



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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Headteacher Reports:

Today's traditional PTFA non-uniform day marks the end of the Spring Term.

It is one of many ways in which our PTFA raise valuable additional funds for the school, funds which go towards providing our children with those extra special resources and experiences. I am delighted to announce that a fantastic two seater bank slide (and accompanying rope to pull themselves up the slope) is going to be installed at the beginning of June. This was requested by the children and their wish is our command! Our PTFA is a real asset of our school so please do get involved and join the team.

Please vote for RKPS in the Tesco Stronger Starts Scheme (see later in the newsletter for more details).

The vivid imaginations of Miss Smith and Mrs Hollingsworth are currently combining to create a structure of a flying magical creature, to tie into the Brighton Festival 'Dream Again' theme. On the morning of Saturday 4th May we will be carrying our structure through the city's streets; this year Mrs Brewer will be leading an RKPS samba band which will sound fantastic!

For our dreamy theme this year, we are going for a uniform look and ask that all children and adults wear either a **blue or a purple t-shirt**. We will look striking as we carry our mythical creature through the streets and intend to hold some colourful ribbon-like fabric to swirl as we walk. It promises to be a special day so please do join us if you can!

Our Reception classes are hosting their traditional Fairytale Ball today: there are some magnificent costumes on display. There are some super photos on our Instagram page so do take a look. What a super way to end the term!

Wishing all families a wonderful Easter break and we look forward to welcoming our children back to school on Monday 15th April.

Euan Harington

Headteacher



Reception Fairytale Ball



Headteacher Awards

- Y1 Kahlo: **Stanley** - For completing his reading challenge and for super reading at home!
- Y2 Attenborough: **Aitor** – Handwriting of a quality ready for KS2!
Daenerys - High level handwriting in her Handwriting Book: ready for Year 3!
- Y3 Gandhi: **Amelia** - For always having an excellent attitude to learning as exemplified by the beautiful Rangoli pattern she produced at home.
Erica - An exceptional piece of home learning: a project on Egypt and the Nile.
Ole - Brilliant maths learning-180!
- Y5 Darwin: **Chelsea** - For Year 6 ready maths including excellent presentation
Woody - Superb writing on Skellig using direct speech.

Tara's Top Tips for Families!

Hi all.

Just another quick reminder about the HAF holiday clubs running across the city this Easter holiday. These are free for those in receipt of free school meals and include lunch.

In Woodingdean we have 4 options

- Tech and STEM camp** for 5-11 year olds here at RKPS
- SportsCool** Multi-Sports holiday camp for 4-12 year olds at Longhill School
- Easter at Triangle** on Hunns Mere Way in Woodingdean
- ArtPod** in Rottingdean for ages 5-10

There is more info about each of the club below. Visit <https://eequ.org/brightonhovehaf> to search for the club you are interested in and sign up! You can sign up for up to 4 days over the holiday. There are also other clubs further afield

Have a fabulous Easter holiday all!

Tara Bryant
Inclusion and Family Support Worker



Westcott Wednesdays Summer 1

It's another 6 week term so we can fit Years 1-6; Reception will take their bow in Summer 2.

- Year 5 - Wednesday 17th April
- Year 6 - Wednesday 24th April
- Year 4 - Wednesday 1st May
- Year 3 - Wednesday 8th May
- Year 2 - Wednesday 15th May
- Year 1 - Wednesday 22nd May



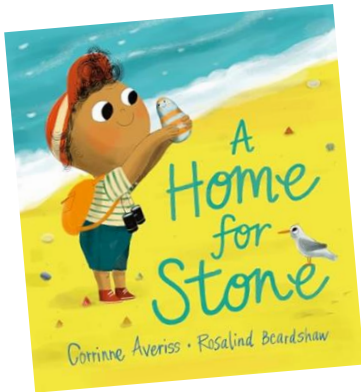
RKPS Reading Recommendations

Hello all, every week the English Team and various adults around school share two reading recommendations for you and your lovely children to read.

Reading Research Alert:

“Students who read for pleasure make significantly more progress in vocabulary, spelling and maths than children who read very little.” Sullivan and Brown 2013.

A Home for Stone by Corrinne Averiss and illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw

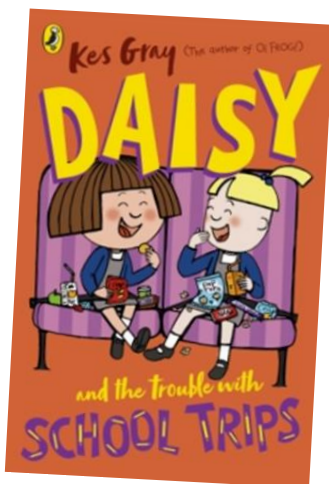


When a little boy finds a lonely stone on a quiet beach, he decides to find him the perfect home among other stones just like him. But nowhere feels quite right for little Stone.

