



# Rudgwick Primary School News

Friday 16th June 2023

Summer Term Week 8

Dear Parents and Carers

I will start by saying thank you for all of the generous donations to our mufti day collection of garden games today. There was certainly a wide range of games and toys to provide lots of fun in the sunshine this summer. Remember, our Summer Festival takes place on Friday 30th June from 5:00pm and we would love to see as many people as possible.

That invitation was extended to our new Reception Class parents yesterday as they (and many of you with older children already in the school) came to our new Reception Parents' evening. It was lovely to see so many attend to find out what September holds as more children begin their primary school journey. Thank you to Mrs Read and Mrs Platt for coming along and promoting the PTA and all the amazing work you do and providing second hand uniform sales.

Next week is National Sports Week and we will, of course, be enjoying our sports day on Thursday. As well as that, the children in Year 6 will be helping me run an in school house competition. All of the children will be taking part in tennis activities and will be working towards scoring points for their house. Year 6 were learning how to set up, score and run the competition this week (as well as having a go themselves) and were absolutely brilliant. It does mean that the children will be outside on various occasions next week so do please continue to ensure they have sun cream applied and bring their hats into school.

## Birthdays



Celebrating their birthdays this week:  
George Monckton and Max Town

We hope you have a lovely time celebrating.

## Awards



This term's core value is **BELIEVE** and the wider value for the half term is **Confidence**.

Number Bond 10 Badge  
Sophie J – Y4

## Number Bond 20 Badge

Hanna – Y4  
Louie – Y4  
Henry – Y4  
Ben – Y4  
Immy – Y4

## Book Awards

Riria – YR  
Eli – Y6

## House Points for the Term

**Kestrels – 270**      **Eagles – 261**      **Falcons - 226**

## Star Awards



Africa (Year R)	Riria  Ryan	For making amazing progress with her phonics and reading skills.  For his mature attitude to learning.
Asia (Year 1)	Lexie and Ned	For their hard work and effort in phonics this week.
Europe (Year 2)	Archie  Halle	For demonstrating maturity by following instructions quickly and sensibly. Thank you!  For her efforts in reading this week and using her voice so brilliantly to add expression. Well done!
Australasia (Year 3)	Norah and Harry	For fantastic descriptive writing, describing their glorious gardens.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Alfie  Jack	For making excellent progress with his writing  For being such a positive role model to other

North America (Year 5)	Zavier	For demonstrating perseverance when finding his learning tricky in maths.
	Charlie	For showing excellent control whilst learning a doodling technique in art.
South America (Year 6)	Lottie	For demonstrating perseverance and resilience by the bucket load.
	Luca	For putting in a lot of effort with his learning in all lessons.

### **We have been learning**

Africa (Year R)	What a lovely summery week we have had in Africa class. There has been lots of water play this week, as we have all been trying to keep cool. We have continued to be fascinated by our class caterpillars, who have now all entered their cocoon stage. We are all excited to see if any emerge as butterflies next week. In Maths we have been discovering what makes an odd or an even number. We have used part-whole models, ten frames and Numicon to identify odd and even numbers. In PE we have been busily practising for our school sports day. We can't wait to show you how amazing we all are next week!
Asia (Year 1)	It has been a lovely sunny week and Asia class have coped well with the very warm weather and classroom. Asia class have done us proud with their effort and maturity whilst completing their phonics screening, well done everyone! In maths we have been working on grouping and sharing as well as multiplication using arrays. In music we enjoyed playing our recorders and have been practising recognising notes and the tempo they correspond to. In PE we continued to practise for our upcoming sports day, which we are all very excited about. In science we have continued our topic about animals and have been learning about different animals and their diets and have learnt the terms herbivore, carnivore and omnivore.
Europe (Year 2)	We survived a very warm week together this week and enjoyed exploring our new core text 'Oh the places you'll go' by Dr Seuss. We used it to write about our understanding of it, after listening to it and to plan and write a narrative about a personal experience we'd like to have in the future. In maths, we spent time learning to sort and draw shapes and make and describe patterns in shape. In science, we recapped over our knowledge of materials to help us in history, where we are exploring how a parachute has changed over time. In RE, we learnt about the importance of Baptism to Christians and in PE we continued to practise for sports day – we are very excited! Let's hope the weather cools off a little by then. Happy Friday!
Australasia (Year 3)	This week we have begun to write our own garden adventure stories and worked hard to include direct speech and expanded noun phrases. In PE we have continued our journey to Wimbledon – learning how to return shots in tennis, and practising both our forehand and backhand. We had a lovely time with Mrs Weller and Keith during woodland learning when we made some refreshing elderflower cordial. In Maths we have been exploring time and converting analogue to digital. We have continued to explore the features of Microsoft Publisher during our Computing sessions, adding text and image boxes to design a non-fiction information page.

Antarctica (Year 4)	We enjoyed rolling up our sleeves this week and baking cookies in the Community Room, using ingredients which would naturally be found in the rainforest. In small groups, we enjoyed measuring the quantities of the various ingredients and mixing them all together before we baked them in the oven and embraced the wonderful aroma which consequently wafted down the school corridor! In Maths continued to work on time, focusing particularly on converting between 12-hour and 24-hour clock, before using this knowledge to interpret timetables. We have started a new unit in Science which looks at Electricity. We learnt that electricity is a flow of electric charge and we explored household appliances which are powered by electrical current, either from batteries or mains electricity. In PE we have been busy preparing for Sports Day next week by practising some of our different events.
North America (Year 5)	North America has coped extremely well with the heat this week and made some fantastic progress in our learning. In maths, our focus has been applying our knowledge of multiplication and division methods to worded problems and exploring the different language that we may encounter. In English, we have written the first draft of a letter from the perspective of the ocean, trying to persuade humans to alter their behaviours that may have consequences in the future. Mr Meaney returned this week for the children to enjoy an extended session learning how to set up and teach a variety of games. He was impressed enough to say the children are ready to lead a session with Europe class next week which is fantastic. They have all shown great teamwork and enthusiasm which has been great to see. We considered the history of the Pope and conducted some research to find information about Pope Benedict XVI in RE. In PE, we had our final practice of events in preparation for sports day next week. The children also had the opportunity to fine tune their doodle skills to draw rubbish for their next piece of art linked to plastic pollution in the ocean.
South America (Year 6)	In South America this week we have been learning about pie charts in maths. We can now read and interpret pie charts with fractions and percentages. In science we have been drafting our explanation page on the circulatory system and in history we have been creating an advert for The Great Exhibition as part of our Victorians topic. We have been continuing to develop our keyboard playing skills and can now play chords and can use all 5 fingers to play a simple piece of music including 5 notes. In woodland learning we developed our teamwork skills by completing a challenge to move water from one place to another using only things found in the woods and we made elderflower cordial and completed some charcoal drawings. We rounded off the week by watching Coraline, to be able to compare the book to the film.

### **Upcoming Events**

Thurs 22nd June – Sports Day

Mon 26th June – Inset Day

Tues 27<sup>th</sup> June – Transition Morning

30<sup>th</sup> June – Summer Festival

10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 4 Camp

18<sup>th</sup> July – Book awards – Y3,4,5

19<sup>th</sup> July – Book awards – YR,1,2

20<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers' Prom

Fri 21st July – End of Summer 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.



Mr Terry Ryan, Headteacher

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

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