



Rudgwick Primary School News

Friday 19th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to you all to the summer term. I hope you had great Easter break and didn't fill up too much on all that lovely chocolate!

We always enjoy a busy summer with a lot planned for the coming months and our first week back has started at a great pace. Year 6 have started their final term with us with Bikeability. After a session on the playground (in the rain!) on Monday they have been taking to the roads to learn about safe cycling. They have all taken part enthusiastically and sensibly and done really well taking on the instructions and applying them in order to cycle safely.



Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 have started six weeks of cricket coaching as part of their PE curriculum from a qualified coach. It is another opportunity they have to learn sport through expert tuition with a focus on key cricket, physical and life skills. They have enjoyed their first session.



And in Year 5 music lessons with West Sussex Music Service is underway. This term they are learning to play in a samba band...I can't wait for the end of term concert for this one!



Our Rudgwick value for this term is 'achieve' and we talked in assembly this week about the fact that achievement comes in so many forms and that each and every one of our children enjoy success and achievement in something on a daily basis. That is because they work hard and are dedicated to their learning and therefore they should feel proud of all they achieve.

Here's to a term of achievement and enjoyment for all!

Birthdays

Celebrating their birthday this week: Michael 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



Awards



Number Bonds to 5 Badge

Nancy – YR

Bella – YR

Number Bonds to 10 Badge

Maddie D – Y4

Bronze Times Table Award

Sophie J – Y4

Gold Times Table Award

Fred B – Y4

Book Awards

Molly – Y1

Martha – Y5

House Points

Eagles – 257

Falcons – 243

Kestrels – 241

This term's core value is **ACHIEVE** and the wider value for the half term is **CURIOSITY**.

Star Awards

Africa (Year R)	Finch	For the concentration he gives to his letter formation, your letters are formed beautifully!
	Ivy	For demonstrating a good eye for detail when drawing a picture of The Fox Inn for our class map of Rudgwick.
Asia (Year 1)	Max	For huge effort and achievement in his writing this week – well done Max!
	Noah	For settling in so beautifully to life in Year 1 and for his awesome acting skills during our role play task.
Europe (Year 2)	Margot	For being super focused and ready to learn every day this week! Thank you!
	Bertie	For applying himself so well in his learning this week, remembering information and being confident to share it. Well done!
Australasia (Year 3)	Jasmine M	Being super reflective about her artwork and considering the skills and knowledge she want to carry forward with her.
	Aiden D	For his efforts towards being self-organised and ready to learn.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Arthur	For showing a super positive, enthusiastic and hardworking attitude to his school day and learning activities.
	Madison	For her continued hardwork and positive attitude to her learning tasks.
North America (Year 5)	Jasmine	For being a diligent writer and producing an accurate newspaper report on the Battle of Hastings.
	Shay	For having a superb first week back in school, showing excellent maturity and focus.
South America (Year 6)	Vienna	For having a really positive attitude and making good progress with her learning.
	Knysna	For being a focused and independent learner in all lessons.

