



Rugby Free

Primary School

Newsletter 24

Friday 26th March

2021

Red Nose Day

Congratulations to the winners of our Red Nose Day Joke Competition:

Reception – Harriet G	Year 3 – Dylan H
Year 1 – Harman	Year 4 – Evelyn
Year 2 – Toby	Year 5 – Zac D



The winners received a certificate and a chocolate Easter bunny.

We raised a total of **£320.93** for wearing our bright, cheerful clothes and fancy dress. Thank you to everyone that took part. This money has been donated to Comic Relief to help those less fortunate than ourselves.



Stars of the Week

Reception

- Giraffes:** Caelan
- Lions:** Cohen C
- Zebras:** Ellie

Year One

- Hedgehogs:** Erin
- Owls:** Arya
- Rabbits:** Luke

Year Two

- Orcas:** Finn
- Penguins:** Emily
- Seals:** Isla W-L

Year Three

- Crocodiles:** Amalfi
- Kangaroos:** John
- Turtles:** Cameron

Year Four

- Bears:** Amelia
- Eagles:** Sydney
- Raccoons:** Joe

Year Five

- Elephants:** Precious
- Pandas:** Lucas
- Tigers:** Jacob

Master inventors in Year Three

Year 3 became inventors last week and designed and made a pair of wings for Icarus. The children took on the role of Daedalus, the master craftsman, and designed a pair of wings for Icarus to withstand the sun's heat. The children showed some great collaboration.

This week, the children have learnt about pollination and even dissected some flowering plants.



Learning about Christianity in Year One

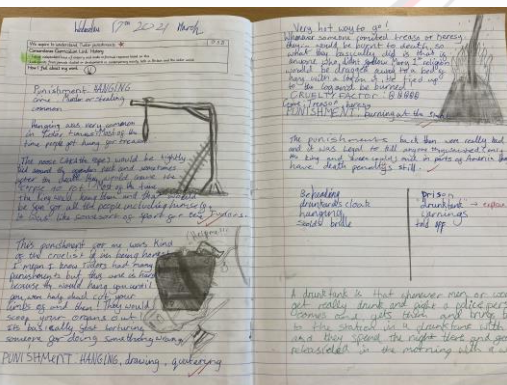


This week the children have continued their learning about Jesus and why he is so important to Christians. Last week we looked at how people welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem by waving palm leaves and laying their coats on the floor. This week the children thought about how Christians might welcome Jesus if he came to visit them. The children came up with some brilliant ideas of cheering, clapping, waving flags, giving him some food and even showing him around their house! The children then created beautiful bunting to showcase their ideas.



Year Five

Over the last two weeks in Year 5, we have been busy researching and presenting information about Tudor crimes and punishments! The children very much enjoyed finding out about how gruesome and brutal the Tudors really were and comparing this to modern times. Did you know homelessness and begging were seen as crimes and were punishable by death? Year 5 impressed us by getting thoroughly stuck in to debating whether they thought these punishments were fair and if they fit the crime or not. We then imagined that we were King or Queen for the day and wrote our own set of rules for our subjects to follow. We discussed why we have rules in society and the types of categories we need rules for. Finally, we have composed and performed our own chants and songs to help us remember the key facts we have learnt throughout the topic. I think it is fair to say that Year 5 have LOVED this topic - well done for all of your enthusiasm and the knowledge you have learnt.





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Fond farewell

Unfortunately, we are saying goodbye to two valued members of staff at the end of this term; Miss Dimmock (Teaching Assistant) is going off to focus on her studies to become an amazing Teacher! Miss Smith (Game On) is changing her career slightly to be a Sports Therapist. Thank you both for your amazing support and we hope you pop back to see us in the future.

We are currently advertising and interviewing and will announce their replacements in the new term.

Lunch & snack

Can we remind you that we are a **NUT FREE** school. Please ensure that no snacks or packed lunches contain nuts. We have children in school with severe nut allergies.

If your child brings grapes into school as part of their lunch or at snack time, these need to be cut up length ways **ONLY**. This is a safety measure to prevent children from choking on them.

It has also been noticed that some unhealthy items such as crisps and chocolate have been included in children's lunchboxes. Please consider including just one treat item.

At RFPS we teach and encourage healthy eating and hope that parents support us in this. We do not want to ban certain food items as we believe in parental choice, however, please be aware of the effect that sugar highs and lows have on concentration, learning and behaviour.

Morning snack should be fruit or vegetables only.