And just as the boy is about to give up, he realises that he may have had the perfect home for Stone all along . . .

A touching story about finding friends in unexpected places, from the award-winning creators of My Pet Star.

Daisy and the Trouble with School Trips by Kes Gray



As we have had many school trips this term ☺

Here comes trouble!

Daisy is going on a school trip to Bobbington Hall! But the trouble with school trips is that teachers will be there too. So Daisy can't go exploring! There will be:

Suits of armour
Olden toilets
Secret passages

The trouble is, they're proving really hard to find! But what will happen when Daisy does find the secrets of Bobbington Hall?

Cross Country Success

Many congratulations to Barney in Year 5 who represented us at the School Games Cross Country Finals yesterday and achieved a fantastic 3rd place finish across all Brighton & Hove Schools, and 32nd across the whole county!

Back in November, Barney and a number of our Year 5s and 6s competed in the Brighton & Hove School Games Cross Country Championships; Barney finished high enough to be entered into the County Finals, and what a run he had in very challenging conditions.

We're so proud of his efforts - well done Barney!



Stars of the Week

After School Club – To all After School Clubbers we wanted to wish you all a Happy Easter!

You have all been Stars this term.

Lunchtime Stars of the Week

Harper and Greta in Rashford

For being kind and helping their friends.

Grayson, Ted and Tommy-Lee in Attenborough

For making great choices and playing well together every lunchtime.



Thank You

Many thanks to parent of the school, Jess's mum, Jacqui, for her generous donation of material to the school. There is some great fabric with lot of patterns and colours-a really kind donation. We intend to use it partly for children's costumes at the Children's Parade-thank you Jacqui!

Tesco Stronger Starts

🥰 We are delighted to let you know that our PTFA application to Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from the first week in April 2024 until the end of June 2024. Our project is to refurbish the KSI learning garden.

❤️ You can vote in the following stores;
Jubilee St, Brighton, Queens Road Brighton,
Woodingdean Express, Western Rd Brighton, Hove Large store, Hove Denmark Villas, Droveaway Hove Express, Westway Hove, Portslade small store.
We are in with a chance of receiving £1500 for the project so please pass this on to friends and family

Community Notice Board



Art Experience Days
AGES 5-10

9am - 3:30pm Everyday 2nd - 12th April
Artpod 20 - 23 Highstreet Rottingdean

From 3D art to Science art or Canvas art to Clay art there is something for everyone.

Each day there are new materials & activities that promote self expression & imaginative exploration.

Examples include painting & drawing, sculpture & sewing, slime & potions, grow your own art, building & decorating.

Food, Drinks & Snacks Provided

Register online
<https://eequ.org/experience/6588>



EDUCATE. MOTIVATE. INSPIRE.

SPORTS COOL!

EASTER HOLIDAY HAF FUNDED MULTI SPORTS CAMP

LONGHILL SPORTS CENTRE, BN2 7FR

ELIGIBLE FAMILIES CAN BOOK UP TO 4 MORNINGS PER CHILD! PAID AFTERNOON SESSIONS (UNTIL 3:30PM) ARE AVAILABLE!

- ☑ Lunch is provided
- ☑ Alternative sports e.g. archery
- ☑ Making new friends
- ☑ Mindfulness & well-being

INFLATABLE, UV DODGEBALL + LASER TAG ON 4TH + 5TH APRIL!

TUES 2ND - FRI 5TH AND MON 8TH - FRI 12TH APRIL
08:30 - 12:30 For children aged 4-11

<https://eequ.org/experience/5106>
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Brighton & Hove City Council

Laser Tag
UV Dodgeball

HAF SportsCool @ Longhill Sports Centre with SportsCool Brighton - Eegu



V.I.M Holiday Club
Easter Holiday Club - April 2024

Triangle
Hunns Mere Way, Brighton
Open to all children age 5-12

Dinosaurs / Flower Power!
Fossil Making • Flower Pressing
Biscuit Icing • Bone Collecting • Dino Disco

Outdoor Fun
Stick Carving • Climbing • Giant Bubbles!

Arts & Crafts
Dino Models • Tie Dying
Movie with Popcorn
AND LOTS MORE!!!

For more about us, visit vimcamps.com



Children's Mental Health Matters!

Easter Holiday Consultation Line

Dear Parents/Carers,

Do you have a child or young person at school in Brighton & Hove?

If you have any concerns about their Emotional Mental Health and Wellbeing you are invited to talk to a Primary Mental Health Worker or Education Mental Health Practitioner from the Schools Mental Health Service. This will be a one-off consultation and not a referral route for direct work.

