



Rudgwick Primary School News

Friday 5th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to start this week by thanking you all for coming along to our Summer Festival last Friday. It was, as expected, another amazing event. The PTA worked tirelessly to ensure that it ran smoothly and that you could all enjoy an evening of entertainment and fun. We are so grateful to all those that helped put it together and to everyone that came along. It is because of how generous you all were that we are able to enjoy some of the special moments that we have also enjoyed this week.



The children in Years 1, 2, 3 and 5 all performed in their end of term music concerts. They demonstrated just how much they have learnt, whether it is in the one year they have been enjoying specialist music lessons or longer. We are so lucky to be able to offer this to our children and see the benefits of the fundraising that happens at Rudgwick. The concerts were very well attended and with Year 5 even took us into the woods where the intense volume that our Year 5 samba band created could fill the local area!



Also this week, Year 4 enjoyed their trip to Southwater Water Park followed by the annual Year 4 camp! In school for the evening on Thursday we enjoyed games, a chippy tea followed camp fire with marshmallows, hot chocolate and song and finally... eventually... sleeping in tents on the field. It was another memorable experience and I would like to thank Mr Christmas, Mrs Ryan and Mr Ryan (TA) for helping to ensure the children had a fun evening.



I am delighted to share this week that we have once again met the criteria to be awarded the School Games Gold Mark. This shows the amount of high quality sports provision and opportunity there is for our children, from having specialists come in to deliver PE lessons to attending competitive events at The Weald, from having dedicated Year 6 Sports Leaders running lunchtime clubs to working with Mr Meaney from The Weald to develop the range of teaching and learning in the PE curriculum and increase the knowledge and skills of our children. Indeed, Mr Meaney has been in recently working with Year 5 to develop their understanding of the role of a sports leader in preparation for next year. The children in Year 5 designed, planned and led some fun activities with our Year 2 children, which they thoroughly enjoyed.



In other, fun curriculum news, over the past 5 weeks, Year 2 have been researching, designing and making ice cream and this week they got to taste what they had made! The excitement was evident which they shared with all who would listen! Upon tasting their creations, they were delighted with the results and declared them a triumph! Flavours included strawberry, orange, honeycomb, chocolate, Oreo, caramel and Biscoff! Yum, yum Year 2!



Birthdays

Celebrating their birthday this week:
James F-J and Arthur.

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





Book Awards

William G – YR (KS1)

Nelly – Y3 (KS2)

House Points

Eagles – 209

Kestrels – 198

Falcons – 94

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

Star Awards

Africa (Year R)	Corrine Harry	For her mature attitude too all of her learning. For the care and pride he displays when writing his letter shapes.
Asia (Year 1)	Connie Noah	For working independently to create such an informative and beautifully presented fact file. For always being curious, hardworking and ready to learn.
Europe (Year 2)	Jack Lexie	For his independence, concentration and achievement when using a laptop to type up his letter to his future self. It was really lovely to see him so focused. Well done! For her partner work this week in writing and science. She has worked well, offered support and had a desire to achieve. Well done!

Australasia (Year 3)	Isabell	Being enthusiastic and keen during rehearsals and giving her very best every lesson every time.
	Aizen	Being a great role model for others during rehearsals. Being ready, accurate and on time whenever it our turn to perform.
Antarctica (Year 4)	Maddie	For a superb effort with writing her Explorer story ending.
	Jess	For always giving her absolute best effort and perseverance in all she does. It has been great to see her confidence blossom.
North America (Year 5)	Sophie	For her growing confidence, improved independence and relentless determination.
	Poppy L	For listening to feedback carefully and applying this to improve her writing.
South America (Year 6)	Connor	For remaining positive at all times and being a helpful member if the class.
	Duncan	For being a pro-active cast member and being helpful and adaptable.

We have been learning

Africa (Year R)	What a lovely week we have had in Africa class. This week we have had the support of Jamie from Year 10 at The Weald, who has been here as part of his work experience placement. We have loved playing with him. On Monday we arrived at school to discover that all 5 of the butterflies had emerged from their cocoons. We watched them for three days, as they drank from flowers and fruit. On Thursday we let them free, with some of us getting to hold them before they flew away. In Woodland Learning we made Hapa Zome prints using a range of flowers and a white piece of material. In Maths we have been revisiting our prior learning and developing our measurement and pattern making skills. We also had a surprise visit from Mrs Hyde, who will be one of our new teachers in Year 1. She was so excited to meet us and we thought she was very lovely.
Asia (Year 1)	It's been another wonderful week in Year 1. We have finally completed our fact pages on our woodland animals and they all look amazing. In Maths we have continued to explore money, thinking about note values and adding coins to make amounts. In RSHE we have been thinking about change, moving up to Year 2 and the new challenges we might face. In Computing we are continuing to work on our programming skills with Scratch. I'm sure you'll agree that they all performed amazingly in their recorder concert and have thoroughly enjoyed their lessons with Mrs Eames this year. Don't forget it's Percy Day next Wednesday – we are looking forward to a fun and interactive day.
Europe (Year 2)	What a full on and fun week we have had in year 2! From publishing our writing on laptops, to playing well as a team in tag-rugby, to tasting and evaluating the ice cream we have made. It was really good using the laptops to type up our writing, saving it and printing it ready for our books –

