

**PTA – FORPS NEEDS YOU!**

On Tuesday 24th September the Friends of Rusper Primary School (FORPS) will be holding our annual general meeting (in the village hall at 9:05 straight after drop-off). We will be welcoming everyone (new and not so new faces alike), setting fundraising goals and agreeing the activities we will be organising for the entire school year! If you are sociable and friendly, a born organiser or natural leader, or have another talent or skills that you would be willing to use to benefit the school community then please come along and say hello. Every year we lose members as children move on to secondary school, but over the last couple of years we have lost more than we have gained so why not help buck the trend by popping in and bringing a friend... All our communication is via Classlist so if you haven't joined already just click this link to do so <https://start.classlist.com/#/>. It is free, fully GDPR compliant and once approved you will have access 24/7 to all sorts of useful event and school community information. Nikki (Chair of FORPS, registered charity no. 1046735)

*Well hello, and welcome back. We trust you all had a lovely summer break and that your children are ready to meet the challenge of a new school year.*

*Over the summer, the front of the school had a refurb; Hobbit, Pegasus and the Hub have all had fresh paint and some new furniture. We are pleased with results so do step in and have a peek when you can. RPS would like to thank FORPS for their wonderful contributions to this - £3,600*

*The KS1 outdoor area is also having a 'make-over' with some new equipment, paintwork and a new shed.*

*We look forward to extending the 'freshening up' into our curriculum provision this year, with as many new and exciting opportunities as possible. We have taken note of the last questionnaire feedback, and will aim to improve school communication about all events and incentives in good time.*

*We look forward to another exciting year ahead working with children and parents in unison. Your support is crucial and your feedback is always welcome. Mr. A*

**Peripatetic Teaching 2019-20**

The following specialist provision will be available this year...

**'Get Into Music'** with Anna Ryder – 45mins every Thursday for Y1 and Y2

**'Forest Schools'** – 6 hrs for each child per year. This will begin with Y3 and Y4 pupils in the Autumn Term. (see separate letter)

**Spanish** with Mrs Klempa – 30 mins per week. Tuesday = Y3 and Y4  
Thursday = Y5 and Y6

**Coached PE** with coach Kim - 50 mins per week for each child.  
This term is Football for Unicorn & Pegasus.  
Netball for Hobbit.

Paid **Woodwind Lessons** with Mrs Grose – by parent request

Paid **Piano** with either Mrs McCorkell or Mrs Cobby – by parent request

Paid **Rocksteady** with Huw – by parent request

**Clubs**

Thank you to all who signed up online for a club session. The following clubs are running this term and all start the week of September 16<sup>th</sup>. Please follow this [link](#) if you would like to sign up – all clubs still have spaces...

Monday: KS2 football – Coach Kim  
Lego – Mrs Hodgson

Tuesday: KS2 Tag Rugby – Mr A  
KS1 Multisports – Coach Kim  
KS2 Spanish – Mrs Klempa (lunch)

Thursday: Outdoor Fitness – Outdoor Fitness  
KS1 Spanish - Mrs Klempa (lunch)

Friday: Dance - Maxine

**Staffing Updates 2019-20**

**Pegasus:** Mrs Hodgson will be teaching on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday; and will be responsible for teaching all Pegasus Maths.

Mrs Comber will be teaching on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; and will be responsible for teaching all Pegasus Literacy.

**PPA Cover** (teacher release afternoon)

**Gruffalo** (Thurs)– Mrs Lord

**Unicorn** (Thurs) – Mrs Russell

**Pegasus** (Weds) – Mrs Russell

**Hobbit** (Fri) – Mrs Lord



**Diary**

**11.09.19: Individual Photographs**

**16.09.19: Clubs start**

**01.10.19: Harvest Festival church tbc**

**02.10.19: Flu Vaccinations**

**14.10.19: Open Morning for prospective parents.**

**16.10.19: Open Morning for prospective parents.**

**28.10.19 – 1.11.19: Half Term**

**04.11.19: Back to school**

**11.11.19: Open Morning for prospective parents.**

**20.12.19: Last day of term.**

**Governors**

**Welcome back ! We hope you all had a lovely summer break and we would particularly like to welcome all our new parents at Rusper.**

**Following on from the surveys that went out last term to all staff, parents, pupils and all members of the governing body, staff and governors met on the first INSET day of the term for a strategic planning session. This was successfully led by one of our governors, Belinda Kiely. The culmination of the surveys and the session will go to form the basis of our strategic plan, which will be shared with parents once it is ready. The strategic plan, the means of achieving our vision, will consist of improvement priorities and will span over the next 3-5 years. It will also provide the foundation for the school improvement plan. It will be monitored by governors and reviewed on an annual basis. So, keep an eye out for it .....**