



Rugby Free

Primary School

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Friday 15th November
2024

Remembrance Day

Y1 - Y6 listened to an assembly by Miss Butters about Remembrance Day. They learnt about the significance of the date, why we wear poppies and what the Charity the Royal British Legion does. They watched a short film about parades, war memorials and how people remember. We think most importantly, we shared with the children how learning about the past hopefully helps us make better decisions in the future. At 11,0'clock, staff and pupils all held a 2 minute silence to pay our respect. The children were so respectful and there wasn't a sound to be heard. Well done RFPS, very proud of you.



Stars of the Week

Reception

Giraffes:
Chiekeziem &
Haleema

Zebras:
Jesse & Franciszek

Year One

Hedgehogs:

Jiyan

Rabbits:
Levi

Year Two

Seals:

Ralph

Penguins:
Ferenc

Year Three

Crocodiles:

Finnley

Turtles:
Anay

Year Four

Bears:

Izzy

Eagles:
Imogen

Year Five

All of Year Five (for your incredible behaviour on your trip)

Year Six

Sloths:

Tianna

Toucans
Francesca

HT Awards

Jeevun (Y5) -
Curiosity

Tessa S (Y5) -
Respect and Kindness



EYFS Remembrance



We introduced the word Solemn to the children this morning as part of the Early Morning emotional literacy task and talked about whether anyone had been to the parades yesterday. At snack time, we watch the CBeebies animation about Remembrance Day and discussed why people wear poppies

to remember those who fought for our freedom. In provision, we made poppy symbols using the loose parts. Some of us bought poppies from Mrs Odwell, and then we stood in a circle for our minute silence at 11am.





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Year 1 Autumn Walk

This week in Science Year 1 learnt that the weather starts to turn colder in Autumn. This is because our Earth sees less sunshine during the day. In Autumn, some of the trees' leaves turn orange, yellow or brown and fall to the ground. This is because the tree is preparing for winter. Animals in Autumn also start building dens so that they are ready for the winter months. We then went on a local 'Autumn Walk' to spot signs of Autumn and used a checklist to record these.



Diwali

On Monday, Year 3 celebrated Diwali afternoon. We learnt about how Diwali is celebrated, made rangoli patterns out of coloured rice and celebrated light with sparklers. We even had jewels to put on our heads! Thank you to the parents who donated items. We had an amazing time and learnt a lot!



Poem

A lovely poem by 2 of our Year 4 children.
Well done!

poem

Butterfly – Where are you?

Butterfly, Butterfly – Where are you?
I see you every day flying past my face.
I love you, you're so pretty
I lost my kitty.
Can you be my pet, I bet?
Yellow, pink, green and blue!
Where are you?

By Lottie and Harriet – Year 4

Year 5 Trip to London

Year 5 had the most amazing time yesterday on their trip to London. The children absolutely blew us away with how kind, respectful and supportive they were with each other and with all of the adults and public we encountered yesterday. We started our morning on the London eye and had the most spectacular views. After this, we had some lunch in the gardens and visiting a souvenir stall. Our afternoon consisted of a walk via Westminster bridge, a visit to the National Art Gallery where we saw Henri Rousseau's original artwork of "Surprised". We ended our day in Pizza Express with some yummy food. A huge thank you to all adults who supported Year 5 with our trip we really appreciated it!





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Theo and Max's Remembrance Day Cake Sale

Max and Theo raised £1198 for the RBL at their Remembrance Day cake sale. This was an amazing amount and demonstrates our school values of kindness and respect. Thanks goes to all the school community that came. There were lots of children and staff that came to support the boys.

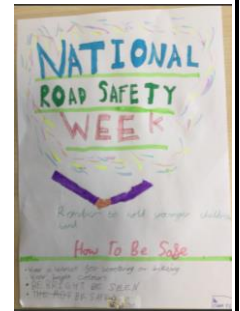


Safe and Active Schools

National Road Safety 18th-22nd November

Our JRSOs have been creating posters to remind our school

community on how to stay safe. Please use this week to recap the importance of road safety with your children to support the work we have been doing in school.



Staffing

You may have seen an advert out for a new administrator/receptionist. Our wonderful Miss Cox is unfortunately leaving RFPS at the end of November. She has gained a promotion to Business Manager at a local SEND school and we are really proud of her for this step up in her career. Miss Cox has been the friendly face of RFPS on the front desk for a few years now and I know she will be very much missed by children, staff, parents and visitors alike. If you pop in over the next couple of weeks, please do thank her for everything she has done for RFPS and wish her lots of luck in her new role. Thank you Miss Cox, we think you are incredible and are so grateful for your service. If you are interested in this role or know of someone who might be, please do take a look:

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/141936/EDV-2024-RFPS-98471>

Friends of Rugby Free Primary School (PTA)

We have a wonderful selection of hampers ready for next week's Christmas Fayre and a rainbow display of a tombola!!! Thank you.

