



Rugby Free

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Black History Month

Throughout October Rugby Free have been celebrating Black History Month. Year 2 studied Alice's Ball, linked to their topic 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures'. They created pieces of art



using pipettes and wrote some facts about her significance.



Year 4 have studied the Windrush generation. They began by studying significant African Caribbean figures who were present in Britain before the 1940s and then wrote diary entries in the role of a person who came across on Empire Windrush.

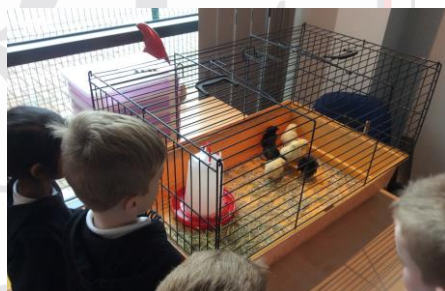


Baby Chicks in Year 1

After a very long 21 days, Year 1 were incredibly excited to meet their 7 tiny chicks who hatched over the weekend!

We are so impressed with the knowledge the children have retained about these chicks and their lifecycle.

The chicks have now moved to their forever home!



SBOOKtacular

A reminder that next Thursday, we will be celebrating National Storytelling Day.

You can come to school in your favourite, spooky fancy dress costume (or other fancy dress costume if you wish) – you might even want to come dressed as a character from your favourite scary story!

Each year group will focus on a different **SPOOKTACULAR** story for their learning that day.

We would like to ask for a £1 voluntary contribution, which will be used to buy books for your class libraries – your child will even get to choose these with their teacher! We can't WAIT for the fun to begin!



Charity events

Just prior to lockdown the children took part in events in support of Sport Relief and Down's Syndrome Association. These events managed to raise **£872.54** for Sport Relief and **£63.65** for Dress up for Downs. Well done everyone, these charities will really benefit from these funds.

No Dogs Policy

Recently we have noticed an increase in the number of dogs around the school, particularly at drop off and pick up times. Unfortunately, this is causing a hazard for children and families. We will now be operating a strict **NO DOGS** policy on the school site and adjacent paths on Bailey Rd (this is a private road owned between RFPS and Airwaves). This includes dogs on or off the lead or being carried. Our Health and Safety Policy is being updated to reflect this.

While we understand that this is an opportunity to walk your dog we need to consider our whole school community. Several children are scared of dogs and have been upset by them being close by. In addition to this, with having to keep distanced from each other due to Covid19, avoiding dogs, is harder than ever when on the paths. Thank you for your understanding.

Stars of the Week



Reception

Giraffes:

Penelope

Lions:

Leah

Zebras:

Cassius

Year One:

Hedgehogs:

Sophie

Owls:

Julia

Rabbits:

Harman

Year Two:

Orcas:

Saanvi

Penguins:

Harry

Seals:

James

Year Three:

Crocodiles:

Lucas

Kangaroos:

John M

Turtles:

Ellen

Year Four:

Bears:

Louie

Eagles:

Jack

Raccoons:

Oliver L

Year Five:

Elephants:

Minal

Pandas:

Chloe

Tigers:

Saffron



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The Big Curry night orders need to be placed by 4pm on Tuesday Tel: 01926 493030 they are open between 9am and 4pm Monday to Friday. Remember to quote **Rugby Free Primary School**. See the poster below for more details of how to order and the options available.

Please also take a look at our Facebook page 'Friends of Rugby Free Primary' as we have an exciting Christmas event being launched over the next couple of weeks.

We thank you for your continued support and if you would like to join our committee please do contact us via e-mail, through our Facebook page or pass your details through the school office and someone from the PTA will be in touch.

Reading at home

As a school, RFPS are passionate about instilling a love of reading into every pupil. Our children currently bring home a colour-coded book suitable for their level of reading and a free choice book from their class library. After October half term, children learning phonics will also bring home a Read Write Inc. book in order to practice the sounds they have been learning in school.

Studies have shown that children who read for pleasure regularly not only have improved comprehension skills but they are able to develop a broader vocabulary to use when speaking, reading and writing. Reading for pleasure has also been linked to improving wellbeing and mental health. **Reception children will start to have a reading book and a reading journal after half term.**

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Rainbow Reading Challenge

Because we see reading as such an important life skill, we celebrate all home reading with our "Rainbow Reading" reward system.

