

# Rudyard Kipling Primary School & Nursery Newsletter

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**Headteacher: Mrs J Smith**

Dear Families and Friends of Rudyard

Well Done Year 6 this week for working so hard during your SATs! The Year 6 Team and Staff around school have been so impressed with the great attitude that the children have had this week and really wanting to do their best – well done and all that hard work has paid off! Year 6 can now look forward to their residential trip, the Year 6 Show and all the lovely things that Miss Vaughan and Miss Beaumont have got planned for you.

Thank you to everyone Children, Parents, Staff and Governors who turned up last week to be part of the Children's Parade. Our 4 Snow Dogs looked absolutely amazing and were simply stunning – I felt very proud to be the Head Teacher of Rudyard Kipling Primary School! It was a great day and a celebration of everybody's commitment to events beyond the curriculum as well as supporting our community.

Having made everyone aware last term of the significant funding cuts that are being made to schools and education I would like to remind you of the Parent Action Group SOS that has been started up by a local group of parents to support schools and to ensure that parents and carers understand the implications of the funding cuts that are already affecting schools locally and across the country. All Brighton and Hove Schools have been asked to display a banner to increase awareness in the city.

Alongside this I would like to remind everyone that we do have a lot of class trips coming up this term and in order for these to go ahead we do need to cover the costs with parent contributions. Without your contributions the amazing trips, events and opportunities that we as a school want to continue to provide would not take place. Thank you for your support and if you have any queries regarding payments please do not hesitate to contact the School Office who are happy to give you a payment plan. We hope that by giving notice of any trips this helps spread the cost over the year.

Next week is Walk to School Week and if you can encourage your children to take part in this event that would be great!

*Joanne Smith*

## Head Teacher Awards

Mowgli – Sophia Tambourides, Harley Evans & Xavier Lammas  
Jacala – Noah Eastlake & Mya Trussler  
Shada – Daniel Leverett





## Attendance & On Time Ted

This week the Teddies were awarded to:

### Attendance

**KS1** Baloo 99.1%

**KS2** Mysa & KO 100%

### On Time

**KS1** Baloo 100%

**KS2** Singum, Shada, Mysa & KO 100%

## Every School Day Counts

### Punctuality

Being 5 mins late each day in a school year is the same as missing 3 whole school days!



## Social Media Sites

Please ensure that as parents/carers you are monitoring your children's use of the internet and especially any Social Media sites that they are accessing. This continues to be a major problem not just here at Rudyard, but across the country. If you would like any advice, support or information about how to support and protect your children as well as monitoring and restricting their use of the internet please contact the Inclusion Team.

## Parent Governor

Last week a flyer was sent to all families as we have a vacancy for a Parent Governor (flyer is attached to this letter). If you think you might be interested or would like to find out more please let the School Office know and they will arrange a time for you to meet with Mrs Burdsey (Chair of Governors) or Mrs Smith to find out more.

We need you!



## School Nurse - Drop In

The School Nurse will be in on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May from 8.30am – 9.15am. If you have any concerns or need advice please feel free to come along.





## School Uniform!

We have noticed how smart many of the children are looking in their school uniform since the start of this term. Thank you to all of you who continue to support us in encouraging the children to look smart, wear their uniform with pride and to respect our school rules. I often get asked “*are these shoes ok? What about these trousers?*” I hope by attaching our Uniform Code to this letter that this answers any queries. School Uniform is reasonably priced and can be purchased from most major supermarkets. Therefore there is no excuse for children to be wearing skinny jeans, jogging bottoms, cargo style trousers or fashion shorts.

All that we ask is that if your child does not currently have correct uniform that when you need to replace it that you purchase what we expect and require in school. We want all our children to feel valued members of the Rudyard Community, they do feel this when they are wearing the correct clothing. All of the staff team at Rudyard are encouraged to remind the children of the correct uniform and shoes that we expect to be worn.

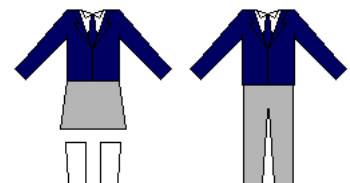
We recognise that the majority of children are wearing the correct uniform and that this continues to improve! We just need everybody on board now! Thank you for supporting us in maintaining high standards and for helping us to raise those standards even higher!

### The school uniform is:

- Plain navy or grey skirt, pinafore dress, grey or black smart tailored trousers
- Navy sweatshirt (school logo – available from school), Plain navy jumper or cardigan (no logo), navy fleece (school logo – available from school)
- Plain white shirt, blouse or polo top
- Securely fastening black or navy shoes or black trainers (no logo)

In warmer weather the following may be worn:

- Blue & white striped or checked dress
- Plain navy/grey or black shorts
- Securely fastening sandals



### **All children are expected to wear the school uniform**

This is not only practical but it also helps children develop a pride in their appearance and in the unity of the school.

### **P.E.**

All children need to have PE kit in school made up of dark shorts, white tee-shirt (or navy version with school logo – available from school for £4.50) and plimsolls.

**All clothes and possessions should be carefully marked with the child’s full name**





	<b>SPRING TERM</b>
<u>May</u>	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	2.45pm Year Reception Topic Chat <b>PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE</b>
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Portsmouth Trip
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	School Nurse - Drop In
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Uniform Day
	9am Year 3 Assembly
Week beginning Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term
<u>June</u>	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Children Return</b>
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Residential Trip
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	9am 100% attendance KSI
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9am 100% attendance KS2
	Year 2 Woods Mill Trip
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	New Intake 2017 Parents welcome evening 6pm – 7pm
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9am Rhyme & Shine KSI hall
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Newhaven Fort Trip
<u>July</u>	
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	9am Rhyme & Shine KSI hall
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9am KSI Gold and 100% attendance
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	9am KS2 Gold and 100% attendance
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	LAST DAY OF TERM

We need a new Parent Governor!

This is a very satisfying and responsible role which will give you the opportunity to make a real difference to our school community. You will provide a parent's voice and viewpoint and influence the way the school works with parents and carers.

No special skills are required and free training will be provided.

We think this is an interesting and rewarding role which will have a positive impact on your personal and professional life. You will meet new people and learn how schools work. You could also gain experience of budget setting, interviewing staff or developing policies. As a parent governor, you can have a positive effect on the lives of children in our community for years to come.

If you are interested in putting yourself forward and would like to find out more about this exciting role, please complete the slip below and we will arrange a time for you to come and chat with Mrs Burdsey – Chair of Governors.



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I am interested in becoming a parent Governor at Rudyard Kipling Primary School.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_



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# NON-UNIFORM DAY

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017



The PTFA are organising a non-uniform day on Friday 26 May, ahead of our Father's Day gift sale!

This year we have decided to make personalised magnets designed by your child. Further details, including how to order, will be sent home soon.

If your child would like to take part by coming into school wearing their own clothes, we would kindly ask for either  
**a £1 donation, or a donation of unopened chocolate or sweets.**

**Thank you for supporting this PTFA event; all profits go straight back into your child's school.**

**As teaching and learning will take place as normal on the non-uniform day, please ensure your child comes to school in suitable clothing and safe shoes.**

Many thanks for your continued support.  
Rudyard Kipling PTFA Committee