Telephone consultations are available over the Easter Holiday.

9am-12pm on a Tuesday or a Thursday

Please email SchoolsMentalHealthService@brighton-hove.gov.uk

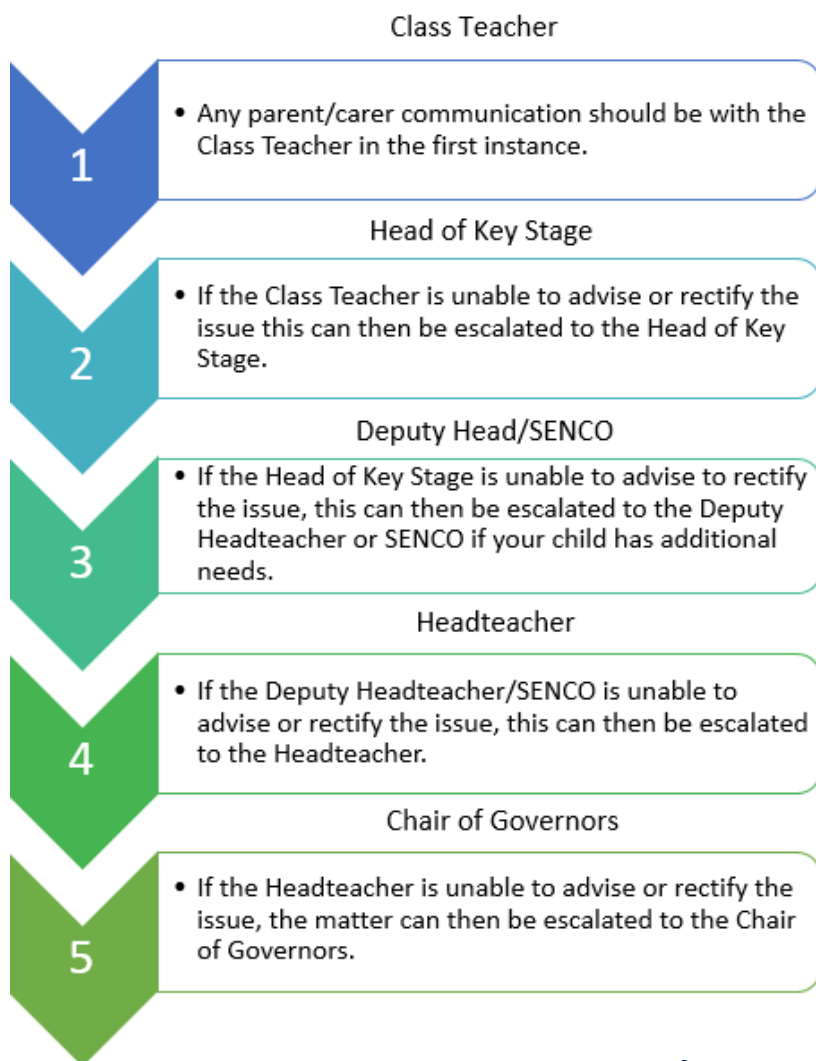
You will need to send us your name and phone number, with a brief outline of your concerns, and a Primary Mental Health Worker or Education Mental Health Practitioner will call you back.

Whilst we aim to call back within two days, please be aware we may have a high demand, so your patience is appreciated.

Please note, this would not be in place of current services you may already be engaged with.

This is not a crisis number – if you require immediate support you need to contact your GP, call CAMHS duty care on 0300 304 0061 or go direct to A&E

And finally...



Head of Key Stages

Foundation – Ms A Smith

Key Stage One – Mrs V Brewer

Lower Key Stage Two – Mr N Wynne

Upper Key Stage Two – Miss L Vaughan

Arbor Parent App

On App:

New trips, Clubs, Uniform, Swimming (after Easter)

Not on App

School Meals (ParentPay), outstanding trips

Make sure that when you are booking clubs, trips or ordering items, you complete the process by clicking next through ALL stages are completed in the app.

All bookings for clubs and trips are held within the APP so you can remind yourself at any time.

Dates for the Diary

April 2024	
Monday 15th	First Day of term
Wednesday 17th	Y5 Westcott Wednesday, Year 6 Residential
May 24	
Wednesday 1 st	Y4 Westcott Wednesday
	Looking further ahead
July 2024	
Monday 8th	Reception Sports Day 9:15am; Y1 & Y2 Sports Day 1:30pm
Tuesday 9th	Y3 & Y4 Day 9:15am; Y5 & Y6 Sports Day 1:30pm
Thursday 18th	Y6 production 2pm & 5:30pm