We have been learning

Africa (Year R)	Mrs Worth and Mrs Knight have been amazed with how we have all come back from our Easter holidays ready to learn more! In Maths this week we have been looking at numbers above 10. We have discovered that number between 11 and 19 all contain one whole ten! We have also been discussing what the word 'community' means and what communities we are part of. We have started to draw a class map of Rudgwick village, including pictures of the Co-op, school, church, Milk Churn and The Fox Inn. In French this week, we have been practising our counting skills and in PE we have been discovering different ways to jump and land.
Asia (Year 1)	What a lovely first week back we've had back in Year 1. We began our new topic Park Life and began reading Percy the Park Keeper. We predicted what might happen in the story of After the Storm, read the story then role-played in small groups. We sequenced the story and wrote captions for each picture. In Maths we have been exploring counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s and how this helps us to accurately count items quickly and more easily. On Tuesday we were very lucky to take part in a cricket lesson where we learned how to accurately pass and practised scoring runs.
Europe (Year 2)	A great first week back for the summer term! We introduced our new learning journey, Ooh Arr Me Hearties and read our core text – The Pirate Cruncher! We share ideas about what we already know about pirates and wrote questions asking what we would like to find out. We discussed key ideas and phrases, looking closely at the beginning page and writing how it makes us want to read on. In maths, we have started to tackle time! It's a tricky concept but we are getting there. In science, we looked at the ocean habitat and discussed animals that live there. In PE, we had a chance to shine cricket coach in to teach us. Coach Fred will be here for 6 weeks to help use learn and develop cricket skills. In music, we are now using recorders and building on from our learning in Year 1. What a week!
Australasia (Year 3)	The children have settled back into learning quickly and effortlessly. Well done Year 3 – how mature you have become. This week, the children explored the numerator in fractions. They learnt rules for ordering and comparing fractions based on common numerators or common denominators. In English, they developed their awareness of place. This is to support them in later diary writing. In art, they reflected on their Megan Coyle collage work and in history they developed understanding of where the Anglo-Saxons invaded from and when in time they appeared. In RSHE, they learnt what it means to be assertive and practiced being assertive using I statements to support them to communicate their wants and needs responsibility. In RE they were introduced to a Bible story depicting a 'nature miracle' – the calming of the Storm.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Welcome back to the Summer Term, the children have returned refreshed and ready to learn. We have had an exciting week of learning with the children showing great curiosity and enthusiasm in finding out all about rainforests in our English and Geography topics. This research will lead into our non – fiction texts next week. Maths has seen the children return to number work with a focus on multiplication and timestables with the Multiplication Check for Year 4 only a few weeks away! In Science, the

	children have been finding out all about food chains. Our PE this week has provided a wonderful opportunity to work with two different sports coaches with the children really enjoying their first sessions in tag rugby and cricket. In RSHE, we have continued our discussions on friendships and the importance of being a good friend and the challenges that may bring.
North America (Year 5)	A superb first week back in North America and the children have done amazingly well settling back into a routine. Angles have been the focus this week in maths. We've been measuring them, drawing them and calculating unknown angles on straight lines and around a point. In English, we finished off editing a newspaper report on the Battle of Hastings and published them – they look amazing! The children enjoyed an opening session of tag rugby with Coach Marcus early in the week, learning the basic rules of passing. We are lucky enough to have Jo Eames in for music over the summer term teaching the children Samba – a style of music originated from Brazil. Our first session was in the meadow and all of the instruments we will use over the course of the term were introduced. North America will be working towards a performance at the end of the 10 weeks so keep an eye out for the date after half term!
South America (Year 6)	Great to be back in school and ready to enjoy our final term together. This week we have been learning about co-ordinates in maths and reflection and translation. In English we have been working on our comprehension skills and thinking about how to answer questions precisely. In science, we have been presenting our results from an investigation we started before Easter and then wrote a conclusion. We have also started our new topic on living things where we focus on micro-organisms. In music we reviewed our prior learning of following rhythms, writing music and playing together by learning a song as a class using the whack-a-tubes and in RSHE we have looked at how feelings manifest in our bodies and to what extent they affect us. Finally, in computing we have started learning about spreadsheets and now know how to collect and input data accurately.

Clubs

Clubs will begin next week and finish the week commencing 8th of July.

If you haven't yet signed up for a club, please email the provider to check availability.

Please see promo link for Rugby Club: [Sports Stars Club Booking Page](#)

Summer Uniform

As the weather warms up please can we remind you to apply sunscreen to your child before school each day. Please can they also bring in a sun hat for break times and outdoor activities as well as a light rain coat for the days we still have summer showers.

Upcoming Events

Tues 14th May – Y2 trip to The Sealife Centre

Mon 27th May – Half Term

Mon 22nd July – Inset Day

Tues 23rd July - Inset Day

Tues 23rd 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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