



Rudgwick Primary School

News

Friday 7th October 2022

Autumn Week 5

Dear Parents and Carers,

During another busy week at Rudgwick it has been great to see some of our parents in for meetings in Reception Class and Year 5. Thank you to the many people that attended our Phonics meeting in Reception, we hope you found it useful in understanding how we teach phonics in school whilst fostering that early love for books and reading. Remember to visit the school website for a link to some useful videos to help support your children. Thank you also to those that attended our Year 5 Residential meeting. We hope you feel well informed about what your children will be doing whilst they are away and enjoying this memorable experience.

Our Year 1 children enjoyed a trip to Pennthorpe School this week to explore the theme of 'Space' and it is clear from the 'what we have been learning' section of the newsletter that Mrs Parkin was very proud of how well they represented our school. It was a lovely chance for the children to experience learning in another environment and our thanks go to the staff at Pennthorpe for offering the opportunity.

We also had children from year 5 and Year 6 represent us at the 'Talented Athletes' event at The Weald this week. They told me that had a great time and enjoyed being put through their paces, especially with the agility work they had to do.

My last message this week is an appeal. We would love to be able to grow our offer of various clubs and I am sure there are some of you out there that have talents/interests/skills that could potentially lend themselves to leading a club for us. If you think you would be able to offer up your time on a regular basis (by which I mean the same time/day each week) and feel you could take on the task of bringing a club offer to the school I would love to hear from you. Clubs traditionally run for a half term or whole term. I certainly wouldn't expect anyone to commit a whole year but with enough interest and willingness we may be able to spread some new clubs across the course of the year. If you think you may have something to offer please do get in touch and we could discuss it further.

Happy Birthday



Congratulations to Henry C, Bea G, Frazer J, James K, and Holly T, who all have their birthdays this week.

Please do send a photo into the school office as we love to see how you celebrated at home.

Here is a picture of Frazer ready to celebrate his 6th birthday! He is celebrating by going bowling and visiting London Zoo! Have an amazing time Frazer!



Henry celebrated his 5th birthday with his friends, they all enjoyed a wonderful bouncy castle party.

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

House points

Falcons 409

Eagles 293

Kestrels 279

Awards

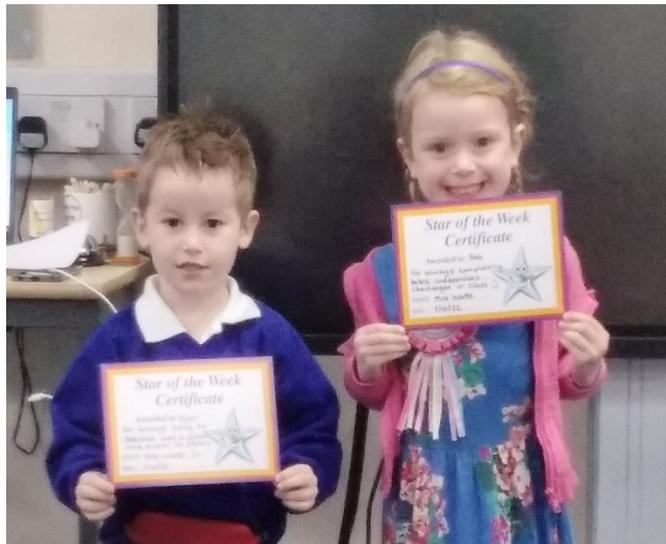
Silver – Leo F

Gold – Immy S

Star Awards



Africa Class Star Awards



Africa (Year R)	Bea	For always completing extra independent challenges in class.
	Ryan	For always being so positive and a great role model to others.
Asia (Year 1)	Felicity	For always trying her best and taking on feedback to improve her work.
	William	For always being a great model, following our school values and inspiring others to be the best they can be.

Europe (Year 2)	Joshua	For settling much more quickly this week and dedicating more time to his learning. It really has made a difference!
	Alice K	For always trying her best, using her sounds to help her and showing that she wants to learn.
Australasia (Year 3)	Sophie	For producing excellent speech for her Stone Age characters.
	Harloe	For pushing himself to do his very best with his writing.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Jack T	For working brilliantly across a range of subjects and achieving really well
	Oscar L	For being a positive and enthusiastic role model and representing our school values
North America (Year 5)	Martha	For generating curiosity by producing a magnificent description of her own alien world.
	Cora	For consistently being an active learner and participating fully in all lessons.
South America (Year 6)	Emily O	For having a great attitude to learning in every lesson!
	Eddie	For working hard all week and being motivated in English to produce a great descriptive scene.

