



Rudgwick Primary School News

Friday 20th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to announce the key roles and responsibilities some of our children will be taking on this year. Our new Head Girl and Head Boy are Imogen Coleman and Alex Bull.



Our new team of Young Governors, representing each class are:

Isaac & Grace – Reception	Samuel & Juniper – Year 1	Louis & Eva P – Year 2
Zack & Jonie – Year 3	Aizen & Nelly – Year 4	Alex & Norah – Year 5
	Shay & Henry – Year 6	

The other roles that Year 6 will carry out on behalf of the whole school are:

House captains: Eagles: Jack and Louie Kestrels: Oscar and Jasmine Falcons: Alfie and Sienna	Sports captains: Eagles: George M and Sofia Kestrels: Zoe and Max G Falcons: George C and Harley	Hall monitors: Harry, Leo and Max F
Librarians: Lewis, Immy, Bethany, Ivy, Hanna and Poppy A		Eco councilors: Christine, Sophie, Martha, Isla and Poppy L

I have no doubt that the children will fulfil their roles and responsibilities with dedication and enthusiasm in order to serve their school community. Well done to all of you!

In our assembly this week we were joined by the team from *Open the Book* who, in keeping with our half term theme of kindness, shared the story of *The Good Samaritan*. Thank you to Poppy A, Ivy, Lewis, George C and Harry for helping to bring the story and the message alive for us.

I would like to finish with a request. We have our first Open Morning for Reception class places for September 2025 on Thursday morning at 9:30-11:00. If you know of anyone with children due to start school next September please let them know so they can book a place at the event, thank you.



Birthdays



Celebrating their birthday this week: Archie G, Lily R, Lewis, Abbie, Quinn, Daniel, Frankie, Freya

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

House Points

Falcons 407

Eagles 378

Kestrels 370

Awards



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

Book Awards

Connie – KS1

Ben B – KS2

Africa Class Stars of the Week



Star Awards



Africa (Year R)	Henry F Naomi	For persevering with letter formation skills. For being a kind friend and a good role-model to others.
Asia (Year 1)	Nancy and Juniper	For their amazing confidence, enthusiasm and leadership skills during our role-play when acting out our story of Sunk.
Europe (Year 2)	Tilly	For being so focused, trying hard and achieving success in lots of areas of her learning this week; especially PE and English. Well done Tilly.

	Dylan	For simply being enthusiastic and positive to be a part of Year 2! I can't ask for more than that, so thank you Dylan!
Australasia (Year 3)	Eleanor	Great learning attitude which has paid off in her amazing attainment in maths this week.
	Ned	Super creativity in computing. Ned thought carefully about inputs and outputs and which he would deploy with his headphone innovation.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Martha	For showing an outstanding attitude to her learning. She is always ready, focused and engaged to learn in all tasks
	Emily	For showing an outstanding attitude to her learning. She is always ready, focused and engaged to learn in all tasks.
North America (Year 5)	Freddie L	For his effort so far and for being ambitious with all of his learning.
	Norah	For her engagement and valuable contributions to class discussion in all lessons.
South America (Year 6)	Isla	For working hard in all lessons and thinking deeply about her learning.
	Harry	For having a really positive attitude and always putting in lots of effort with his work.

We have been learning

Africa (Year R)	It has been another week of firsts for Africa class. This week we have been at school full-time and have really impressed Mrs Worth with how well we have coped with this. We have had our first Woodland Learning session, where we enjoyed discovering all the activities available to us in the woodland environment. We have also had our first French lesson with Madame Kent where we learnt to say Hello and Goodbye and listened to a story about a monkey who had lost his banana. We have begun to learn our first phonics sounds and have enjoyed playing a game with these sounds called 'Gotcha'. In Maths we have been noticing when things are 'the same' and can be called a 'matching pair'. Another great week of learning and play in Africa class!
Asia (Year 1)	This week in year 1 we have started our new core text 'Sunk'! We have been making predictions based on the front cover, acting out the story using role-play, learning how to label a picture and writing sentences as well as looking for and correcting mistakes. In maths we have been thinking about comparing numbers using key vocabulary. We then used this knowledge to find one more and one less than numbers to 10. In history this week we have been comparing past, present and future modes of transport and designed our own mode of futuristic transport! We have started in our new phonics groups this week and all of our adults are so impressed with us! What a super week we've had! Well done Year 1.

