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Year 5 London Trip

Year 5 took a trip to the capital last week and had the most amazing time. They had an incredibly early start; however, it was worth it because we made it all the way to London. Firstly, the children had a tour around the National Gallery looking at some of the myths and legends paintings. The children could not believe how many stories could be told from just one painting! Next, they walked past Downing Street, the Cenotaph, Big Ben and Westminster so that the children could do their next activity - the London Eye! They were all very excited to see the panoramic views of the city and also spot many of London's landmarks. After that, the children took to the River Thames on a boat and learnt even more. Before heading home, everyone enjoyed pizza, pasta and ice cream. Year 5's behaviour was impeccable, and it was commented on by several members of the public. Well done Year 5, we are all very proud of you.



Remembrance Day – Monday 13th November 2023

Rugby Free Primary School held a two-minute silence to remember soldiers who have died in wars. We thanked them for sacrificing their lives to protect our country. The whole school gathered on the playground and held the silence. We have also put up a display within school to recognise all those who lost their lives in war.



Stars of the Week

Reception

Giraffes:

Dhruv

Zebras:

Adaline

Year One

Hedgehogs

Nova & Hubert

Rabbits:

Thulasi

Year Two

Orcas:

Jamie

Penguins:

Dhyana

Seals:

Ellen

Year Three

Crocodiles:

William

Kangaroos:

Freya

Turtles:

Ivy

Year Four

Bears:

Ivy

Eagles:

Jacob

Raccoons:

Zachary

Year Five

Pandas

Indira

Tigers

Milan & Lalita

Year Six

Jaguars:

Lucas E

Panthers:

Ophelia

Head Teacher's Award

Erin H – Yr 4

Vivaan G – Yr 4

Year 6 Maths – Rugby Free Secondary School

Year 6 had a special visitor from Rugby Free Secondary School to give the children a taster of Year 7 Maths.



The children had a brilliant time recapping previous knowledge and building on this through different activities. They then had an opportunity to ask questions all about secondary school - this proved very useful!

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 or baby tomatoes** 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.



Diwali Day

On Friday, Year 3 celebrated their Diwali day. To begin with we made Rangoli patterns with rice we had coloured. Then we learnt about different Hindu temples around the world and completed a scavenger hunt to find further information about temples around the classrooms and school. In the afternoon, Mrs



Sareen came to tell us about how she celebrates Diwali. Finally, we were lucky to be given some Diwali treats and use some sparklers to remind us that Diwali is the festival of light. Thank you to all the adults who helped out with our day!



Road Safety Visit

This week, Reception have taken part in a Road safety workshop run by the Warwickshire Road Safety team. In it, they learned about how to stay safe when walking near and crossing roads. We learned to always walk, think, stop, look, listen and hold hands. They then used these skills to keep safe when taking part in our Autumn walk around Coton Park, and we are so proud of how they put it into practice. Whilst on our walk we spotted many signs of Autumn, including berries of different colours, acorns, and some beautiful red, orange and yellow leaves, and were really excited to see a tractor and an Amazon lorry. Our favourite part however, was when the fire engine honked its horn at us!





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Friends of Rugby Free Primary School (PTA)

Diary Dates

Christmas Fayre - Saturday 25th November 11-2pm

Come along with family and friends for Christmas fun, we have games - with lots of prizes to be won!

Stalls, food and a raffle, free selfie booth! -PLEASE BRING CASH!!!

We will also have 'Elfridges' a pocket money gift shop so children can buy gifts for parents/carers etc should they wish. We are really looking forward to seeing you there!

Tickets to see Santa have sold out!!! We have added a few extra tickets, but spaces are limited!

Use the booking link below to get your tickets. <https://buytickets.at/friendsofrugbyfreeprimaryschool>

Wreath Making workshop - Monday 27th November 7pm

At a great price of £25 get your ticket from the school office, for a wonderful evening getting into the Christmas spirit. Light refreshments and hot drinks will be provided as will all items needed to make your wreath. You are welcome to bring some baubles or anything else you wish to add to your creation and also a bottle of fizz should you wish!

