



# Rudgwick Primary School News

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

What a busy week it has been at Rudgwick this week! There have been a variety of events happening in which the children have excelled in their effort, performance and attitude.

This included a Multi-Skills event that our Year 4 children took part in at The Weald on Wednesday. They had to attempt a series of activities that tested their stamina, skills and concentration as they visited a variety of stations with different challenges. Their listening skills were particularly good as they were the first school to be able to stop and listen carefully to Mr Meaney at the completion of each activity when he was giving instructions. They represented their school brilliantly.



Wednesday was also the day that all the children looked great in their various yellow items of clothing. It was a striking way to recognise Hello Yellow day, an annual event in which the charity *Young Minds* celebrates *World Mental Health Day*.



We all enjoyed filling the church to the point of standing room only for our Harvest Festival celebration on Thursday. It was lovely to see so many of you join us as we eventually managed to fit everyone in. I think you'll agree it was worth the squeeze and the children performed beautifully. It was amazing to see the whole school walking together through the village and our older children show such responsibility as they looked after their younger partners. What a special occasion!



And finally, more of our Year 6 children acted as tour guides for our second Open Morning this morning and once again, provided great insight into their school in a polite and cheerful manner, thank you to you all for your help.

### Birthdays



Celebrating their birthday this week: Beatrix, Oliver F, Zoe and Leo D.

We hope you all have a lovely day celebrating.

If you would like to share a photo with us for the newsletter, please email it to [office@rudgwick.w-sussex.org.uk](mailto:office@rudgwick.w-sussex.org.uk)

### House Points

**Kestrels 392**

**Eagles 392**

**Falcons 377**

### Awards



This term's core value is **Inspire** and the wider value for the half term is **Kindness**.

### Book Awards

KS1: Molly (Year 2)

KS2: Sienna (Year 6)

### Star Awards



Africa (Year R)	Mia	For independently and confidently completing a variety of learning activities.
	Laila	For always being ready to learn and for setting a good example to others.
Asia (Year 1)	Oliver Ivy	For being organised and working methodically when partitioning numbers. Great team work you two!
Europe (Year 2)	William	For demonstrating a good technique and ability to follow a rhythm perfectly in music this week. Well done!
	Isla	For having a good learning attitude and building up her stamina in learning since starting year 2. Well done!
Australasia (Year 3)	Reuben Maisie	The energy and enthusiasm these two put into our Harvest celebration inspired others and gave everyone confidence to have a go. They were real team players.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Izzy	For always showing an excellent attitude to all her learning tasks and making great progress in maths with solving addition.
	Aiden	For showing a super focused attitude to all his learning tasks and giving his best effort.
North America (Year 5)	Archie	For showing increasing maturity in his learning and if things haven't quite gone to plan.
	Etta	For always paying attention, contributing to class discussions and giving her best effort to achieve.
South America (Year 6)	George C	For demonstrating resilience by the bucket load this week!
	Sophie	For her growth mind-set and being more independent in her learning.