	<p>it made us feel really grown up! In maths, we reviewed our knowledge of 2D shapes, from sorting them to drawing them and in science, we discussed all the scientists we have explored this year. In music, we preformed so beautifully to our families and were able to show them how we have progressed this year. BUT the highlight was definitely tasting our ice cream! It was delicious and we were so impressed by how good it was!</p>
<p>Australasia (Year 3)</p>	<p>Now that assessment week has concluded, our attention has turned to the school production. It is full steam ahead, learning songs, actions and cues so we are ready to contribute to the KS2 showcase. Outside of rehearsals, it is business as usual in the classroom. We have concluded our biography unit and are putting the finishing touches to the write up. We are taking every care so we can show Mr Christmas all that we are capable of. In maths, we are learning about 2D shapes and picking up a plethora of technical words so we can be precise in our descriptions. In geography, we have explored what the words rural and urban mean and have been exploring maps to help us determine whether our focus place is a village, a town, a city or a hamlet. We decided on it being a small town! In PE, we developed our jumping and running skills enjoying a fast moving and competitive jumping game of rock-paper-scissors. Finally, we had a great time on Wednesday – albeit that it was a little nerve wracking - showing parents our newly acquired recorder skills.</p>
<p>Antarctica (Year 4)</p>	<p>Wow! What an amazing week for Year 4. It started in the classroom by editing, improving and publishing their superb Explorer story endings and ended with a full on camping experience. The children started the Year 4 camp with a day of water sports at Southwater Country Park with kayaking and raft building. It was lovely to see all of the children fully engage and take part with all of the activities with confidence, enthusiasm and great teamwork. Having organised their tents on the field, we had a great evening of entertainment of games, fish and chips and a camp fire. The highlight of the night was the staff against pupils football match with the teachers hugely outnumbered but securing a last minute winning goal from Mr Ryan to win 6-5! Despite the rain, the children have had a great second day of sports (dodgeball, cricket and golf) and woodland Learning fun. They are totally exhausted but with huge smiles!</p>
<p>North America (Year 5)</p>	<p>Another week flies by as we fast approach the end of the year. The absolute highlight was our samba performance which was unexpectedly relocated to the woodland area due to our typical British summer weather. Largely under shelter, our spirits weren't dampened and the children responded incredibly to the change of scenery, showcasing their skills that've been built up over the course of this term. Thank you to those that made up our audience. Beyond performing, we have worked on converting measurements in time and imperial units of length, capacity and weight. In English, we have made edits to our persuasive letters and made a plan for our final composition linked to collage in art.</p>
<p>South America (Year 6)</p>	<p>Another busy week in year 6! We have been doing lots of final prep for our production – finishing props, last rehearsals and getting used to our costumes. It is looking amazing and we can't wait to share it with everyone. This week we have also been cooking. We have developed our chopping skills by learning how to julienne vegetables and learnt how to fry them to a desired softness. We also combined our own spring roll filling and adapted the taste by adding different seasonings. They turned out great and hopefully they will make them for you someday! In computing we have learnt how to code our micro:bit's to become step counters and in woodland learning we celebrated all things mud!</p>

Woodwind lessons

If you would like your child to learn clarinet, flute, saxophone or recorder in September please contact Mrs Osborne for further information; by email – mo.woodwind@gmail.com or through her website <https://marianobornewoodwind.mymusicstaff.com> Trial lessons will be taking place on Friday 21st June.

Upcoming Events – 2024

Next Week

Tues 9th July – KS2 Production – 2:00pm
Wed 10th July – Y1 Percy Park Keeper Day
Wed 10th July – KS2 Production – 2:00pm
Wed 10th July – KS2 Production – 5:30pm
Thurs 11th July – Dance Club - Circus Extravaganza Performance – 4:30pm

Summer Term

Mon 15th July – Dance Club – Morning Assembly – Circus Extravaganza Performance.
Tues 16th July – Book Awards – Y3 - 9:10am, Y4 - 11:00am, Y5 - 2:10pm
Wed 17th July – Book Awards – YR – 9:10am, Y1 – 11:00am, Y2 – 2:10pm
Fri 19th – Y6 Book Awards & Leavers Assembly – 9:10am
Mon 22nd July – Inset Day
Tues 23rd July - Inset Day
Tues 23rd July – End of Summer Term

Autumn Term

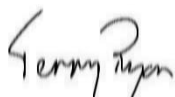
Mon 2nd Sept – Autumn Term begins
Mon 2nd Sept – Inset Day
Tues 24th Sept – Individual School Photos
Wed 2nd Oct – Flu immunisation Clinic
Wed 16th Oct – Fri 18th Oct – Y5 Residential
Mon 28th Oct – 1st November – Half Term
Fri 20th Dec – End of Autumn Term

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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