Coffee morning - Thursday 14th December

Come along for a coffee and chat. Some toys will be available for any little ones too. We look forward to seeing you.

Follow us on Instagram and FB too, search - friendsrfps Our old FB page will be closed at the start of the new year.

Have a lovely weekend ☺



Diary Dates (please check these every week as they are subject to change!)

23rd Nov – Nasal Flu vaccinations

24th Nov – Y3 Compton Verney Trip

25th Nov – Friends of RFPS Christmas Fayre 11am-2pm

5th Dec – Y1 Play - Performance to parents 9.30am

6th Dec – Y1 Play - Performance to parents 2.00pm

6th Dec – RFSS Digital Detox workshop with Y6 – 1.30pm

7th Dec – Y2 Rugby Art Gallery & Museum trip

8th Dec – Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas lunch

12th Dec – Rec Play performance to parents 9.30am

13th Dec – Rec Play performance to parents 2.00pm

15th Dec – Christmas Art Inspire workshop 9am-10.30am – parents/carers join us for some Christmas crafting (one adult per child please)

18th Dec – Reception visit from Rev Pete - The Christmas story

19th Dec – Reception & Y1 trip to The Gruffalo at Warwick Arts

21st Dec – End of Autumn Term

22nd December – Teacher Training day

25th December – 5th January – Christmas holiday

8th January 2024 – Teacher Training day

9th January 2024 – Children return to school - Spring Term begins

Allsorts Magazine

Here is the link to the digital version of Allsorts



Nov/Jan magazine

https://bit.ly/ALLSORTS_NOVJAN23 - you can tap straight to advertisers' websites too when viewing the mag on your phone (please mention allsorts). There are lots of attraction to visit and services to help your family. You can view this issue at www.allsortsmag.com too or on the allsorts Facebook page soon. Take care - Michelle Love (Editor).

Game On Christmas Camp

A reminder that Game On are operating a Christmas Camp holiday club at RFPS from Tuesday 2nd January to Friday



5th January. To book your dates, please liaise with Mr Sheehan directly - his contact details are on the booking form which was sent out via MCAS earlier this week.



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**Safeguarding
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Safeguarding

If you are concerned that a child appears unhappy or is being abused act now using the contact numbers provided below. Contact the **Warwickshire's Children and Families Front Door** on **01926 414144**. Lines are open Monday to Thursday 8am-5.30pm, Friday 8.30am- 5.00pm.

If you need to get in touch out of usual office hours, please contact the Emergency Duty Team immediately on **01926 886922**.

If you think that a child is at immediate risk, contact the police immediately by dialling **999**.

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding our children is everyone's responsibility

If worried about any child being a victim of neglect, abuse or cruelty whilst at RFPS, you must tell Miss Butters or, in her absence, one of her safeguarding team.



Miss Butters
Designated Senior Lead



Mrs Colledge
Designated Senior Leader



Miss Finch
Designated Senior Leader



Mrs Vural
Designated Senior Leader

Jennifer Beadle

Trustee for Child Protection & Safeguarding

If you consider a child is in immediate danger phone the Police on 999 or phone children's services on 01926 414144 or out of hours on 01926 886922.

What will happen if I report child abuse?

Childcare agencies believe that children are best cared for by their parents. Children are rarely removed from their parents and most families are given help and support. Social Workers can only remove children from home with a court order and only after they have demonstrated that the child is at serious risk.

If you would like to speak to someone in school about your concerns the above members of staff are Designated Safeguarding Leads and will be happy to listen to your concerns and take the appropriate steps to safeguard a child.

**Monday
27th November
2023
@ 7pm**

**Christmas Wreath
Making Workshop**

£25 per person (Cash ONLY)
First come, first serve.

**To Pay for tickets, please go to the Main
Reception desk At RFPS before the 13th
November.**

Friends of Rugby Free Primary School

Christmas Fayre
11-2
SATURDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

Games - Shopping - Food - Grotto

THIS WAY