Certificates of Achievement:

Reception:

Lowri & Coen
Lucas & Roop
Alfie & Prisha

Year One:

Seth & Sophie
Freddie & Vivaan
Keira & Oscar N

Year Two:

Francesca & Evie
Archie & Tianna
Calleigh & Sarrinah

Year Three:

Finli & Connor
Riley A & Emilia
Dylan M & Charan

Year Four:

Henry & Amber
Katie & Sienna
Olivia & Lily A

Year Five:

Jessica & Erin M
Darshan & Esha
Oumou & Alex

Well done to everyone who achieved certificates this week.

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TRAINING THROUGH THEATRE

APPS AND THEIR AGE RATINGS

13+		16+	
Facebook	Snapchat	WhatsApp	
Instagram	Twitter	17+	18+
TikTok	Kik	Sarahah	MeetMe
NOW	Yubo	YOLO	LiveMe
House Party	Monkey		

World Book Day!



We have decided to have a delayed World Book Day (where the children dress up in their favourite book character costume and we celebrate how amazing books are!) as so many parents and children have asked for this! It will be on **23rd April**. It also happens to be World Book Night and Shakespeare's birthday so we thought it was very fitting! We can't wait to see all of the children's and staff's fabulous costumes! Remember that some costumes can be really easy and homemade e.g. cat or a child from a book etc!

Family Support

Message from Mrs Vural, Family and Children Support Worker:

Both in my role at the school, and also as a parent of two young children, I have noticed that many children have been experiencing some feelings of anxiety recently. This is of course as a result of the unprecedented year we have had and the uncertainty that children have had to face around their day to day routines, school life and social life. Often to try and comfort them we say "don't worry" or "it will be okay" but what a child really needs is someone to listen to them. Next time your child is feeling anxious try saying...

"I am listening, so tell me all about your worries"

If you have any issues or concerns you would like support with please get in touch either via the main school office or email me at clair.vural@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk



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Rugby Foodbank Reminder

Over the past year, the RFPS school community have collected huge amounts of food and groceries to donate to Rugby Food Bank. We have even been thanked on their website for our efforts. In the lead up to the Easter holidays, we will be collecting again. Boxes for donations will be placed under the bike shelter from **Thursday 25th March to Wednesday 31st March**. Items that the centre is currently running low on are: tea, tinned carrots and hot chocolate, though any donations would be very gratefully received. Many thanks to Richard Walker for organising the collections and to the whole school community for supporting those who need it in these difficult times.



Friends of Rugby Free Primary

Friends of Rugby Free Primary are looking for volunteers to help us. Our current Chair is stepping down at the end of the Summer Term and we are looking for a new lead or group of leads to help spread the workload. If you think you would like to be part of Friends of Rugby Free Primary please do get in touch via frfps@mail.com or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/friendsrugbyfreeprimary>.

Below are details of our Easter Welly Walk. The sponsorship form was attached with the newsletter dated 12th March.

FRIENDS OF RUGBY FREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

EASTER WELLY WALK

Get out and about and walk 1 mile with your family during the Easter break to raise money for

Friends of Rugby Free Primary School

We would like you to raise £5.00 or more.

When the form and money are returned to school by the closing date of 23rd April each child who takes part will receive an Easter Egg.

All money raised goes directly back into school to pay for things like the playground marking etc.

Easter egg competition

Details of our Decorate an Easter egg competition have been sent home this week:

Decorate an Easter Egg competition



Children are invited to enter our Easter competition to show their creativity by decorating a hard-boiled/foam egg for Easter.

You could create a character or a scene



Entry rules!

- Entries should be brought to school on **Wednesday 31st March**
- There will be 1 winner per year group
 - Design must be with one egg only
- Design must be no bigger than 15cm x 15cm
 - The egg must be the main focus!

We are so eggccited to see your eggcellent designs!



Diary Dates

- 30th and 31st March** – Online Parents evening
- 31st March** – Bring in your Decorate an Easter Egg entries
- 1st April** – Last day of the Spring term
- 2nd April** – Start of the Easter Holidays
- 19th April** – Children return to school for the start of the Summer Term
- 23rd April** – Deadline for the FRFPS Wellie Walk money/form
- 23rd April** – Rearranged **World Book Day** on World Book Night & Shakespeare's birthday – **Dress up as your favourite book character.**
- 7th June** – No longer a Teacher Training Day (if you have a pre-booked holiday, please let us know and on this occasion, we will authorise this day.)
- 11th June** – School photos – Individual and siblings

Monthly Competition

Photography

This month's competition ends on **30th March 2021**. Please email your entry to Mrs Odwell – eleanor.odwell@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk by 5pm with your child's name in the email. We can't wait to see all of the different, creative and inspiring photographs.

March's theme is: **Spring time**