



# Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery

## Newsletter

Where learning is an adventure!

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Our children have enjoyed some special experiences this week: the extra opportunities which make our school so much fun.

On Tuesday, we were visited by four musicians, Rune, for an early music recital. The songs they sang to (and with) the children were so beautiful. Medieval history and music were joined in perfect harmony and our Year 5 children also enjoyed a music workshop after the performance: there are some fine voices in Year 5!

The following day saw Year 3 visit Brighton Museum for an Ancient Egyptian workshop. Our young historians returned very excitedly at the new knowledge they had learned from experts. They especially enjoyed their mummification workshop!

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of accompanying our Year 6 children to Plumpton College for a dual day of cooking and learning about farming. One group of our children prepared a delicious tomato pasta dish, whilst the other made a scrumptious apple crumble: all made from fresh ingredients grown on the farm. At lunchtime, we enjoyed eating these two freshly made dishes! In addition to this, the children were treated to a tour of the farm: we saw an amazing robot milking machine and were fortunate to witness the birth of two twin lambs! This was definitely a school trip which will live long in the memory bank.

A common theme of these three experiences was that our children's exemplary behaviour was remarked upon on all three occasions which was super.

The special events keep coming and today is World Book Day Dress Up: I've heard a rumour that a 'zebras' and two 'gorillas' will be roaming free in the playgrounds later! Do check in to our school's Instagram and Twitter pages for some lovely photos of this and the other events of the week.

It is International Women's Day today and we mark this by celebrating #LetGirlsPlay in school-our football pitches are given over to the girls for the day. Ms Nazarko, Mrs Woolven, Mr Mack, Mr Wynne and myself will all be leading girls only sport. The RKPS lioness who sits proudly in our library is a daily reminder of the value we place on equality and of promoting girls' sport.

Finally we wish those celebrating Ramadan, Ramadan Kareem.

Have a wonderful weekend

*Euan Hainington*

Headteacher



Positivity



Teamwork



Equality



Respect



Kindness

# Special Mentions

## Khaliyl



Wow, what an incredible return to Kahlo, Khaliyl has made! He has fitted back in seamlessly and everyone in Kahlo are delighted to have you back as part of the team. Khaliyl has been showing super readiness to have a go with all the learning. He has also been shown great perseverance to complete all his tasks. Khaliyl has embodied all 5 of the school values, particularly positivity. I am simply over the moon with how Khaliyl is doing. A massive well done!

## Eren

YR1



Eren, where to start? Your readiness to learning has really impressed me recently, and as a result you have been producing super pieces of work. You have been sharing such insightful and interesting ideas all about our World Book Week story – The Wild, and I especially loved reading your speech work about what the Wild would say to the people. Keep up the hard work Eren, your independence is growing every day and you are really starting to fly!

## Adam



Adam – you super-duper superstar! We are so proud of how well you are remembering. Every morning, you greet us and request your lunch with such polite manners and full sentences – thank you. And you contribute your ideas and responses more and more during whole-class learning – great job! And your reading – wow! You are remembering lots of words as well as reading with increasing fluency and independence. Keep it up, buddy!

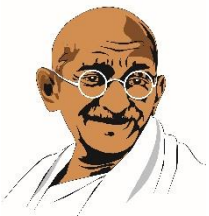
YR2

## Chiara



Chiara has been showing excellent readiness in class recently. Not only has she been coming in with a great big smile ready to brighten up our day BUT she will be the first one seen on the carpet ready to soak all the learning in like a sponge. Her great readiness has enabled her to make excellent progress in our phonics lessons. She is a star word builder who thinks very carefully about the sounds in each word she writes. Chiara, you're setting the bar so high, even gravity is impressed! Keep shining bright like the superstar you are!

## Matheus



Concentrating for long periods of time is never easy but if you're Matheus, it's a piece of cake. This week, he has been like a hawk - listening to instructions carefully and carrying out tasks first time with immense accuracy. To add to this, he has endeavoured to answer questions in every input this week, especially during our maths sessions on measure! His beaming smile and sense of pride in these sessions were a joy to behold – keep being so wonderful, Matheus!

