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Dogs Trust visit

On Wednesday, Sarah - a volunteer and her adorable toy dogs Sausage and Wilfred from the Dogs Trust came to visit Rugby Free Primary School to deliver an assembly on how we should all behave safely around dogs. Sarah also held some workshops for Years 1, 2 and 3. All of the children really enjoyed the assembly and learning how to be Dog Smart!



Stars of the Week

There will be no stars of the week this week, but we look forward to celebrating our stars next week!



Year 5 Bikeability

A group of Year 5 children have been taking part in the Bikeability (Cycling Proficiency) course this week, with another session scheduled for next week. They have had lots of fun while learning how to ride their bikes safely on public roads and bike lanes. We think this is a key skill and children will benefit greatly from this as they move on to secondary school and independent travel.





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Cross Stitch Club

Mrs Stuart, who runs our cross stitch club on a Wednesday after school, wanted to say how amazing KS2 had done in crossstitch club last half term. She is looking forward to creating Christmas crossstich pieces next half term. Here are some of the designs that have been made so far. We look forward to seeing all of the Christmas designs.



Item Swaps in School

We have noticed that we have an increasing amount of children bringing things into school to gift/trade/swap with their friends. Whilst we love the act of showcasing our KINDNESS value, this has led to some issues. Therefore, we would like to remind children and parents/carers that there should not be toys/cards etc... brought into school, even for breakfast/after-school club. The only time children should bring things into school is for a specific club (like Pokemon cards for Pokemon club.) However, no trading will be allowed during these clubs. Thank you for your support with this.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch orders can now be made via School Grid. Christmas Lunch will be served on Friday 13th December. All orders must be placed (and paid for year 3 to year 6) by Monday 2nd December. After this date no orders can be placed. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 need to have an order placed.

The menu is as follows:

Roast Turkey Christmas Lunch
Puff Pastry Christmas Cracker
Homemade Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Garden Peas, Brussel Sprouts, Gravy
Sticky Toffee Pudding & Custard
Reindeer Shortbread Biscuit
Fresh Fruit



Rugby MP Christmas Card Competition

Our Rugby MP has opened up his Christmas Card competition! If any children would like to enter, please create a picture as stated on poster below with the **child's name, age and school on the back**. You can either send it off directly to the MP or if you bring it to school by the 18th November, we will post it for you! We've had lots of winners previously, let's see if we can impress our new MP with RFPS's artistic pupils! Get creating! 🍪🌲🎅🌟👉



Theo and Max's Remembrance Day Cake Sale

It would be lovely if we could support Theo and Max as they are holding a Remembrance Day cake sale on Saturday 9th November from 10am – 12pm to raise money for the British Legion Poppy Appeal 2024. Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter for further details.



Safe and Active Schools

Our JRSOs have been busy creating posters for National Road Safety Week which begins on 18th November. Please use this opportunity to revisit road safety with your children at home.



Bella from Yr 5 wins poster competition for Warwickshire Fire Service

A huge well done to Bella in Y5 who was awarded a special mention for her outstanding poster about Bonfire Night. The Warwickshire Fire Services were amazed by the level of detail added and couldn't help but say a big well done! We would like to say a big thank you to all of the entries for the competition too.



Children in Need – Friday 15th November

Next week is Children in Need and our Pupil Parliament had a great first meeting to decide how to best raise money for this wonderful cause! We have decided to go with this year's theme of 'heroes' with the children invited to come in **non-uniform for a donation for Children in Need**. If children would like to, they are able to come dressed as a super-hero or a real-life hero. One member of pupil parliament even reminded us all that 'non-uniform is fine as we are all heroes'. We are looking forward to seeing who the children's heroes are and raising money for this great cause along the way!





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Friends of Rugby Free Primary School (PTA)

Thank you for all your wonderful rainbow donations supporting our Christmas Fayre. It was wonderful seeing lots of colour around school.

Christmas Fayre Tokens This year all school and Friends of RFPS 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

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, tombola, lucky dip, hook a gift 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>

Wreath Making - Tuesday 26th November - Tickets have now sold out.

Thank you to everyone who has brought tickets. Please have your ticket available for scanning on the night so we can sign you in. We look forward to sharing a wonderful festive evening with you. We hope you have a wonderful weekend.

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

- 11th – 13th Nov – Y5 Bikeability (Course 2)
- 12th Nov – E Safety session for parents 5.45pm for a 6pm start (Hall)
- 14th Nov – Y5 London trip
- 15th Nov – Y5 Bikeability (Course 2 final day)
- 15th Nov – Children in Need (non-uniform 'Heroes' – see above)
- 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 -TBC
- 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



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Theo & Max's
**REMEMBRANCE DAY
CAKE SALE & RAFFLE**

Raising funds for the British Legion Poppy Appeal 2024.
All donations will go to our Armed Forces community
whom make sacrifices every day on our behalf.

SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2024
45 LONG HASSOCKS
10AM - 12PM

Please come along and enjoy some cake
whilst the SaxMan plays some music for us to
enjoy.

Hot drinks provided by The Really Awesome
Coffee Company with proceeds also going to
the RBL.

Let's join together and
remember them.

RUGBY
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& Museum

**Festive
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at our **FREE** drop-in holiday workshops and our Lost
Decorations scavenger hunt!

**21st December to
4th January**

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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