away.

PTA on Facebook

We gained some new members to the PTA Facebook Group page this month. We share fun updates on what we are working on and friendly reminders of what is coming up. Please join us as it is an easy way to stay up to date. If you are already a member of the group and are enjoying our updates please invite other Parents & Carers to join.

Click here for more information: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/691017417718395/>

Thank you for your continued support.

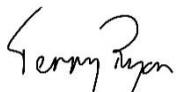
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We are a NUT AWARE school due to the allergies that some of our pupils have, with every effort being made to ensure that no nuts, or products containing nuts, are brought in to the school.

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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