



Rudgwick Primary School News

Friday 30th September 2022

Autumn Week 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I am able to confirm the newly elected Young Governors for this year. These children will work with me on projects over the year and will be the voice of their classes as they continue to play an important part in the things we do in school and the opportunities the children have. I would like to welcome onto the Young Governing Body Liam and Niah (Rec class), River and Fleur (Yr1), Barnaby and Bree (Yr2), Jack and Etta (Yr3), Leo and Immy (Yr4), Cai and Bea (Yr5) and Alexa and Ben (Yr6). I look forward to working with you all.

Once again we invited the team from the 'Open the Book' organisation who this week shared the Creation story with us. All of the children joined in with actions to the story with a small group joining in with props and acting. It is always lovely to have visitors into the school and as usual, the children welcomed them enthusiastically and politely and enjoyed the story telling.



This week we held the first of our Open Mornings for prospective new Reception parents and carers. It was great to have visitors that are thinking of joining our school community and the highlight for them was, without a doubt, the guided tours they received from some of our Year 6 children. Every single visitor made a point of sharing with Mrs Mellors and myself how informative, interesting, polite and well-mannered the children were that showed them around. It is always a pleasure to show off your children to visitors in school as they carried out this important job with such confidence and pride. Well done and thank you. There is one more Open Morning planned for Tuesday 18th October (when the rest of our fabulous Year 6 children will take on the tour guide role) so please let people know about this opportunity if they have children due to start school in September 2023.

Happy Birthday



Congratulations to Martha C, Sophie K, Poppy W, 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 **Curiosity** and **Motivation**.

House points

Eagles 288

Kestrels 275

Falcons 205

Star Awards



Africa Class Star Awards



Africa (Year R)	Savannah	For always being engaged with her own learning and trying her best.
	Ellis	For being such a helpful and kind member of Africa class.
Asia (Year 1)	Maisie	For her effort, participation and engagement throughout all lessons this week.
	Albert	For his hard work and effort in phonics and writing lessons and for always trying his best.
Europe (Year 2)	Halle	For exceptional behaviour each and every single day and for making the most out of her school day.
	Emily	For impeccable listening and effort in all parts of her learning.
Australasia (Year 3)	Dylan	For being a supportive learning partner and friend to others in the class.
	Amber	For choosing to challenge herself and move out of her comfort zone.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Alfie L	For having a growth mindset and improving his handwriting
	Isla S	For being a motivated learner in all subjects

North America (Year 5)	Knysna	For being a great role model in class and making good choices for her learning.
	Zaiver	For having a positive attitude and being a motivated learner.
South America (Year 6)	Elodie	For always working hard and pushing herself to achieve her very best.
	Holly Tr	For being a support learning partner and being motivated to learn in all lessons.

We have been learning

Africa (Year R)	This week in Africa class we have started our phonics sessions and have already learnt 4 new sounds! We have practised saying the sound and how to write the letter. We are getting good at helping Fred the frog to be understood. He only talks in sounds and we help put the sounds together to make the word he is trying to say. In Maths we have been comparing amounts and using words like 'fewer' and 'most'. We are also able to create 'fair'/'equal' shares. In French, we have been learning how to say 'yes', 'no', 'please' and 'thank you'. We had such a fun morning during our woodland learning session too. We worked as a team to abseil up and down slopes using ropes! Another fantastic week, Africa Class.
Asia (Year 1)	We have had yet another great week in Asia class! In English we have focused on retelling our core text 'There is no dragon in this story'. We have discussed that books have a beginning, middle and end and have also created a story map; making up actions to help us sequence and remember the events in the story. In maths we have had a counting focus and have been practising counting forwards and backwards, as well as thinking about one more and one less. We have also been representing numbers in different ways; pictures, numerals and objects. We enjoyed another music session with Mrs Eames this week, and used musical instruments to keep to the beat of the music practising when to start and stop. We had a great time in PE focusing on multi skills as well as fundamental movement skills. A busy bees we have been, well done everyone! Bzzz zzz zzz!
Europe (Year 2)	It's been so lovely to be back this week and we have had a great time. Delving further into our core text The Great Pet Sale has allowed us to become really familiar with the story. We have used it to practise sequencing and writing key words and phrases. We wrote for different purposes and sent a postcard to the boy trying to convince him to buy an animal of our choice! In maths, we have been practising placing numbers on a numberline. In science, we continued to explore offspring and how they change as they grow. In computing, we looked at all the uses of IT and in Geography, we learnt to place the seven continents of the world on a map. In music, we had a great time on the drums once again and in PE, we focused on applying our fundamental movement skills. A busy but fulfilling week for sure!

