



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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We are very fortunate to have some adult volunteers who come into school to read with our children and help with other aspects of learning. Our children really benefit from reading to a different person: they are keen to impress!

If you are able to spare any time-even just a little-to come into school and listen to some readers, then please email our office and we look forward to welcoming you into school soon-thank you!

Earlier this week, I received a lovely email from a Mr Brian Allen, an ex-Rudyard pupil. Brian attended RKPS from 1959 to 1962 and he wanted to know if I would like to take ownership of his Prefect Badge which he has kept safely for the last 65 years! I of course jumped at this offer and look forward to receiving it to share with our children in assembly.

Brian has fond memories of being in our school choir and also our football team. Our school holds precious memories for thousands of Rudyard alumni and we proudly uphold these traditions to this day. After school today, as every Friday, Mrs Brewer's school choir will fill the school corridors with sweet harmonies!

Our free choir club is just one of a super selection of clubs we offer at school. After school yesterday, our free KS1 'Crafty Kids' club was a ton of fun as always and after school today is our free KS2 football club.

I think there's every chance that Brian would enjoy our school as much in 2024 as he did in 1959!

Have a wonderful weekend

Euan Hannington

Headteache



Y2 Firefighter visit!



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness

Special Mentions

Dylan



Dylan has been such a fantastic asset to Kahlo this week. He has been showing incredible resilience in his learning. Whenever the work is tricky, he will rise to the challenge. He has been focused on improving his writing and the effort is paying off. His handwriting and quality of writing have really shot up. To add to this, I have loved to see how much Dylan is helping and supporting his peers with their learning. We are all extremely lucky to have you here in Kahlo. A huge well done, Dylan!

YR1

Rudi



Lovely Rudi, where to begin? We all reap the benefits of having Rudi in Team Obama, you are a wonderful learning partner, you show patience and resilience throughout the day and above all, kindness is innate in your nature. You consistently represent all of our school values, and it was tricky to decide which 5 R your certificate would say, as it could have been any of them! But I have chosen readiness for you, as you are ALWAYS ready to learn, you ask interesting questions and always share your ideas with enthusiasm. You are simply a pleasure to have in Team Obama, never stop being you, superstar because you will continue to soar!

Ayham



What a superstar you are being with your attitude to learning, Ayham! Your reflectiveness when writing and improving the content and presentation of your work has enabled you to compose a lovely newspaper report and to articulate clearer mathematical thinking. Also, your reflectiveness raises the quality of discussion during whole-class learning. What WOULD we do without your insight and amazing ideas, especially when we are looking for definitions for new vocabulary. Good job!

Henry S

YR2



If this was the X Factor, our memory maestro, Henry, would be getting a standing ovation. His memory is like fireworks- quick and spectacular. In fact, Henry remembers things faster than we can say 'super-califragilistic-expiali-awesome!' From soaking up lessons like a sponge to recalling every juicy detail from a story, Henry totally rocks it! In Parks Class, we have loved hearing his detailed retelling of the Lonely Beast. Well done, Henry!

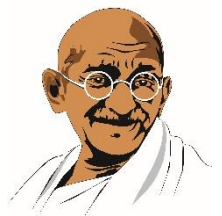
Millie



Millie's resilience game is so strong, even elastic bands are taking notes. You could put Millie on a rollercoaster with all the twists and turns in the world and she would still come off with a great big cheeky smile on her face like she's won the jackpot. She never fails to rise to the occasion, approaches every task with a can-do attitude and never gives up. Millie you are admirable. Keep shining bright, you star!

Fred M

YR3



The Hot Dog King comes through the classroom door each day with a huge smile on his face ready to greet the adults in Gandhi class. This not only brightens the day of the adults, but also lifts the spirits of Fred's friends – what a way to start the day! With this positive attitude, he tackles all his tasks with readiness and determination. If ever there is editing, or challenges to complete, you can bet Fred will get it done without any fuss. Thanks for always being such a bundle of joy!

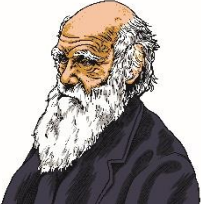
YR4



Asomi

Asomi, your mathematical prowess truly shines! Your solutions are not just accurate, but elegant, showcasing a deep understanding of the concepts. And your written English? Superb! Your letter flows beautifully, expressing your thoughts with clarity and confidence. Keep up the incredible work, Asomi! The world needs brilliant minds like yours.