Children are awarded a certificate when they reach a set goal during our celebration assemblies. These certificates are issued when they reach 25, 50, 75, 100, 150 and 200 days of reading at home. Every time a child earns a certificate, their name will be placed into a prize draw which will take place at the end of the year. The winner will receive a book voucher.

In order for your child to be rewarded with their certificates, all we ask is for an adult to sign your child's reading diary to show when they have read at home. We acknowledge that some children are avid readers and will read several times a day so we only require one signature per day as we don't want to make this an onerous task. In addition to the reading books issued from school, we would also encourage children to read different books, magazines, instructions, leaflets or even audio books and these will be counted also.

Reading diaries will be checked on a weekly basis and signatures from the beginning of September will be counted. As always, we would like to thank you for your continued support!



Certificates of Achievement Certificates:

Reception

Lucas & Hattie
Penny & Archer
Alfie & Tessa D

Year One:

Nurun & Amelia
Amber & Mazie
Keira & George

Year Two:

Evie & Jaime
Nikola & Roman
Calleigh & Khadeejah

Year Three:

Evie & Chinedum
Lydia & Zachary
Harvey & Megan

Year Four:

Autumn & Harleen
Oscar & Molly
Harry W & Clelia

Year Five:

Dhanya & Katy B
Nithila & Ivy
Kai & Ege

Pupil Parliament

A reminder that the deadline for posters to your teacher is Mon, 19th Oct

Would you like to make our school even better?

If you think you can help, please apply to be a member of the pupil parliament!

Could you help Miss Butters make important decisions?



Each class will have one member of parliament!

To apply, create a poster telling your class why you would be great at this role. Elections will be held week beginning 19th October!

For more information please contact Mrs Swain.



Diary Dates

20th and 21st Oct – Parents evening via telephone appointments

22nd Oct – **SBooktacular** - fancy dress

26th – 30th Oct – **Half Term**

1st – 7th Nov – UK Parliament week

4th & 6th Nov – Y4 Lunt Fort Visit

13th Nov – Children in Need (non uniform)

16th – 20th Nov – Anti-bullying week

10th Dec – Flu vaccinations

11th Dec – Christmas Jumper and Dinner

21st Dec – 1st Jan – **Christmas Holiday**

4th Jan – **Teacher Training day**

5th Jan – Children return to school



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Join Our Big Curry Night In

For Rugby Free Primary School
Thursday 22nd October

We've teamed up with the exquisite Taste Events to offer a tantalising selection of curries, side dishes & desserts.
Delivery straight to your door - free of charge!

A percentage of every meal is donated to Friends of Rugby Free Primary School to support their fundraising efforts!

MAIN DISHES

Buttered Chicken Masala with Basmati Rice
Chicken Korma with Basmati Rice
Roasted Cauliflower & Sweet Potato Saagwala with Basmati Rice
Chicken Madras with Basmati Rice
Lamb Rogan Josh with Basmati Rice
Creamy Chicken, Smoked Bacon & Parmesan Penne Pasta
Char-grilled Mediterranean Vegetable & Tomato Penne Pasta

SIDE DISHES

Naan Bread
Poppadum's & Dips
Onion Bhaji & Samosa Combo
Garlic Bread
Cheesy Garlic Bread

DESSERTS

French Lemon Tart with Berries
Mango & Passion Fruit Cheesecake with Berries
Chocolate Fondant Pudding with Chocolate Sauce
Sticky Toffee Pudding with Vanilla Cream

HOW TO ORDER

SIMPLY CALL TASTE EVENTS BETWEEN 9AM AND 4PM
MONDAY TO FRIDAY TO PLACE YOUR ORDER:
CALL 01926 493030 & QUOTE 'RUGBY FREE PRIMARY SCHOOL'
ORDERS NEED TO BE PLACED BY 4PM TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER.

*Meals arrive chilled, pop in the oven for 20 minutes and.....enjoy

£10 PER
PERSON!
1 MAIN & 1 SIDE
*£5 FOR CHILD

ADD A
DESSERT
FOR £5!