### **We have been learning**

Africa (Year R)	This week in Africa class has been a little bit different, as we have celebrated Hello Yellow Day and the Harvest Festival. On Wednesday we all wore something yellow and thought about our feelings. We listened to The Colour Monster book (by Anna Llenas) and made badges with the colour monster we were feeling that day. A lot of us were feeling like the pink love monster! On Thursday we were so excited to walk to the church with the Year 6 children and to sing the 'Big Blue Tractor' song. Everybody at school is so proud of how well we performed and how sensibly we walked. In Maths this week we have been learning about repeating patterns. We can make repeating patterns with our hands, blocks, pens and classroom objects. We have also been busy sharing our baby and toddler photos and we have enjoyed explaining how we have changed.
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<p>Asia (Year 1)</p>	<p>This week we have been inventing our own rockets. We designed and labelled them before writing sentences about what they looked like and the adventures we could have on them. In Maths we have been continuing to explore numbers from 11 – 20, finding different ways to partition the number 20. We also played a loop card game where we had to read numbers in words before finding the number in digits. We were very excited on Wednesday to have our first lesson on the djembe drum. The children all showed great listening skills and worked hard to follow along with a rhythm. In History we explored the first flight and learned about the invention of the aeroplane. All the children took part beautifully in the Harvest Festival and did themselves proud in their performance of Cauliflower’s Fluffy.</p>
<p>Europe (Year 2)</p>	<p>Another truly lovely week of learning in Year 2, with the highlight being our trip up to the church to celebrate Harvest together. We filled the heavens with song and enjoyed all the performances the classes had to offer. In maths, we have continued to explore subtraction and learnt a variety of ways that this can be done. We explored this skill practically before recording in our books. In science, we learnt about the difference between wants and needs and what we need to survive. In computing, we looked at IT safety and the rules we need to follow when using IT. In French, we explored colours and played colour bingo! In music, our ability to follow a beat and use call and response has really come on. We also celebrated world mental health day and spread happiness in yellow!</p>
<p>Australasia (Year 3)</p>	<p>In English, we have been publishing our poems and checking verb tense consistency. In maths, we have been counting in 50s. In woodland learning, we identified trees from their leaves and birds from the bird calls and were encouraged to recall the “Respect” position. In RE we learned where in the world Hinduism exists as a significant religion. In history we learnt that the Mesolithic people were more sophisticated in the way they created stone tools and were introduced to and began using technical vocabulary such as era, nomadic, settlement and source to articulate our learning. Finally we enjoyed our harvest festival and performing our Harvest shanty.</p>
<p>Antarctica (Year 4)</p>	<p>Another busy week of learning with the highlight of the week being our trip to the Weald High School to take part in a multi skills sports session. They also enjoyed looking after Year 2 pupils in the walk to the church and performing their pizza poem at the church for the Harvest festival. In English, the children have been learning and reading about different Greek myths in preparation for writing their own. In maths, the children have continued their brilliant learning in solving addition calculations using a formal written method with exchange. In RSHE, we have been discussing risks and what this word means and examples of things that might happen around them which are considered to be a risk. We continued to research and present facts about daily life in Ancient Greek times and in art we created our Antarctic designs ready for painting!</p>
<p>North America (Year 5)</p>	<p>Another busy week to finish off before we embark on our residential to Sayers Croft. The children performed amazingly as part of the Harvest celebrations at the church and cherished watching the other classes perform, as well as taking on the responsibility of making sure Asia class got to the church safely. In maths, we have recapped the formal column method for subtraction using the concept of exchanging. In English we discussed the different forms sentences can take before creating expanded noun phrases based on our own extra-terrestrial planets. In science, we learnt about night and day, and how the theories about our solar system</p>

	have changed over time. In PE, the children combined their skills of dribbling, passing and shooting to play a game of end ball, trying to make progress up the court to score points against defenders.
South America (Year 6)	What a wonderful week we have had! The children have continued to build a natural shelter in the woods and have used their ingenuity to think about how to keep the structure in place and sturdy. We have been continuing to read our book in English lessons and the children have been finding out about a new character and inferring what they are like and how they feel. In maths we have been looking at when to use written or mental methods for addition and subtraction. In history we have learnt about how war was fought during WW1 and in science we have been thinking about the laws of reflection. The children were absolutely brilliant during the Harvest Festival on Thursday. They read their information in beautifully clear voices and sang their hearts out. It was a fantastic event which the children thoroughly enjoyed.

### Hello Yellow!

Thank you for all your kind donations. We raised a total of £89.24 for Young Minds.

### Upcoming Events

#### Next Week

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – Y5 Residential

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – Show Racism the Red Card – Wear red

#### Autumn Term – 1

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Oct - Parents Evening

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct – PTA Halloween Silent Disco (Tickets available on Classlist)

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Parents Evening

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct – Inset Day

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Oct – 1<sup>st</sup> November – Half Term

#### Autumn Term – 2

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children in Need – Wear spots or Pudsey items

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – PTA Wreath Workshop

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – PTA Christmas Fair & Mufti Day

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity Matinee Performance KS1

Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity Evening Performance KS1

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – PTA Secrets Room – Present Buying

Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec - School Christmas Dinner & KS2 Carol Concert

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – End of Autumn Term

**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.

Terry Ryan

Mr Terry Ryan, Headteacher

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

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