Ronnie



Ronnie has been working hard at ensuring he is ready to learn. This week we have begun looking at poetry and Ronnie's words have been flowing off the page like a song. Also, Ronnie conquered through some very complicated multiplication and division questions – powering on to challenge himself. Miss Smith is very proud of your attitude and self-motivation to shine. Well done.

YR5



Connie

It is fantastic to see both Connie's resilience and confidence growing daily! Connie is always keen to learn, raring to get started on her work and whilst she sometimes finds things tricky (as we all do), she does not let it deter her, she simply sees it as a challenge to overcome. As a result of this, she is realising how capable she is and what an important member of Seacole she is.

YR6



Victor

Every class should have a Victor, he brings joy, kindness and fun to all those around him. The work he produces is exemplary - he should be very proud! Thanks, Victor, for being you, as you're great!



YR Rashford:

Cara- For an excellent attitude to school!

Luka - For taking part with the class and being a kind friend.

Harlow - Super phonics learning!

Y1 Kahlo:

Ben – Super castle writing.

Y2 Parks:

Harry - A brilliant, labelled model of 'The Lonely Beast

Y3 Gandhi

Amelia - For her super poem about school with excellent rhythm and rhyme!

Bertie - For being a Writing Wizard!

Y3 Pankhurst

Halle - Exceptional writing in English

Y5 Darwin

Rowan - Rocking out like a true rock star at Rocksteady!!

Aoife - Composing a beautiful letter to Michael Rosen

Y5 Darwin:

Arthur, Bader, Rebeca and Jessica - First class division learning with an exception standard of presentation.

Jack – Impressive geography learning on biomes.

RKPS Reading Recommendations

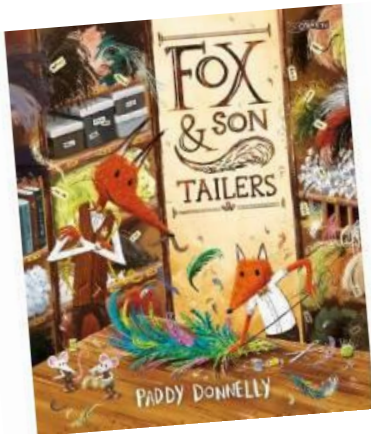


Hello all, every week the English Team and various adults around school share two reading recommendations for you and your lovely children to read.

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.

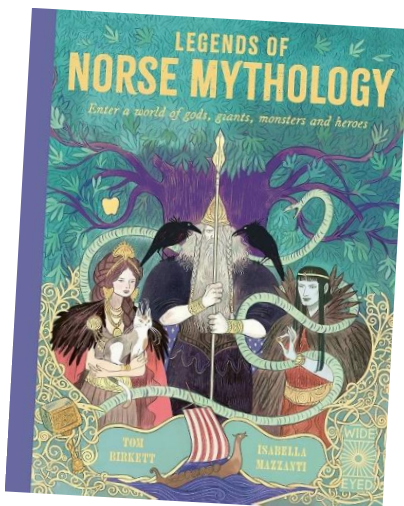
Fox & Son Tailors By Paddy Donnelly



Rory's dad is a tailor and a very good one! Animals from all over travel to his shop to have the most beautiful tails created for all occasions! Rory helps his dad but he soon becomes bored of making the same old formal, traditional tails. Rory decides to be creative and invent some new tails! What will the animals think of his new ideas? Will they go down well?

We absolutely love this charmingly illustrated story of creativity, vision and bravery! A book to inspire children to be unique and think outside of the box. We love it!

Legends of Norse Mythology: Enter a world of gods, giants, monsters and heroes By Tom Birkett and Isabella Mazzanti

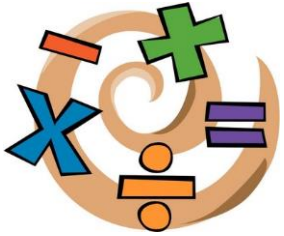


If you are fascinated by monsters, giants, gods and heroes? Do love learning about the Vikings? Do mystical stories, myths and legends grab your attention?

If so, then they are going to adore this absolutely fascinating anthology which delves into Norse mythology brilliantly. From Odin to Frigg to Hel, you can help but be captivated by this stunningly illustrated and detailed book.

With this book, readers can take an adventure through time to a realm of ice and fire, magic and mischief. They'll meet a cast of characters from Norse folklore and be swept up in their epic deeds and fates.