YR3

## Elliot



Elliot has wowed us this week with his resourcefulness and readiness to learn. He wrote an amazing free verse poem about The Wild, which should be published! We are going to add it to the school's poetry tree. We can't wait to see his amazing speech he is going to write today!

Lily-Rose

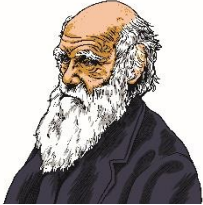
YR4



What a week Lily-Rose has had. She has been in fine form while showcasing her excellent remembering skills during World Book Week. Her editing skills have come on phenomenally, taking her story and adding flamboyant and adventurous vocabulary to add that extra flair and really stand out from the rest. Well done Lily Rose!

Sofie

YR5



The standard of Sofie's work in all subjects has been so impressive of late, but it is her articulate and thoughtful contributions that really show she is 'Year 6 ready'. She is always ready to share her wise words about subjects that interest her, such as the 'Space Race' in our recent history lessons. She is a role model to all her classmates and will be an invaluable asset in Year 6!

Arthur



This Special Mention is so well deserved as Arthur continually displays all 5R's. He always tries his hardest, he is always so keen and interested to learn and he is an absolute joy to have in class. Furthermore, Arthur really does always display 'perfect posture'!

Mason

YR6



Read as Sir David Attenborough.

The Mason is an enthusiastic member of Yousafzai class who frequently delights us with his mesmerising work. During English lessons, Mason can be seen (from any distance) with his head deep into a thesaurus - searching to find new and interesting vocabulary to suit his audience. Bravo the Mason! Truly remarkable.



YR Thunberg

**Amina** – Great problem solving and puzzle skills.

YR Rashford

**Skyla** - Fantastic writing of rainbow, bush and flower.

YI Kahlo

**Albie** - Super counting using tens and ones!

**Isobel** - Stunning writing linked to The Wild.

YI Obama

**Laith** - Writing fantastic sentences based on 'The Wild'.

**Leo** - Super science learning on parts of a pant.

Y2 Attenborough:

**Tiger** - For remembering lots of information about the Great Fire of London!

Y2 Parks

**Jack** - For knowing sign language for A-Z!

**Freddie** - Excellent geography learning on the differences between Greenland and UK.

Y4 Mandela

**Rodan and Dempsey** - Handwriting Heroes!

**Thomas** - Superb writing based on 'The Wild'

**Ariah** - Remarkable independent skills in writing.

Y5 Seacole:

**Thea** - A stylish and thoughtful piece linked to 'The Wild'.

**Jessica**- A beautiful penned piece of writing on 'The Wild'.

**Liam** - A fantastic persuasive piece of writing, superbly crafted and Year 6 in standard.

Y6 Yousafzai

**Victor and William M** - Stylish and thoughtful writing linked to the book, 'The Wild'.

# RKPS Reading Recommendations



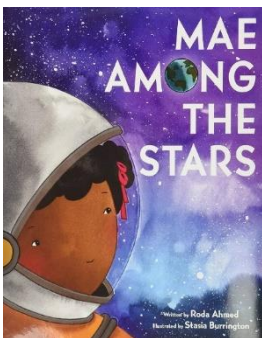
Hello all, every week the English Team and various adults around school share two reading recommendations for you and your lovely children to read.

To celebrate International Women's Day we're drawing attention to famous women in history/herstory and books which feature strong, independent girl characters.

## Reading Research Alert:

*"One child, one teacher, **one book**, one pen can change the world."* Malala Yousafzai

*Mae Among the Stars* by Roda Ahmed and illustrated by Stasia Burrington



Mae Jemison famously became the first African American woman in space on the Space Shuttle Endeavour in 1992 but years before that historic journey, she was a little girl who dreamed of dancing in space. Her mother told her, "If you believe it, and work hard for it, anything is possible." Little Mae's curiosity, intelligence, and determination, matched with her parents' encouraging words, paved the way for her incredible success at NASA. This inspirational introduction to a trailblazing astronaut will encourage children to reach for the stars and never give up on their dreams.

