



Rudyard Kipling Primary School & Nursery Newsletter

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Dear Families and Friends of Rudyard,

Happy Christmas to all our lovely children and families of Rudyard!

Our week began with the choir performing at the Brighton Centre on Monday evening along with 44 other Brighton and Hove Schools! They sang beautifully and I felt very proud of the children. Thank you for supporting this event and a big thank you to Mr Groves and Miss Lee-Bull for organising this and teaching the children all the Christmas songs!

An amazing Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity this week - the children were all stars and clearly enjoyed performing, singing, dancing and being part of this lovely Christmas Play! Thank you to all the staff and Parents/Carers for all your hard work and support. The unique video of the children singing along to Mariah Carey's Christmas song will soon be on the website for you to share with families and friends over Christmas! Thank you Miss Moore for putting this together!

Then we were treated to a wonderful Key Stage 2 performance which was brilliant! Great singing, dancing and acting by Year 5 and perfect props made by the children and adult helpers - thank you everyone for such a great team effort! It was really lovely to see so many children stay at school and come back for the evening performance. The children work so hard to learn their lines and songs and it is really important that they are there on the night to perform. Thank you for all of your support.

I was invited to watch the Nursery perform The Gingerbread Man and some lovely Christmas singing. Ms Smith and the Nursery Team work really hard to ensure the children in Nursery have such a great start to school and it is so important for families to get involved with everything your children are doing at school.

There were some lovely photographs of both performances in the Wednesday edition of the Evening Argus.

The Reindeer Run was a huge success and we have raised lots of money for the Chestnut Tree Hospice. Once all the sponsor money is in we will give you a final total. Quite a few children wanted to do this as a sponsored event and so have raised 'extra' money - well done to all of you! We are going to have another Christmas Jumper Day on Wednesday 20th December to celebrate the end of term and if you want to contribute 50p this will go to Save the Children for their National Christmas Jumper Days 2017.

As you are all aware Mrs Kirby has been Acting Head of School at Mile Oak Primary School this term for two days a week. From January Mrs Kirby will be at Mile Oak every Wednesday to continue supporting the school. It is important that schools support each other and Mrs Kirby has been recognised as being a great help at Mile Oak, which we always knew she would be, but we look forward to her being back with us every day after Easter!

Thank you to the PTFA for the Christmas Parties last Friday, which were once again very popular and a great success! If you are interested in helping at any PTFA events please contact Jen Lelliott via the school office or the Rudyard PTFA Facebook group. A few parents in year 6 have asked if it is possible to do the Leavers Hoodies earlier so that the children can get more wear out of them. The PTFA have kindly agreed to organise this again and an order form will go out to all year 6 children with hoodies to be worn after February half term. It is great that the children and parents/carers are keen for us to do Leavers Hoodies again as they were a great success and very popular with the children.

We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Tuesday 2nd January 2018 - have a wonderful Christmas!

With best wishes from
Mrs J Smith and all the Staff at Rudyard Kipling

Head Teacher Awards

Mowgli – Joseph Pattenden, Noah O’Hanlon, Max Cooper

Dahinda – Benjamin Busk, Bella Martin, Indie Irvine, Perry Anderson, Kajus Steponkus, Kiyali Stockdale-Kinsey

Keego – Layla Hide

Shada – Alex Price & Charlie Storey

Sona – Bradley Springall

Kotick – Libby Bradley, Josh Cahalane, Lisl Dowsett-Jones, Timi Negrelescu

Sona – Mason Brittain, Jack Proctor, Grace Taylor, Ethan Hooker

Ko – Bobby Laws, Zak Ellenger, Cameron Edwards, Hassan Majid & Brandon Kenward, Teegan Gillespie,

Tiffany Mustafa-Suzor

Mysa – David Sharpe, Ellis Skatch, Connal Rhoden, Frankie Lyons, Rebecca Musselle & Amelie Sproull,

Angharad Board, Isabelle Wickenden



School Dinner

On **Wednesday 20th December** there will a whole lunch menu swap. It will be Friday's menu:



Fish Fingers and chips
BBQ Bean Quesadilla with chips

KS2 only- sandwiches will be:

Chicken Mayo & Salad Wholemeal Sandwich
Quorn & Salad Wholemeal Sandwich

Blankets

Thank you to parents who donated cosy blankets - if anyone has any clean, warm blankets spare, please bring them into the Office. The Student Council decided this would be nice for the children to wrap around themselves at playtimes when they take part in quiet games.



Reindeer Run!



On Wednesday the whole school took part in a charity run dressed as reindeers to raise money for Chestnut Tree House. Thank you to everyone who took part in the day, buying antlers and making donations, we had so much fun and raised an incredible amount of money! Thank you also to the many children that took the opportunity to raise even more money with getting their friends and family to sponsor them. The final amount raised will be put in the newsletter after Christmas as there is still time to bring in any donations and sponsorship money.

Well done every one you were amazing, have a lovely Christmas holiday!
Miss Morgan



Christmas Jumper Day!

We are having another Christmas Jumper Day on **Wednesday 20th December** to celebrate the end of term and get into the Christmas mood. If you want to contribute 50p, this will go to Save the Children for their National Christmas Jumper Days 2017.



Nursery Reminder

Our Nursery (both classes little cubs and Akela) will be **closed on the 2nd January** due to home visits. They are back on **Wednesday 3rd January 2018**. So all you little ones get an extra day off.





BEANIES

Christmas Toys sold in aid of
Martlets Hospice


£3.00 each Teddies

£2.00 each Keyring



We are still selling these adorable Beanies for Christmas. They would make a perfect stocking filler or small gift. They are available now in the office. All the money goes to the Martlets Hospice.

Thank you!

	AUTUMN TERM	
<u>December</u>		
Monday 18th	Year 1 Turrets and Tiaras Royal Banquet	
Tuesday 19th	2.30pm – Dance Club Performance in KS2 Hall	
Wednesday 20th	Last Day Of Term & Christmas Jumper Day!	
<u>January 2018</u>		
Tuesday 2nd	First Day Back for School	
Wednesday 3rd	Nursery Back Today	



**All New Year Dates to follow in the New Year.
Merry Christmas Everybody and Happy New Year!**