Europe (Year 2)	Week 3 completed! We kicked off Monday by starting our new learning journey 'The Secret Life of Pets!' We made predictions about what our core book could be about, learnt about nouns and used adjectives in our writing to describe them. In maths, we learnt to show number bonds in different ways, recognised number patterns counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and began some simple adding. In science, we explored animals including humans and matched babies to their adults. Music started up again this week and it was so lovely to see Mrs. Eames! In French, we listened to a whole story in spoken French and worked together to translate it and in Geography, we learnt the 4 countries of the UK and their flags!
Australasia (Year 3)	In maths, the children explored hundreds and mastered their ability to calculate the size of intervals on number-lines to 100. In English, the children began their new writing unit – poetry and had opportunity to hear poetry being performed. In history, we began our Stone Age topic learning that historical time is divided into 2 discrete sections: CE and BCE and that prehistory is the time of humans before things were written. Minds were blown when they discovered that our earliest ancestors could walk over a stretch of land called Doggerland into what is now mainland Europe. In computing, they learnt about inputs, processes and outputs and innovated new devices which featured these. In PE, they developed their throwing accuracy whilst playing cricket. They also enjoyed their first music lesson of the year and had time on the djambes; a busy and engaging week.
Antarctica (Year 4)	In Year 4 this week, the children have completed their draft texts all about the continent of Antarctica and have published their nonfiction texts beautifully – Well done all! In maths, we have continued our learning n place value with adding and subtracting 10 100 and 1000 from any 4 digit number using different methods to calculate and present the answer. In computing this week, we explored a selection of different website and how well information was presented. The children enjoyed another great tennis session with coach Ben with a focus on movement and ball control. In RE, the children have recognised what the different main beliefs of Islam are their importance whilst in RSHE we have discussed the concept of responsibility and how our choices impact on others. In art the children have explored colour mixing in preparation for their Antarctica scene
North America (Year 5)	The children have had another fantastic week in North America. They enjoyed an introduction to our space themed topic before looking at what evidence there is to know the earth, sun and moon are spherical. The children came up with lots of questions linked to what they want to find out in the coming weeks. In maths, we explored number sequences and how we can spot patterns. In English, we have started our key text, The Jamie Drake Equation. The children have made predictions and were also exposed to identifying and using different modal verbs. In basketball, we learnt the different ways to pass a ball and progress play up the court and in computing, we thought about how computer systems communicate via the internet using IP addresses and how messages are split into packets.
South America (Year 6)	In Year 6, we have started our new topic – Lest We Forget! In English, we have started to read our wonderful book, 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. We created freeze frames and been writing in role as one of the characters to reflect on the difficult time they find themselves in. In history, we have been looking at the chronology of events in the 20 th century and showing significant events on a timeline. The children have also continued to impress in maths with their hard working attitude and deepened their understanding about the number system and applied their knowledge to rounding. We have started learning keyboards with Mrs

	Eames in music, learnt some knots and about coppicing in woodland learning and been developing quick and accurate passing for netball in PE.
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Jeans for Genes



Thank you for all your donations. We raised £147.90 plus any online donations that were made. The children all looked fantastic in their denim, supporting Jeans for Genes.

Upcoming Events

Next Week

Mon 23rd Sept – Sayers Croft Parents Meeting Y5

Tues 24th Sept – Individual School Photos

Autumn Term – 1

Wed 2nd Oct – Flu immunisation Clinic

Wed 9th Oct – Hello Yellow, Wear yellow to raise awareness of mental health

Thurs 10th Oct – Harvest Festival, 10:00am - Holy Trinity Church, Rudgwick

Fri 11th Oct – Open Morning for Reception intake 2025

Wed 16th Oct – Fri 18th Oct – Y5 Residential

Fri 18th Oct – Show Racism the Red Card – Wear red

Mon 21st Oct - Parents Evening

Wed 23rd Oct – Parents Evening

Fri 25th Oct – Inset Day

Mon 28th Oct – 1st November – Half Term

Autumn Term – 2

Fri 15th Nov – Children in Need – Wear spots or Pudsey items

Fri 6th Dec – PTA Christmas Fair & Mufti Day

Tues 10th Dec – Nativity Matinee Performance KS1

Wed 11th Dec – Nativity Evening Performance KS1

Wed 18th Dec - School Christmas Dinner & KS2 Carol Concert

Fri 20th 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.

Mr Terry Ryan, Headteacher

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

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