*Fly, Girl, Fly! Shaesta Waiz Soars around the World* by Nancy Roe Pimm



Shaesta Waiz was born in a refugee camp in Afghanistan and moved to America as a baby. As a child, she knew she wanted to do "great things," and as a teen, a trip to Florida on a plane gave her taste of "the view from above" — so she decided to be a pilot! Waiz would become the first person in her family to graduate from college, and got a pilot's license. Then she decided to try a challenge: flying around the world solo! She became the youngest woman, and first from Afghanistan, to circumnavigate the globe alone in a single-engine aircraft — and at each stop, she talked to kids and encouraged them to "chase down dreams of their own!" This inspiring picture book biography includes a personal note from Waiz and information about her nonprofit organization Dreams Soar.

## The Worry Tiger: A magical mindfulness story to soothe, comfort and calm by Alexandra Page and illustrated by Stef Murphy

Miss Vaughan was blown away when she recently read this gorgeous picture book that weaves mindfulness actions into a magical story, helping young children to feel calm and relaxed.

It's show-and-tell tomorrow and Rory is anxious – he doesn't have anything special to share with the class. But everything changes when Rory meets his very own worry tiger.



"Try this," said the tiger. "See how quiet you can be. Tiptoe like a tiger and tell me what you see."

Breathe deep to smell the jungle scents.  
Stretch to join the monkeys high up in the trees.  
Listen carefully to the creatures all around.

This enchanting story is full of mindfulness actions that anyone can use to feel calm and beat anxiety.

*The Worry Tiger* is a colourfully illustrated book with a gentle rhyme that's a joy to read aloud and will help children relax and share their thoughts and worries.

Includes a set of fun and easy mindfulness activities at the back of the book to encourage calm, happiness and creativity for young children.

## Pages & Co.: Tilly and the Bookwanderers by Anna James



Since the disappearance of her mother, Tilly has lived in a bookshop with her grandparents, where she has found comfort amongst the pages of her favourite books. When she discovers her special ability to wander in and out of books alongside her favourite characters, she realises this could hold the key to finding out what really happened to her mother. But she is unnerved by the appearance of the mysterious Enoch Chalk who turns up in the most unexpected of places, taking an unusual interest in Tilly and watching her very closely. Spellbinding and truly magical, the world of Pages & Co is enchanting for readers young and old.

## Year 5/6 Hockey

Year 6 boys and Year 5 girls came second in an engaging tournament of quicksticks hockey. It was a joy to see them use their teamwork value by supporting and encouraging each other!



# Equalities



In Year 1 this week we have been celebrating the differences in our skin colour. We had a circle time together and spoke about the things that make us different. We discussed that these differences are great and should be celebrated and that we are all equally special.