Inside, there are more than 30 profiles of Norse figures – from gods and goddesses, to giants, elves, monsters and other mythical beings. Each profile introduces the figure, including their defining attributes and a new retelling of their story, along with sidelights of extra facts and details. Figures include familiar gods like Thor to lesser-known legends such as giant sisters Gjalp and Greip.



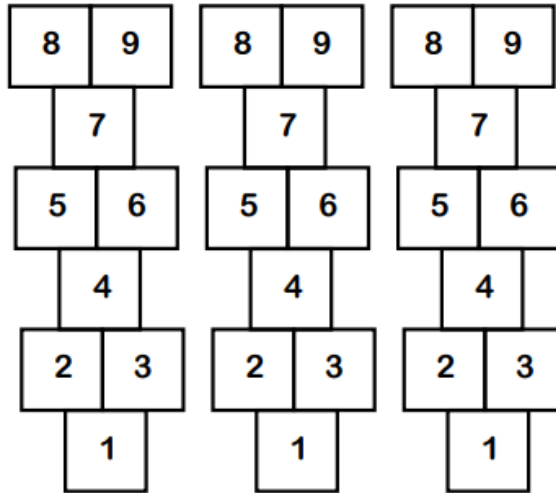
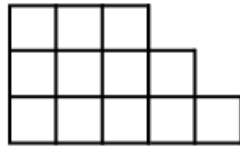
Mr Jones' Maths Challenge of the Week



Pick up a maths challenge from the office and put your brains to the *ultimate* test this weekend!

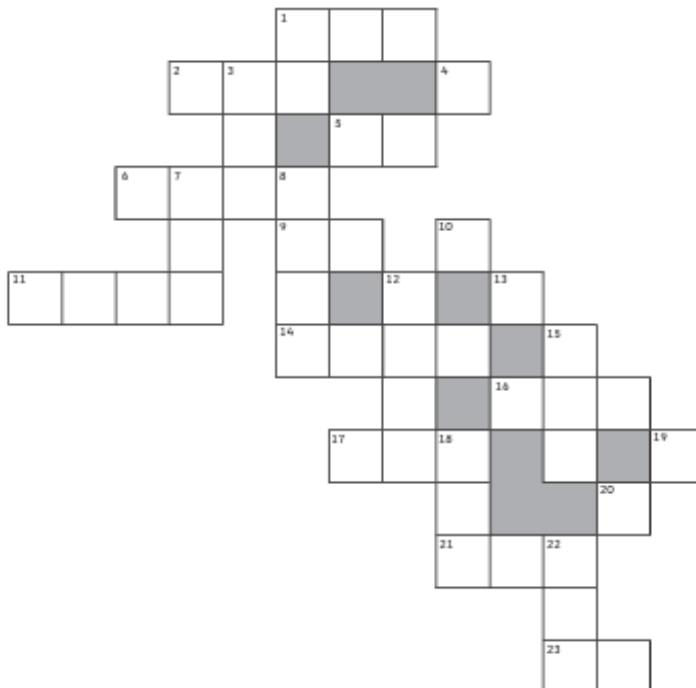
KS1

Make the number
18



KS2

Multiplication and Division Crossnumber



Across

1. $37 \times 8 =$
2. $750 \div 5 =$
4. $32 \div 8 =$
5. $45 \times 2 =$
6. $761 \times 7 =$
9. $333 \div 9 =$
10. $64 \div 8 =$
11. $217 \times 5 =$
14. $708 \times 3 =$
16. $333 \times 3 =$
17. $49 \times 9 =$
20. $72 \div 9 =$
21. $486 \div 3 =$
23. $268 \div 4 =$

Down

1. $120 \div 6 =$
3. $143 \times 4 =$
7. $61 \times 5 =$
8. $919 \times 8 =$
12. $612 \times 2 =$
13. $49 \div 7 =$
15. $882 \div 3 =$
18. $57 \times 3 =$
19. $54 \div 6 =$
22. $412 \div 2 =$



Stars of the Week



After School Club – KS1 – Theo in Obama for always playing so well with others or independently.
KS2 – Kiera in Pankhurst for always spending so much time producing amazing art and craft work.

Lunchtime Stars of the Week

- ★ **Riley** in Parks for good listening and playing at lunchtime.
- ★ **Jacob** in Darwin for helping Miss Rollason's group each day.
- ★ **Archie** in Mandela for persevering with his skipping skills!



