



# Rugby Free

Primary School



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## Message from our Head Teacher

I would like to wish all of our pupils, families and staff members a very happy Easter and (hopefully) a fab spring break. I hope you all manage to get some quality family time in and that the sun comes out for us!

We have had a super spring term at RFPS, full of learning opportunities. The children are all so engaged and focused in their lessons, it's a joy to see and be a part of!

Yesterday (Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>), we had a whole day of interviews for our Assistant Headteacher roles. The candidates were put through their paces (particularly by our Pupil Parliament!) and we were very pleased with the outcome of these interviews. We can't share with you yet who has been successful as contracts have to be signed etc but both candidates were delighted and will be great assets to our school.

Today we said goodbye to Mrs Sharp and Miss Preston and we wish them both lots of happiness in their new schools and thank them for all they have done for RFPS.

Have a lovely Easter

Miss Butters



## Stars of the Week

### Reception

#### Giraffes:

Miller

#### Lions:

Leo

#### Zebras:

Oliver I

### Year One

#### Hedgehogs:

Zachary

#### Owls:

Miray

#### Rabbits:

Tessa S

### Year Two

#### Orcas:

Mya

#### Penguins:

Nicholas

#### Seals:

Esme

### Year Three

#### Crocodiles:

Jessyka

#### Kangaroos:

Isabelle

#### Turtles:

Eve

### Year Four

#### Bears:

Lena

#### Eagles:

Edward

#### Raccoons:

All Class

### Year Five

#### Pandas:

Oscar

#### Tigers:

Dexter

### Year Six

#### Jaguars:

Precious & Mrs

Davison

#### Panthers:

Chinalu

## Y4 Performance

Our incredible Year 4s have worked their socks off this half term to learn lines, practise singing songs and rehearse for their fabulous play production, 'Hoodwinked'. We are so proud of their hard work and enthusiasm for their play. They put on a wonderful show for the whole school, parents and carers and we are sure everyone would agree that they were truly phenomenal!

Well done Year 4!



## The Great Fire of London

This week, Year 1 have finished off their learning about the Great Fire of London by seeing for ourselves how quickly a fire can spread. We used our learning from our firefighter visit last week to make sure that everyone was safe and then the adults carefully set fire to the model houses we'd made. It took a while because of the strong wind, but, once the fire started, it was easy to see how quickly the fire could have spread down the street in 1666. What an exciting and memorable way to finish off our History learning for this term!



## Uniform

We are seeing an increasing number of pupils without the correct uniform on. Visitors often comment on how smart our children look and how well they represent their school because of this. Please help us by sending the children in the correct uniform. This includes:

- Black school shoes only as footwear and (not trainers).
- Ties worn every day
- For PE, PLAIN black or navy tracksuits with a white polo-shirt (not a t-shirt). They should not have any logos on them.

Summer uniform (grey shorts and short sleeved shirt or red and white dresses) can be worn after Easter if you wish.



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## Easter Egg Competition Winners

Reception Winner: Sneha    Runner up: Sofia  
 Y1 Winner: Lowri    Runner up: Roop  
 Y2 Winner: Arlo    Runner up: Oscar W  
 Y3 Winner: William    Runner up: Sienna  
 Y4 Winner: Megan    Runner up: Cameron  
 Y5 Winner: Bonnie    Runner up: Isla  
 Y6 Winner: Jessica    Runner up: Samuel

**Special thanks to the Friends of RFPS (your PTA) for their kind donations of the winners prizes!**



## Sports at RFPS

### Football

RFPS got back to winning ways this week against Northlands Primary School. In wet conditions, we went behind to a long range effort. We had lots of chances to take the lead but an excellent goalkeeping display from the home 'keeper kept the score at 1-0 going in to half time. The second half was a different story and we dug in to score 3 goals. They were scored by Jack (x2) and Kane. The result of the game was 3-1. *Match report written by Captain Jashith.*

## Roman Soldier In Y3

This week year 3 had a special visit from a Roman soldier. They asked Rufus lots of questions and found out all about life as a Roman soldier. They learnt about a day in the life of a Roman soldier which included that they ate mice and salty porridge!



## Achievements

This week we have another fantastic line up of achievements:

Alexander in Y1 achieved his music badge at Beavers this week. Fantastic Alexander!



Romillie in Y2 played her first football match at the weekend, she managed to score her first two goals and was awarded player of the match! It was even more exciting to be playing against her friend Erin in Year 2, who also played brilliantly, scoring a fab hat-trick for her team! Both girls did fantastic and showed good sportsmanship!

Ruben in Y3 has passed his Grade 3 piano exam as one of the youngest to achieve this grade just after turning 8 in March. We are so proud of him and his hard work practicing daily.