## Stars of the Week

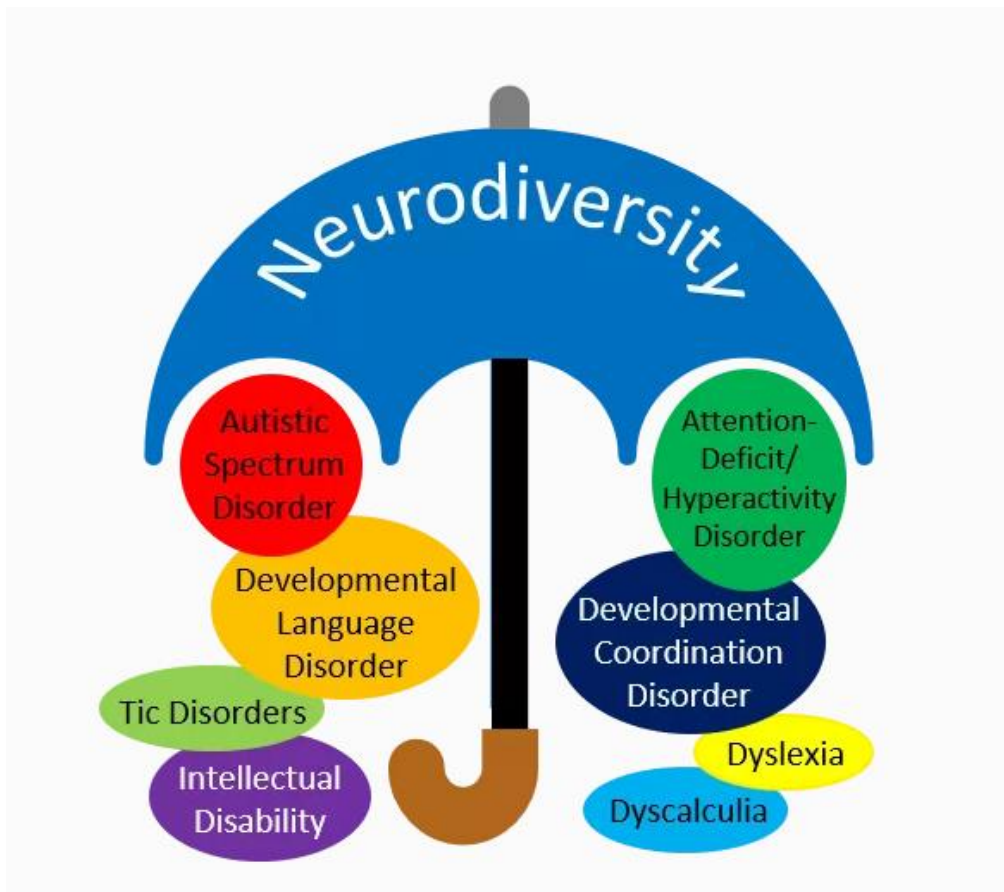
After School Club – KSI – Reegan in Obama for always playing so positively and following the rules.  
KS2 – Ela in Darwin for always being so creative.

## Lunchtime Stars of the Week

★ **Oakley** ★ **Euan W** ★ **Charlie B**  
For all playing tennis nicely every day.

## Neurodiversity Week

We will be celebrating Neurodiversity Week during the WB 18<sup>th</sup> March. Children will be developing their understanding of their own and each other's strengths and differences.



# #LetGirlsPlay



School  
Notices

## REMINDER: Staff Car Park

We kindly ask that parents and carers do not use the staff car park to drop off or pick up children for Breakfast/After School Club (unless authorised by the school). Please utilise the street parking along Chalkland rise.

## Cricket Experience Day



### Cricket experience day - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

We are delighted to be welcoming Matt Whippey from Sussex Cricket to school next Thursday. He is going to spend the whole day on the school field working with children in Years 1-6 and teaching them some fantastic cricket skills! Please can the children come to school that day in appropriate outdoor PE kit.

## Brighton Miles returns in 2024!

Entry is free and open to everyone, with all finishers receiving a medal and a digital finisher's certificate.

The Brighton Miles offers everyone the chance to be part of the action by running, jogging or walking a one-mile course in Preston Park.

Please read the Brighton Miles terms and conditions [here](https://www.brightonmarathonweekend.co.uk/events/brighton-miles) before registering.

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## Special Person's Day

We are sorry that our traditional Special Person event will not be taking place this year. We recognise that it is a popular event, providing children with a lovely opportunity to independently buy a gift for their mum or another special person. Indeed, Mr Hanington enjoyed helping out on the stall last March! We are sorry that it wasn't able to take place this year and hope for its return in 2025.

# Community Notice Board



**EASTER CAMPS**

**SWERVE SOCCER**

**DAY CAMP SUMMARY**  
25-28 Mar, 2024 | St Christophers School, Hove  
2-6 Apr, 2024 | BHASVIC, Hove  
8-12 Apr, 2024 | BHASVIC, Hove

Swerve Soccer offers a safe, enjoyable training environment for players of all abilities. Players can expect daily matches, World Cup Tournaments, Swerve challenges and lunchtime competitions. Each day there will be opportunities for children in each age group to win stickers for their 'Sticker Collector Card' for 'Player of the Day', 'Goal of the Day', 'Save of the Day' and various additional competitions!