Arbor Parent Portal launch date!

Our launch date for Arbor Parent Portal is Tuesday 20th February.

During half-term all parents and carers will receive log in and a help guide ready for our launch date. A welcome email will be sent on Monday 19th February which will enable you to setup you Arbor account. Your first login will need to be in a browser not the App. Once you have logged in via a browser you will then be able to login via the App.

We will also include regular updates in the newsletter. It is really important that you download the Arbor Parent Portal and enable notifications on your phone to make sure you can keep up to date. The school office will be available to support parents and carers during the transition period.

From Tuesday 20th February, you will now use the Arbor Parent Portal to:

- Book After School and Breakfast Club (in advance and on the day bookings)
- Sign your child up for paid and FREE clubs
- Book school trips
- Order uniform
- Book paid Nursery sessions
- Secure parents evening slots
- Update your contact details and parental consents



All payments for the above items will be made through the portal at the time of booking. However, school meals and outstanding items in ParentPay such as the residential, will remain on ParentPay. All new trips will go on to Arbor.

Arbor also has communication function, however at this stage, we will be remaining with School Ping for day to day communications. Please keep you eyes peeled for updates in the newsletter.

Home to School Contact

Communicating with teachers

Our teachers are available to speak to parents and carers at collection each day.

Should you wish to arrange a telephone call or face to face meeting with a teacher regarding a specific matter, please contact the office at admin@kipling.brighton-hove.sch.uk

Safer Internet Day

Next Tuesday, we will join thousands of schools across the country in marking Safer Internet Day 2024, with assemblies and activities throughout the school focusing on safe use of the internet. Look out for mentions on our social media that day.



STEM holiday camp coming to RKPS this Half-term

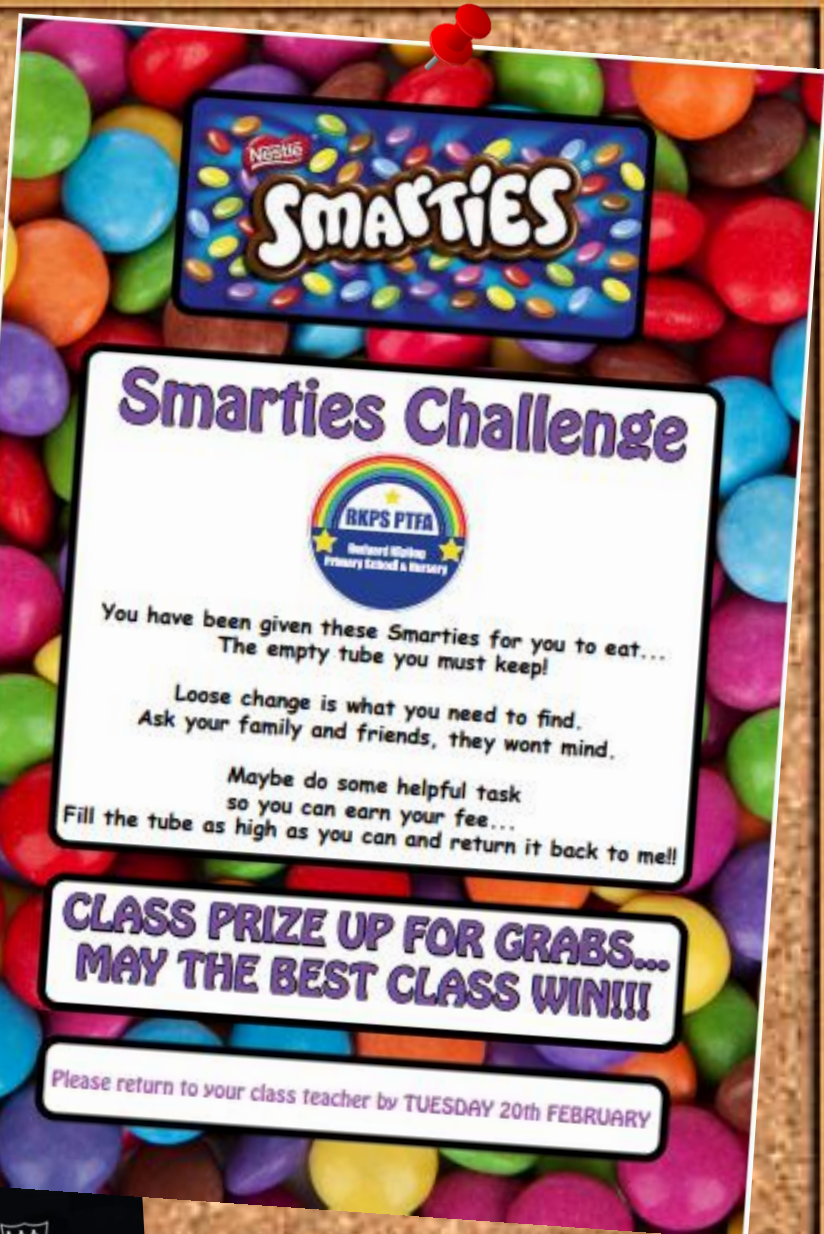
This is a reminder that an exciting Technology and STEM Camp will be held at Rudyard Kipling Primary School during the February half term on the 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th February.