Joshua in Y5 achieved his Stage 3 at gymnastics which is fantastic!

Please let us know if your child has achieved something special outside of school and you would like it mentioned in the next newsletter!



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## Do you need help to access food and manage your money?

[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/facinghardship](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/facinghardship)

### Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme

The Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme helps the most vulnerable residents at times of unavoidable crisis when they have no other means of help.

It also administers the Household Support Fund, which provides one-off financial support for people in need as the country continues its recovery from the pandemic. It can help families with children, other vulnerable households and individuals facing hardship this winter, to ensure that they have the support they need to afford food, energy, water bills and associated costs. To enquire or apply call the Local Welfare Scheme.



Visit: [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme)  
Call: 0800 400 1448 or 01926 359182

## Message Mrs Vural, Family and Children Support Worker:

We are hearing a lot about the rising cost of living and for some of our families this will be extremely concerning. Whilst you may be worrying about how this will affect your family, I wanted to reassure you that there is support available. Below is some information on where you can access that support. Please take a look and don't hesitate to reach out if you are struggling. If you need any further support or would just like to chat through any concerns, I can be contacted either via the main school office or email me at [clair.vural@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk](mailto:clair.vural@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk)

### Debt and benefits

Citizens Advice provides free, confidential, impartial and independent advice on a range of subjects, including benefits, debt, money management, consumer rights, employment and more.

Call 0800 144 8848 or visit the website for your area: Bedworth, Rugby and Nuneaton: [www.brancab.org.uk](http://www.brancab.org.uk)

North Warwickshire: [www.nwcaab.org.uk](http://www.nwcaab.org.uk)

South Warwickshire: [www.sasouthwarwickshire.org.uk](http://www.sasouthwarwickshire.org.uk)

For more information on debt advice, Universal Credit and help with household bills, visit [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/benefitsandwelfare](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/benefitsandwelfare)



### Housing advice and support

Contact your local district or borough council:

North Warwickshire Borough Council

[www.northwarks.gov.uk](http://www.northwarks.gov.uk) Tel: 01827 715341

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council

[www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk](http://www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk) Tel: 02476 376376

Rugby Borough Council [www.rugby.gov.uk](http://www.rugby.gov.uk) Tel: 01788 535533

Stratford-on-Avon District Council [www.stratford.gov.uk](http://www.stratford.gov.uk)

Tel: 01789 267575.

Warwick District Council [www.warwickdc.gov.uk](http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk)

Tel: 01926 466129



## Help with household costs

If you are struggling to pay bills or manage energy debt, call the Act On Energy helpline on 0800 988 2881 or visit [www.actonenergy.org.uk](http://www.actonenergy.org.uk) for advice.

Other support is available from:

- Affordable Warmth Grants [www.affordablewarmthgrants.co.uk](http://www.affordablewarmthgrants.co.uk)
- British Gas Energy Trust [www.britishgasenergytrust.org.uk](http://www.britishgasenergytrust.org.uk)
- Council Tax Benefit [www.gov.uk/council-tax-benefit](http://www.gov.uk/council-tax-benefit)
- Housing benefit [www.gov.uk/housing-benefit](http://www.gov.uk/housing-benefit)
- Warm Home Discount Scheme [www.gov.uk/warm-home-discount-scheme](http://www.gov.uk/warm-home-discount-scheme)



## Food supply help and advice

For a range of food solutions for people who may be isolated, vulnerable or in financial crisis visit [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodsupport](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodsupport)

### Foodbanks in Warwickshire

Food support if you are in financial difficulty. If you need a food parcel because you're unable to afford food, contact your local food bank. Find details at [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodbanks](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodbanks)

### Free school meals

Low-income families whose children are eligible for free school meals will be offered meals for those children by their schools, during term time. Apply at [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

## Friends of Rugby Free Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone that has signed up to complete our Easter Walk!!!

All entry forms for the Easter Walk have been handed out to the children and should have made their way home to you this week 🍷🍷🍷 If, for some reason your child did not receive theirs, please contact us on our FB page or by email.

Remember that the walk around the Coton Park estate can be done at any time and at leisure during the Easter holidays. Maybe take a picnic along and enjoy some time on one of the parks in the area too 🍷🍷🍷

Here is another photo of one of the decorated windows. How fantastic and Eastery! Look out for 15 in total!!! It would be amazing to see photos of the walks that you do, so please send them in 😊😊😊



### Next Meeting

Our next PTA meeting will be at **7:30pm on Tuesday 5th May at Brewers Fayre**. Please come along if you'd like to take part and help us make these events brilliant for the children 🍷🍷 All ideas and contributions are very welcome.

