

# Rudyard Kipling Primary School & Nursery Newsletter

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Dear Families of Rudyard

Just to remind you that we have two Child Welfare Officers; Tara Bryant and Cheryl Pierce and an external Educational Welfare Officer called Jackie Storey. Together they support the school and all of you in ensuring that attendance for every child is good at Rudyard. I would like to remind you that children are expected to be in school every day. We do have to record attendance for the Local Authority who look at our absences and monitor what we are doing as a school to improve attendance for Rudyard! Ideally children are expected to have 100% attendance, but we know that for some children this is not always realistic and therefore the Local Authority and the Government set a target of 95% attendance for all children. This means that any child who falls below 95% is being monitored and all children below 90% are registered as Persistent Absentees. We understand that there may be specific medical reasons for a child being absent and I would like to reassure you that we always take that into account.

The Local Authority continues to issue Fixed Penalty Fines for holidays in term time and should you have any queries, please direct those to the Local Authority, as we have no discretion and have to follow their procedures.

Please do ask if we can help and support you in any way to improve your child's attendance – we are all here to help!

Exciting New Library plans – we have successfully managed to receive some funding to redevelop the School Library area. The staff have looked at designs and will be sharing these with the School Council. The P.T.F.A. are actively supporting us this year with our Library Project – many thanks to all of you who contribute in so many ways.

Kind regards

*Joanne Smith*

## Head Teacher Awards

Nursery – Lennon Wickins-Poole & Tobias Parish

Jacala – Jessica Lankin & Libbi Pocock

Singum – Jared Dempsey

Shada – Victoria Kiwior

Kotick – Zak Ellinger & Maha Elnouri

Ko – Harrison Hope

Mysa - Lewis Manser



## Attendance & On Time Ted

This week the Teddies were awarded to:



### Attendance

**KS1** Baloo & Jacala 96.3%

**KS2** Mysa 98.3%

### On Time

**KS1** Mowgli & Tabaqui 100%

**KS2** Singum 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!**





You can now prepay for uniform on Parent Pay and then collect from the office

### OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM

The school uniform is:

- Plain navy or grey skirt, pinafore dress, grey or black smart 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

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 P.E. kit in school made up of dark shorts, white tee-shirt (or navy version with school logo – available from school) and plimsolls

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

**We now have some new P.E. T-Shirts in stock, which are navy with the school logo on.  
They are available from the School Office for £4.50**

#### **LOST PROPERTY!!**

We have accumulated huge amounts of lost property from the end of last term and the beginning of this term. On **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm in the KS2 hall** we will be laying it all out for you to look through. If your child has lost anything please come and take a look!

<u>October</u>	
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Non – Uniform day
	Year 1 Assembly
Week beginning Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	HALF TERM
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Inset Day – School closed to children
<u>November</u>	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Children return
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9am School Attendance Drop In KS2 hall 4.30pm – 7pm Parent Consultations
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9am KSI 100% Attendance Assembly 3.40pm – 6.10pm Parent Consultations
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	9am KS2 100% Attendance Assembly
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	6pm Open session for September 2017 Reception intake
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9am Year 4 Assembly
<u>December</u>	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3.15pm – 4.25pm - KSI Christmas Party 3.15pm – 4.30pm – KS2 Christmas Disco
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	9am KSI Gold Certificate Assembly
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	9am KS2 Gold Certificate Assembly Christmas Lunch
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccination – Years 1, 2 & 3
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	P.T.F.A. Christmas Raffle to be drawn
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am KSI Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsal – KS2 hall 2pm KS2 Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsal – KS2 hall
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am KSI Christmas Performance – KS2 hall
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	2pm KSI Christmas Performance – KS2 hall
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	2pm KS2 Christmas Performance – KS2 hall 6pm KS2 Christmas Performance – KS2 hall
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	LAST DAY OF TERM





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# NON UNIFORM DAY

*Friday 21st October 2016*

The PTFA are organising the above fundraising day in support of our Christmas raffle. If your child would like to wear their own clothes to school on the above day, we would kindly ask that in exchange your child brings into school one of the following:

- A prize suitable to enter into the raffle (if you know of any businesses you could approach for a prize or gift voucher that would be great)
  - A chocolate donation (we plan to make up a Chocolate Hamper!)
  - A food item that could be put into a hamper (e.g. wine, biscuits, crackers, pickles, jam, Christmas pudding or other food items)
  - Any unopened toiletries (e.g. perfume, body lotion, shower gel, bubble bath etc.)
- OR**
- A £1 donation

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

Many thanks for your support  
Rudyard Kipling PTFA



OUT FOR RAFFLE TICKETS COMING HOME WITH YOUR CHILD NEXT HALF TERM! WE HOPE TO HAVE SOME GREAT PRIZES

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