Our aim is to **inspire, engage** and **empower** the next generation of creators, coders and inventors. We have put together an action-packed activity schedule with something for every child, to not only excite and engage, but to extend their learning in a fun and unique way using the latest and greatest tech. Activities include:


- **ROCKING ROBOTS** - Build, program and debug; bring robots to life!
- **LEGO GEARS, MOTORS AND CONTRAPTIONS** - Power up Lego creations with movement, light and sound
- **INGENIOUS CIRCUITRY** - Create electronic wonders, while exploring the world of circuits and invention with so many imaginative possibilities
- **3D PEN CREATIONS** – Embrace your inner artist and experiment with the magic of 3D pens
- **MEDIA MADNESS**- Aspiring directors and actors will learn all about the art of filmmaking and bring your own creations to life on screen!
- **VIRTUAL REALITY** - With the magic of VR, you can explore breath-taking virtual worlds, design your own adventures, and unleash your imagination like never before
- **MINECRAFT ENGINEERING** - As a Minecraft engineer, you can build incredible structures, create ingenious Redstone contraptions, and bring your wildest dreams to life
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Our camps cater to **ages 5-11**. **Spaces are limited**, so **don't miss out and book online today** at <https://www.nextthing.education/product/rudyard-kipling-primary-school-february-camp/>

Community Notice Board



Smarties Challenge


Richard Wilson
Primary School & Nursery

You have been given these Smarties for you to eat...
The empty tube you must keep!

Loose change is what you need to find.
Ask your family and friends, they wont mind.

Maybe do some helpful task
so you can earn your fee...
Fill the tube as high as you can and return it back to me!!

**CLASS PRIZE UP FOR GRABS...
MAY THE BEST CLASS WIN!!!**

Please return to your class teacher by **TUESDAY 20th FEBRUARY**



BRIGHTON

DAY & TIMINGS
Wednesdays @ 4pm to 5pm
Sessions begin 20th Sept 2023
(Excluding Half Terms)

AGE
7 - 12 years old

COST
NONE - IT'S FREE!!!!

WHAT TO EXPECT
Fast & fun soft ball cricket, no equipment
required. All abilities welcome!

HOW TO GET INVOLVED
Contact matt.whipsey@sussexcricket.co.uk
Website sussexcricket.co.uk/chance-shine-street


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Reminders

Class Teacher

1

- Any parent/carer communication should be with the Class Teacher in the first instance.

Head of Key Stage

2

- If the Class Teacher is unable to advise or rectify the issue this can then be escalated to the Head of Key Stage.

Deputy Head/SENCO

3

- If the Head of Key Stage is unable to advise to rectify the issue, this can then be escalated to the Deputy Headteacher or SENCO if your child has additional needs.

Headteacher

4

- If the Deputy Headteacher/SENCO is unable to advise or rectify the issue, this can then be escalated to the Headteacher.

Chair of Governors

5

- If the Headteacher is unable to advise or rectify the issue, the matter can then be escalated to the Chair of Governors.

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

Coats for School!

Please can parents and carers ensure that children arrive at school wearing a coat. The weather is now colder and wetter. We like our children to be able to continue to go out at playtimes with a coat on!

Thank you.



Dates for the Diary

January 2024	
Wednesday 31st	Y3 Westcott Wednesday
February 2024	
Tuesday 6th	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 7th	Year 6 with Chef John learning: Knife skills
Monday 12th	HALF TERM
Monday 19 th	Children return
March 2024	
Tuesday 12th	Parent Consultations – more info to follow
Wednesday 13th	Parent Consultations – more info to follow

