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Headteacher's news:

It has been a very busy first week back after the half term break - especially the second half of the week.

On Wednesday, Mrs Moore (writing lead) and I visited all classes as we monitored the quality of teaching and learning across school. This is the first real piece of school self-evaluation we have done since Ofsted visited in July and we were delighted with the work we saw in books and the children's enthusiasm and attitudes to the writing curriculum. After school on Wednesday, we played an U11 friendly football match against Rawdon Littlemoor. For many of the children, this was the first time they had represented school and although we were on the end of a heavy defeat, the children did not give up and showed resilience and determination throughout.

Yesterday was a 'physically active' day for many children as the Academy of the Northern Ballet delivered some free workshops in the morning (Y3 and Y4), Leeds Rhinos Foundation worked with Reception and Y5 Oak, Y1 Pear enjoyed a PE session in the sunshine on the bottom MUGA, The Skipping School delivered workshops to Year 4 and cross-country trials took place for KS2 in advance of a festival we are attending next week.

We have also been busy showing prospective parents (children starting school in September 2023) around school this week and this morning we held the second of our Open Days.

Have a lovely weekend and if you are going to enjoy some November 5th celebrations, please do so safely.





Y3/4 Cedar Tree Class enjoying ballet

Y4 Beech Tree Class enjoying skipping

Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week:				
<u>Nursery</u>	<u>Reception</u>	<u>Y1 Pear</u>	<u>Y1/2 Lime</u>	<u>Y2 Cherry</u>
	<u>Y3 Willow</u>	<u>Y3/4 Cedar</u>	<u>Y4 Beech</u>	
	<u>Y5 Oak</u>	<u>Y5/6 Ash</u>	<u>Y6 Maple</u>	

In assembly this week Miss Tidey spoke to the children about Guy Fawkes and delivered important safety messages about the 5th November.

I would like to introduce you to our new **Family Support Worker** who started with us this week. Mrs Wilson is looking forward to working with our families over the coming weeks, months and years.



FORP Have set up an <u>easyfundraising</u> account where parents can sign up and make 'Friends of Rufford Park' their cause. Money is donated every time certain brands or retailers are purchased or used. As an incentive to get people to sign up, Rawdon Gas are donating a One4All gift voucher for £25. Anyone who signs up by Sunday 13 November will be entered into a draw to win the voucher.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 8 Nov (Y2 and Y1) & Thurs 10 Nov (Y1/2): Florence Nightingale Workshop Fri 11 Nov: Parent Governor Vacancy closes - please <u>click here</u> for the details of how to apply Thurs 17 Nov: Open Day 09:30 Fri 18 Nov: Teacher Training Day - school closed to all children Fri 25 Nov: World Cup Non-Uniform Day sports attire Sat 26 Nov: Christmas Fayre 12:00-14:00 Mon 5 Dec: Tree of Lights at Yeadon Town Hall 7pm Coming soon - watch this space: EYFS, KS1 and KS2 Christmas Performance details and dates Fri 16 Dec: School closes for Christmas Tues 3 Jan: School opens for Spring 1