We have been learning

Africa (Year R)	This week in Africa class we have learnt another four phonics sounds. We are really impressing Mrs Worth with how hard we all try to write our letters. In Woodland Learning we used natural resources to make our own fairy houses and in French we have learnt how to say a range of farm animal names. We have worked hard in Maths to order things by weight and size and have earned lots of house points completing independent Maths tasks. We had great fun during PE, demonstrating some fantastic yoga poses and in Music we have begun to think about how music makes us feel. We have also started to focus on Black History Month, including historical figures such as: Nelson Mandela, Rosa Parks and Michelle Obama. What a busy bunch we have been this week!
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<p>Asia (Year 1)</p>	<p>What a busy week in Asia class! In maths we have been learning all about more and less, using the symbols < and > to compare different amounts. In history we have been learning all about the parts of a castle labelling pictures ahead of our trip to Arundel Castle. In geography we have been learning all about maps and created our very own fairy tale maps complete with a key to show the various parts we included. In science we had a fantastic interactive day of learning at Pennthorpe School, learning all about Space! We had an art session creating a space scene using various media, we made rockets in science and launched them using water and soluble tablets, we made shape rockets in maths and listened to a space story in drama moving like astronauts on the moon! Asia class represented Rudgwick Primary beautifully and we are really proud of how well they engaged with all of the learning sessions. We had a fantastic time! We ended the week baking Gingerbread men ahead of our English lesson next week. You can hear all about it in next week's newsletter! Have a great weekend and a well deserved rest Asia class, thank you for a lovely week!</p>
<p>Europe (Year 2)</p>	<p>This week we have become authors! Using our shared text – The Great Pet Sale, we have worked hard to plan and write a beginning, middle and end. We changed the animals in the shop and tried to add adjectives to describe nouns. This was our first big piece of writing and we did so well. In maths, we have learnt to order amounts and numbers using < > signs. In science we learnt that a life cycle means it goes through stages and then starts all over again. In PE we worked in pairs to kick, pass, throw and catch a ball. In geography, we placed the 5 oceans on a map of the world that already show the 7 continents. In music, we learnt about call and response and used the djembe drums to put these into practise. Finally, in computer, we hunted around our school to see what uses of IT we could find, as well as discussing what life would be like without our devices!</p>
<p>Australasia (Year 3)</p>	<p>This week we have been looking at the use of speech within our class text, using role play to act out scenes from the text, then creating speech to match. In maths we have been adding numbers to bridge over 10 using our knowledge of number bonds. In music we have been working on different rhythms and learning African playground songs. We have been learning about chronology in History, to see where the Stone Age fits into our past.</p>
<p>Antarctica (Year 4)</p>	<p>This week we have summarised the main events of the myth, Athena and Medusa. We also learnt how to use fronted adverbials in our writing. We also learnt about the life of a Greek soldier. In Geography, we learnt about what lines of latitude and longitude are. In History, we continued thinking about the legacy of the Ancient Greek civilisation and ordered the items in terms of which ones we thought were most important and why. In Maths, we continued Roman numerals and introduced negative numbers. We have practised our songs for Harvest Festival, performed a Greek dance and used clay to make Greek pots. What a week!</p>

<p>North America (Year 5)</p>	<p>We have had another great week in North America class as we start to prepare for the upcoming residential. In English, we have written a setting description of our own alien worlds as well as thought about the features of a diary in preparation for our upcoming piece of writing. We have worked hard this week recapping column methods for addition and subtraction and how we start to use them when answering worded problems. In computing, we have gained a better understanding of how information is shared digitally between devices using the internet and IP Addresses. The children are now familiar with how to do a lay-up in basketball and why it can be more effective than the set shot we practiced previously. In science, the children finished of their group work creating facts pages on planets, asteroids and comets before moving on to consider why we have night and day.</p>
<p>South America (Year 6)</p>	<p>This week has been another busy week in Year 6 and the children continue to push themselves in all areas of the curriculum. We have been writing a descriptive scene in English and the children created some fabulous phrases to include in their writing. In maths, we have been learning mental and written methods for addition and subtraction. In science we have continued learning about light and been thinking about transparency and reflection. In history we have been locating the countries that were on both sides of first world war and discussing the different empires we found out about and how they have changed today. We are coming to the end of our unit on netball and we have started to demonstrate our skills in game situations.</p>

Half term holiday club

Please see the attached poster for Academy Stars Coaching half term holiday club, there are still a few spaces available.

#HelloYellow – Mental Health Day – Monday 10th October – Please wear something yellow



Last year #HelloYellow was a record-breaker - it was our brightest year yet! But this year a different, more concerning record has been broken. According to the latest NHS figures, nearly half a million young people are being referred for mental health problems every month, with many not being able to get the support they need. That's more young people than ever before seeking support - and most aren't getting the help they need.

This World Mental Health Day, thousands across the country are coming together to say #HelloYellow. Join us on 10th October to show young people that how they feel matters and help create a future where all young people get the mental health support they need, when they need it, no matter what.

Please can your child wear something yellow – t-shirt (handy if they are a kestrel!), hair bobble, socks?

The fund raising details are attached to this newsletter if you would like to make donation to YoungMinds. Thank you.

School carpark and Tates Way – Help us to keep your children safe

Please could we remind parents that the school carpark is strictly for staff use. There has been a near miss this week when a parent was reversing out as a member of staff was arriving. Also please encourage your child/ren to walk along the footpath rather than through the middle of the carpark, as it's very difficult for drivers to see round the corner when entering the carpark.

Please avoid driving into Tates Way and parking on or near the junction, as this restricts pedestrians view when crossing the road.

from The Highway Code:

The nearest you can park to a junction is 10 metres (or 32 feet).

This is to allow drivers emerging from, or turning into, the junction a clear view of the road they are joining. It also allows them to see hazards such as pedestrians or cyclists at the junction.

Upcoming events:

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.

01/10/2022

Mrs Read

£15.00

Thanks for your support,

Diane, Victoria, Anna

rpspta@hotmail.com

Rudgwick Primary Cake Raffle

Thank you, to all of you that purchased tickets for our cake raffle this week.

The winner this week was Ben Brown!

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry Ryan".

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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