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**RESIDENTIAL CAMP SUMMARY**  
3-5 Apr, 2024 | Bede's Senior School, Hailsham

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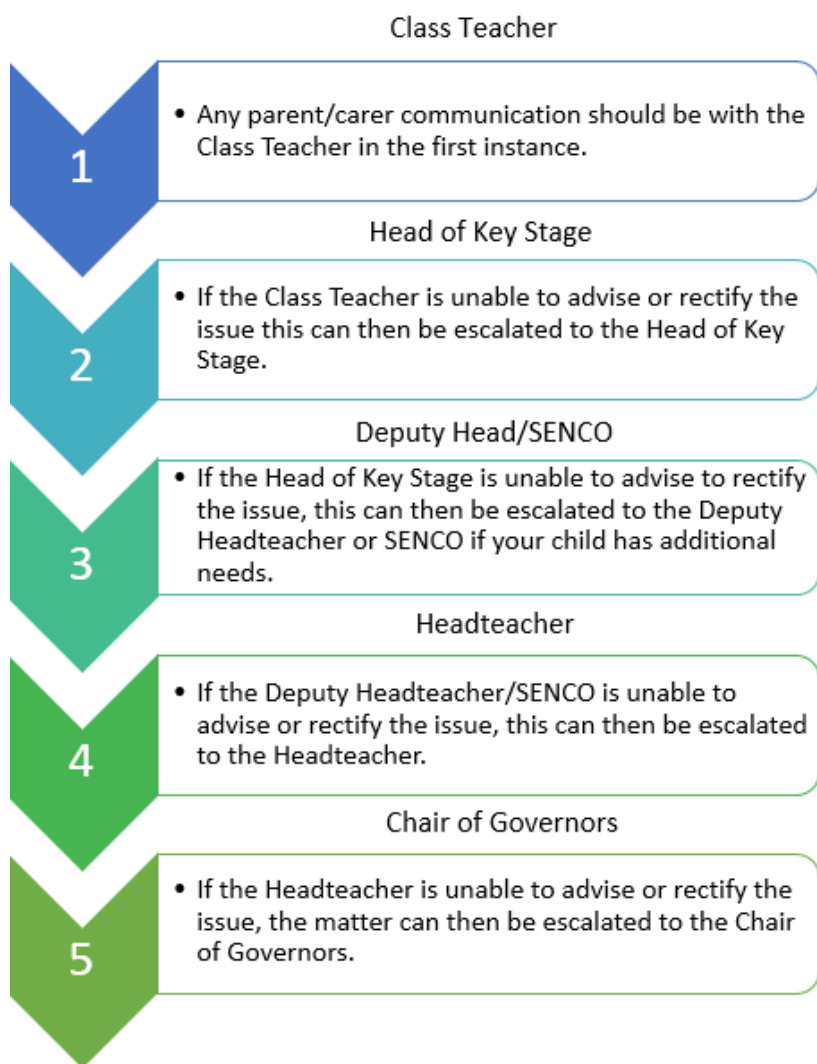
Trustpilot 5 stars, Ofsted Outstanding

SCAN ME & LEARN MORE!





# Reminders



## 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

## Dates for the Diary

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <b>March 2024</b>          |   |
| Tuesday 12th               | Parent Consultations, Y4 Group 1 trip to La Choza |
| Wednesday 13th             | Parent Consultations, Y4 Group 2 trip to La Choza |
| Tuesday 19th               | Let's Dance at Brighton Dome                      |
| Wednesday 20th             | Y5 trip to South Downs Planetarium                |
| Tuesday 26th               | Rocksteady Concert 2:30pm                         |
| Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> | Y1 Trip to Lewes Castle                           |
| Thursday 28th              | KS2 Choir recital (2:30pm)<br>LAST DAY OF TERM    |
| <b>April 2024</b>          |   |
| Monday 15th                | First Day of term                                 |