Australasia (Year 3)	This week we have been exploring adjectives and adding them to sentences to create expanded noun phrases – thinking about the reader and making the text more interesting. In maths we have been revising our understanding of number bonds, and adding 3 numbers to make 10. We have continued our weaving in Woodland Learning to make rustic fences to create a class pen. We have continued to explore our class text “The Wild Way Home” which nicely links the Stone Age with modern times. In History we have been looking at Stone Age food and homes.
Antarctica (Year 4)	We explored the significance of the legacy left by the Ancient Greek civilisation- it certainly has an impact on our modern lives today. Our times tables clinic is open and everyone is working hard to achieve their next badge. We also started learning about the Roman numeral system and learnt how to build Roman numerals. We read the myth “Theseus and The Minotaur” and did some hot-seating and drama activities, in readiness for writing the gory and bloody battle scene between the two main characters. In Geography, we used atlases to locate the countries that lie on the equator, The Tropic of Cancer and The Tropic of Capricorn. We also designed Greek pots and in Science, we used classification keys to classify invertebrates using our woodland space.
North America (Year 5)	In North America this week, we have continued with our topic book, The Jamie Drake Equation, which the children have really enjoyed so far and we have used parts of the text to practice writing speech using the correct punctuation. In maths, we continued to explore rounding to different powers of 10 and have had a glimpse of column addition moving into next week. In geography, we perfected our sketch maps, using a key to identify different parts of the school and in science, we have identified how the planets in our solar system move as well as recapping the order of the planets in relation to the sun. In art, we have developed mixing colours using powder paints and in RE, the children considered the similarities Sikhism has to other religions.
South America (Year 6)	Another great week in Year 6! In maths, we have been learning how to use part-part whole models to solve missing number problems and been applying this skill in a range of different ways. In English, we have been writing our diary entries in role and continued to read our wonderful book; we have also looked at types of figurative language. We also started our science topic on light and the children demonstrated how light travels and how we see by creating models. We have continued delving more deeply into our topic in history, by learning about the start of WW1 and the events that led up to it and in computing we have been explaining how our games work by adding comments to our coding.

Christmas Card Designs

Your child will be bringing home their wonderful card designs this week. Please can we ask that, if you would like to place an order, that you return your order form and card design to the front office by the 7th October.



Upcoming events:

5th October 2022, 9:00am-3:00pm – Talented Athlete Programme at The Weald.
5th October 2022, 9:00am-3:00pm – Talented Athlete Academy at The Weald.
7th October 2022 – Deadline for returning your Christmas card order.
10th October 2022 – Hello Yellow Day
12th October 2022, 1:30pm-3:00pm – Y4 Multi Skills Festival at The Weald.
13th October 2022 - Harvest Festival assembly in school & foodbank donations.
18th October 2022 – Open morning.
18th October 2022 – Y1 trip to Arundel Castle.
19th October 2022 – Y5 Residential at Sayers Croft.
21st October 2022 - Wear Red Day, Show Racism The Red Card.
24th October 2022 – Half term.

PTA News

Dear Parents and Carers,

After a busy few weeks getting back into the swing of school routines, we're on the hunt for some new members of the PTA. None of the fundraising activity and events are possible without dedicated time and effort from the wonderful parents, carers and the Rudgwick community. Whether it's joining our committee, helping organise events or simply volunteering to help out during them, every little really does help!

Join us now, please email rpspta@hotmail.com for more info!

Congratulations to our latest lottery winner.

24/09/2022

Mrs Hargreaves

£14.40

Thanks for your support,

Diane, Victoria, Anna

rpspta@hotmail.com

Rudgwick Primary Cake Raffle

Thank you to all of you that purchased tickets and a big thank you to Terri Streeter for baking such wonderful cakes.

The winner this week was Eleanor in Year 1.

Congratulations!



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/>

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