To keep more up to date with the Friends of Rugby Free Primary School please join our Facebook page. We regularly update it with news on our events and activities. Especially the dates to remember. If you wish to make a contribution or donation to the PTA or help in any way, please email [frrfps@gmail.com](mailto:frrfps@gmail.com)

We would like to thank you all for your continued support and we wish you all a Happy Easter 🍷🍷





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## **Diary Dates**

### **8<sup>th</sup> Apr – End of the Spring term**

**11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Apr** – 1<sup>st</sup> week of Game On holiday club

**19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr** – 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Game On holiday club

### **25<sup>th</sup> Apr – Start of the Summer term**

**27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> Apr** – Y4 Residential – Norfolk

**5<sup>th</sup> May** – Inspire Workshop Reception 9am – 10am (Parents come and learn with their child!)

**5<sup>th</sup> May** – 7.30pm PTA Meeting at Brewers Fayre

**W/C 9<sup>th</sup> May** – Y6 SATS

**18<sup>th</sup> May** - Y5 Assembly to parents at 9.00am

**24<sup>th</sup> May** - E-safety Meeting 6.30pm

**20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Jun** – Y6 Residential - Derbyshire

**12<sup>th</sup> July** - E-safety Meeting 6.30pm

## **Game On Easter Holiday Club**

Game On will be operating a holiday club from next week for the Easter Holidays at RFPS from 11<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> April (not including Good Friday & Easter Monday) A booking form is attached with Newsletter 23 (sent on 11<sup>th</sup> March).

**To book your dates, please liaise with Mr Sheehan directly – [brandon@gameoncoaching.co.uk](mailto:brandon@gameoncoaching.co.uk)**





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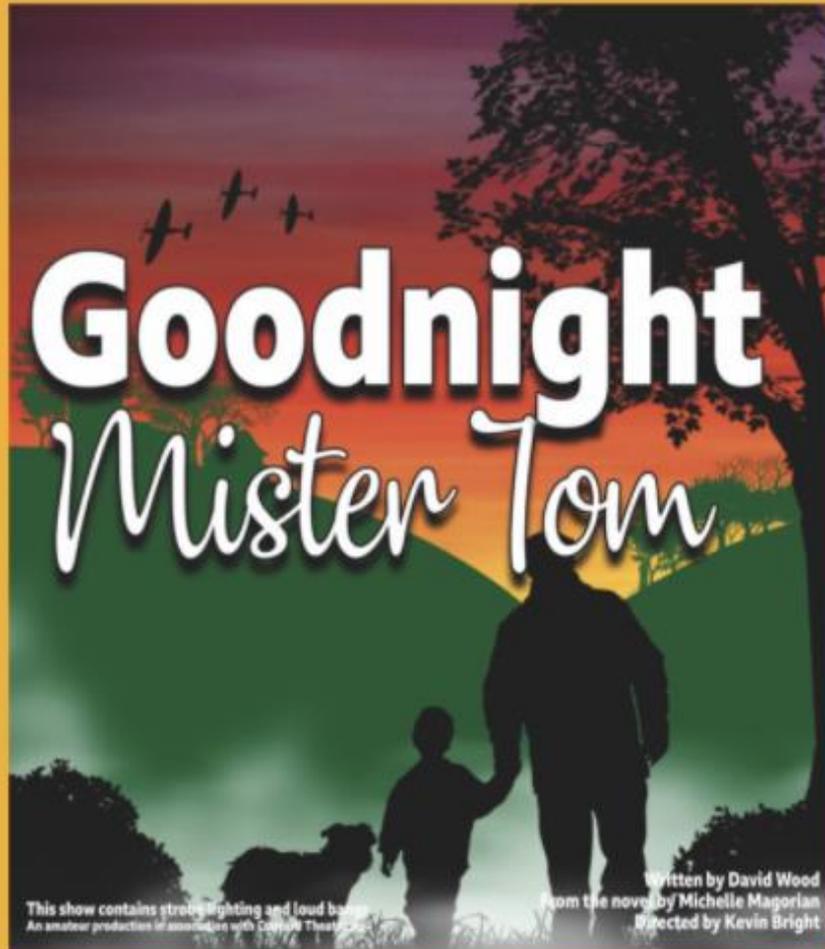
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This show contains strobe lighting and loud bangs  
An amateur production in association with Rugby Theatre

Written by David Wood  
From the novel by Michelle Magorian  
Directed by Kevin Bright

8 - 16 April, 7.30pm

Matinées, 9, 10 & 16 April, 3pm

Tickets: £15 *Concessions available*

Book online  
[rugbytheatre.co.uk](http://rugbytheatre.co.uk)

Box office  
01788 541234

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