Christmas Fayre Tokens

This year **all** school and friends of RFPS games/stalls will be tokens only to save on using cash floats. Each token will be worth 50p and will be sold in £5 bags. You are invited to buy them in advance of the fayre and they will be available on the day too. Please note to please also bring cash & card payments as external stall holders will not take the tokens, also our raffle will be cash only. *Tokens will be NON-TRANSFERABLE to another event so please ensure you use them to avoid losing them.* To purchase your tokens in advance. You are welcome to purchase more than one bag of tokens should you wish please pay £5/£10 accordingly. As reference please use your child's name with a number for their year, eg - Daphne Quill 3. = Payable to - Friends of Rugby Free Primary School.- Lloyds - acc 40818363. s/c 309950. **Tokens purchased in advance will be handed out at school on Thursday 21st before the fayre. Any purchased on or after that day will need to be collected at the token booth on the day of the fayre.**



Christmas Fayre and Grotto - Saturday 23rd November - 11-2pm - GROTTO SALES WILL CLOSE ON MONDAY 18TH

Bring family, friends and neighbours for some festive fun and shopping. We have a wonderful selection of over 25 stalls, for shopping, games and food being available. We are being joined by Stella interiors, Usborne Books, Honeybee Floral, On the deck pizzeria, Really Awesome coffee, Crafts by Cath, Paperkale studios, Bake and Chlo, polar pong, reindeer food, tombola, lucky dip, hook a gift, guess the name, decorate a bauble, a free selfie booth, free colouring and much more!!!! **We have limited grotto tickets available so please follow the link to book your time slot subject to availability. You will see Santa in small groups and have a chance to take your own photo before receiving a gift.** <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/friends-of-rugby-free-primary-school>



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Children in Need

It was lovely to see so many superheroes in school today. Thank you for everyone who donated to Children in Need, we raised a huge **£382.41** which is amazing.



Teddy Donations

Please can we ask for donations of teddies for our "Find a Friend Stall" at the Christmas Fayre which is being held next Saturday. Please can all teddies be brought into school on Monday and Tuesday of next week.



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

20th Nov – Rec & Y6 Heights & Weights and HNA

21st Nov – Y2 Rugby Art Gallery & Museum trip

21st Nov – Y3 Thinktank trip

23rd Nov – Friends of RFPS Christmas Fayre 11am-2pm

26th Nov – Friends of RFPS Wreath making workshop – 7pm

3rd Dec – Y1 Nativity performance for parents – 2pm

4th Dec – Y1 Nativity performance for parents – 9.30am

6th Dec – Festive Inspire workshop – 1.30pm – 3.00pm

13th Dec – Christmas lunch & Christmas jumper day

16th Dec – Rec Nativity performance for parents – 9.30am

17th Dec – Rec Nativity performance for parents – 2pm

18th Dec – Rec & Y1 Theatre trip

19th Dec – Y2 – Y6 – Cinema trip

23rd Dec – 3rd Jan – Christmas holiday

6th Jan – Staff training day (school closed to pupils)

15th Jan – Y4, 5 & 6 Young Voices

Game On Christmas Camp

Game On are operating a Christmas camp over the Christmas holidays at RFPS. The dates available are Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st December and Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd 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 this week.



Spring Term Clubs

Spring term clubs will be available to book via MCAS from 6pm on Wednesday 20th November.



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**JOHN SLINGER MP'S
CHRISTMAS CARD
COMPETITION**



Open to all primary school children in Rugby and the Villages

Please draw, paint or colour your design on an A4 sheet of paper but no glitter or stuck on pieces.

The competition closes 23rd November

Please return entries to John Slinger MP, Old School, Pennington Court, Rugby, CV21 2BB



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SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER
10AM - 2PM

NEWTON MEMORIAL HALL, RUGBY CV23 0DU

Design Our Christmas Window Display!

Do you know a young artist (up to age 14) with a love for all things festive? 🎄 This Christmas, they have a chance to make their holiday vision sparkle in our window display!

How It Works:
Get creative! Have your young designer sketch or paint their best Christmas window scene on an A4 landscape sheet. They can include their favourite festive elements, like Santa, Christmas trees, gifts, snowflakes, and anything else that makes Christmas magical for them!

Submit their masterpiece by emailing it to VIP@solutionservices.co.uk with the subject line: Window Display. Alternatively, drop it off at our office on Glebe Farm Road.

Remember to include:
Artist's name and age
Guardian's name and telephone number

Entries Open: 8th November and Close: Monday, 25th November

Our team can't wait to transform the winning design into a dazzling holiday display for everyone to enjoy! 🎄

Below is an image of one of our previous Christmas windows for your reference.





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