



Rugby Free

Primary School

Newsletter 1

Friday 6th September

2024

Welcome back

Welcome back to all of our pupils and families to a brand-new academic year. This is actually the 10th year of RFPS's existence, and I have every faith that it is going to be a brilliant year! The children have come back into school with such a positive and enthusiastic attitude towards school life and their learning. It has been a pleasure to see their smiley, eager faces and hear them talk about their new year group with such excitement. We also welcome lots of new faces into Reception and a few throughout the school. We hope you will be very happy as RFPS!

We have lots planned for this school year and I am so grateful for our brilliant staff team for giving our children all of these opportunities.

If you have any suggestions or ways, you believe we could improve, we are always happy to hear these. Just contact us through the school office email address.

Thank you for your support, as always

Rebecca Butters

Headteacher

Stars of the Week

Reception

All of reception

Year One Hedgehogs:

Aria

Rabbits:

Matthias

Year Two

Seals:

Fareeha

Penguins:

Theo

Year Three

Crocodiles:

Keyansh

Turtles:

Sneha

Year Four

Bears:

Ava B

Eagles:

Caelan

Year Five

Pandas:

Nicholas

Tigers:

Oscar N

Year Six

Sloths:

Travis

Toucans:

Isla W-L

Headteacher's award

News from Reception

Congratulations to the new Reception children in Giraffe and Zebra class, who have started school this week. The children looked so smart and grown up in their uniform!



They have all had great fun exploring the indoor and outdoor classroom, getting to know their classmates and even going for a listening walk around to school where they found out where Miss Butters' office is! A huge well done to them, and to their families.

Snacks and Lunch boxes

Just a reminder that KS2 children should take their snack up to their classroom and not leave it in their lunchbox. Please can you support us by reminding your child of this and putting their snack pot in their bag not their lunchbox if possible. Snacks should also be healthy (fresh fruit, salad sticks or dried fruit. No nuts please as we are a nut free school. Thanks, KS2 team.



Tough Mudder Challenge

Alexander, Cohen and Arthur in year 4 are all taking part in Saturday's tough mudder at Ragley Hall to raise funds for MIND, a charity that provides life-changing support for those struggling with mental health issues. 🧑‍🦺 🧠

These young Mud Warriors are determined to make a difference and would love your support! Every donation, big or small, helps MIND continue their incredible work. The boys are very excited at the challenge ahead and we will let you know how they get on. Thank you for your generosity! Let's cheer these kids on as they run for such an important cause. #SupportMIND #MudWarriors #MentalHealthMatters #ToughMudder

Donate here:

Don't forget to donate here:

<https://mind.fundraising.toughmudder.co.uk/page/MudWarriors>





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Friends of Rugby Free Primary School (PTA)

We hope you have all had a wonderful Summer, we look forward to seeing you at our upcoming fundraising events. We are in the final stages of ensuring our card/contactless payment reader is available for our future events too!!! Please pop these dates in your diary -

27th September - Bags2school (drop off before 9am on the morning of 27th, in the main playground)

Our first easy fundraiser of the year! All we need is bags full of items for re-use. Men's, ladies & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts and accessories. (No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please).

All the bags will be weighed and we will be paid for the total weight collected, so the more we can gather the bigger benefit for our school.

27th September - Macmillan Coffee morning, 9-10am

We invite parents, carers, family members and friends to join us to support this amazing charity for cakes, biscuits, hot/cold drinks and free from/decaf options too. All donations will go to Macmillan if you can get and would like to donate please follow this link

- <https://www.justgiving.com/CM24023462> We will also have pre loved uniform available - these items range from 50p-£5 and this will be paid towards enriching the children's school environment.

Our next meeting - 30th September, 7:30pm @ Brewers Fayre in the conservatory. It would be lovely to see you there even if its just to see what we do, this also gives you an opportunity to provide ideas and help towards future events. Please also follow us on Facebook/Instagram by searching **friendsrfps** to keep up to date with our upcoming events. Have a lovely weekend



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

9th Sept – Staff training Day (school closed for children)

27th Sept – Macmillan Coffee Morning

27th Sept – Bags2School

23rd Sept – 27th Sept – Y6 Residential – Willersley Castle

25th Sept – Rec Early Reading meeting for parents – 5.30pm-6.15pm

14th Oct - School photos – individual & sibling

28th Oct – 1st Nov – Half term

8th November – Staff training Day (school closed for children)

7th Nov – Flu vaccination

Yellow Day

On Friday 20th September we are holding a Yellow Day to raise money for the Air Ambulance. Children can come to school wearing yellow for a small contribution (anything from 50p+). We will also be having an Air Ambulance assembly on that day.



Safeguarding

SAFEGUARDING
Safeguarding our children is everyone's responsibility

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

 Miss Butters Designated Senior Leader	 Mrs Virell Designated Senior Leader
 Mrs Colledge Designated Senior Leader	 Mrs Screen Designated Senior Leader
 Miss Finch Designated Senior Leader	 Miss Colcluff Designated Senior Leader

Jennifer Beattie
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.

If you are concerned that a child appears unhappy or is being abused act now using the contact numbers provided below or alternatively come in to school and ask to speak to a DSL.

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**.

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.

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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.

BAG 2 SCHOOL

FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit). The leaflet is FSC accredited, please recycle it.

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:



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01609 780 222

www.bag2school.com

helpdesk@bag2school.com

Macmillan Coffee Morning



27th September

9-10am

School Hall entrance

Join us for our free event to support an amazing charity - all donations will be sent to Macmillan



There will be toys for younger children and free from options too

