

Rusper Primary School Newsletter 3.10.25

Amazon Wish List

Redwood Class – Thank you! From Mr Rogers

A huge THANK YOU to the wonderful mystery donor who treated Redwood to a brand new Thesaurus from our Amazon Wishlist! 📖

Your kindness will go such a long way – helping us boost Literacy learning across the school and giving our Year 6s a real helping hand with their SATs revision. We're so grateful for your generosity and for thinking of us. ❤️

If anyone else would like to support, our Wishlist is full of little things that make a *big* difference in the classroom. Every single gift means the world to us and to the children. From all of us in Redwood – THANK YOU!



Braiswick School Photographs

Don't forget to return your photograph to the school office if you'd like to order, or you can place your order online. The deadline is **Monday 6th October**. Please ensure any paper orders are returned with the correct payment in the envelope provided. Thank you for supporting this lovely keepsake opportunity!

Water Bottles in School

Reminder: Water Only in School Bottles

We kindly ask that all pupils bring **water only** to school each day. Juice and other sugary drinks are not permitted during school hours. Staying hydrated with water supports concentration and overall wellbeing. Pupils are welcome to use their **Air Up bottles** if this helps encourage water intake. Thank you for your support in promoting healthy habits across our school community.

Website Calendar

Don't forget to use this very useful tool. This will help you keep up to date with all that is happening in our busy school. To view the calendar you can use the QR code below.



Harvest Festival – Friday 10th October at 2.30pm

Don't forget....

Next Friday is our Harvest Festival. We would love you to join us at **Rusper Church** on **Friday 10th October at 2:30pm**. This year, our children have chosen to support **Horsham Matters**, a local charity that provides essential support to residents in need across the district, including help with food, household fuel, and furniture.

A list of suitable donation items is displayed on the board outside the school office. Your contributions will make a real difference to families in our community.

Rocketeers

We would love you to see Rocketeers in action and are offering free trials for Rusper families! Free afternoon sessions are available on the 15th and 22nd of October and free morning sessions are available on the 17th and 24th October. Spaces on these sessions are limited so please contact us by emailing enquiries@rocketeerschildcare.co.uk to book your space! If you would like further information about our services please visit www.rocketeerschildcare.co.uk or contact enquiries@rocketeerschildcare.co.uk if you have any further questions.

World Mental Health Day – Hello Yellow!

Thursday 9th October is World Mental Health Day. To show young people that they're not alone by standing brighter together we are taking part in Hello Yellow – they will wear their normal school uniform with a nod to yellow – e.g. hairband, homemade badge, sweatband or other small accessory. A small donation can be made on the day.

Blossom Class from Mrs Green

Another amazing week completed by the Blossoms class. This week in phonics, we have learnt the new sounds i, n, m and d. The children have enjoyed playing with ice, noodles, magnifying glasses, and a dinosaur land to help with the acquisition of the new sounds.

In maths, the children have been introduced to the new concept of comparing weight. They have loved being maths detectives and finding objects around the classroom to weigh on the balance scales.

The blossoms have been very eager to share their 'All about me' bags, and it's been wonderful listening to the children talk about their favourite toys, places, and people.

Lastly, I am glad to announce that we have been able to identify our little lizard-like friend as a Great Crested Newt! The children have officially named him 'Gekie'.



Blossom & Willow Class - Thank You! – from Mrs Jones EYFS & KSI Lead

A big thank you to all the families who have already sent in photos, memories and stories for our History project – it has been wonderful to see your childhood pictures and hear about family history. The children will be using these next week to create their 'Then and Now Scrapbooks', so if you haven't yet had a chance, please send in any photos or memories to cjones@rusper.w-sussex.sch.uk no later than **Monday 6th October**.

Doodle Learning: Kick-starting Progress in the new Academic Year! - From Mr Snook, Computing Lead

As we settle into the new school year, we are excited to re-engage with **DoodleLearning**, our powerful and personalised learning tool for Maths and English.

DoodleLearning is a fantastic, curriculum-aligned suite of apps designed to create a unique work programme for every child. Whether your child is working to catch up, stay on track, or progress ahead, Doodle ensures they're always practising at the perfect level to build confidence and boost their skills. Remember, using the app for just **10 minutes a day** is a proven way to significantly accelerate their rate of progress!

To ensure everyone has a fresh and easy start, **all children have been issued their new DoodleLearning login details this week**. Please check your child's school bag or reading diary for their unique username and password. We encourage you to download the apps (DoodleMaths, DoodleEnglish etc.) and help your child login to get their daily 'Doodle' streak started!

And finally... from Mr Rogers, RSE/PSHE Lead

October is Black History Month, and at Rusper we believe that Black history is not just for one month of the year – it should always be celebrated and included in our history learning. This month gives us a special chance to shine a light on inspirational people and their achievements. One such person is **Claudia Jones**, who is remembered for her important role in starting the Notting Hill Carnival in London. She wanted to bring people together to celebrate Caribbean culture, music and traditions, and today her idea has grown into one of the biggest street festivals in the world.

