



**Rumboldswyke**  
Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

Dear Rumboldswyke families

This Wednesday was our first ever Grub Club event and it was a huge success!



It was wonderful seeing our school community come together and make the most of this amazing opportunity.



Grub Club, run by UK Harvest, is an inspiring initiative that helps to reduce food waste, support sustainability, and promote healthy eating, whilst also encouraging healthy eating habits.



We are still looking for volunteers to come and help us every other Wednesday run this amazing event. If you are interested and able to offer any help (no matter how big or small), please speak to Mrs Townsend in the school office – many hands make light work. Plus, you have the opportunity to get first pick of the food.

Our next few events will run on the following dates at pick up, so don't forget your shopping bags:

- 15<sup>th</sup> October
- 5<sup>th</sup> November
- 19<sup>th</sup> November
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December
- 17<sup>th</sup> December

### New kitchen for the children

We are so excited to announce that our brand new kitchen for the children has now been fitted and is ready to use!

This is an amazing opportunity for our children to develop practical life skills and deepen their understanding of healthy eating. Cooking together not only builds confidence but also encourages teamwork, creativity, and a greater awareness of nutrition.

We can't wait to see the children learning new recipes and discovering the joy of preparing food from scratch.



### Harvest Celebration & donations

Just a reminder our annual harvest celebration is next **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm in St George's Church.** All our welcome to come along and join us.



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Donations can be brought to school on the day. Please see below for items which are particularly welcomed:

Tins of food: meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, cooking sauces, custard, puddings, etc	
Long life fruit juice	Long life UHT milk
Squash	Instant mash potato
Tea / Coffee	Rice / Pasta
Cleaning products	Toiletries
Dog / cat food	Nappies
Baby food	Toilet paper

**You are welcome to take your children with you once the service has finished.**

### Reminder – Flu Vaccine

The Immunisation Service are coming into school on Thursday 09/10/2025 to offer your child the nasal Flu spray vaccination. Don't forget to complete your online consent forms.

Please see your email for further details.



### Children's Bookfest

As mentioned in our last newsletter, next week the children will be visited by two authors fantastic authors:

- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October -Years 1&2 (KS1) will meet Abiola Bello who wrote 'Wild Magic'
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Years 3-6 (KS2) will meet Ramzee who wrote 'The Cheat Book'

(<https://www.childrensbookfest.com/>)

We can't wait to welcome them to Rumboldswyke!

### School lunch orders:

The new school lunch menu is now available to order through the Arbor Parent Portal / Arbor App.

If you would like to order your child a hot meal for after the October half



term break, please ensure you have done so via the Arbor Parent Portal **by Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October.**

### Year 3 Swimming Lessons

After the October half term our year 3 class will be taking part in swimming lessons. Please can parents check their emails for further details and ensure payments and consents are made before the required date.



### Parents Evenings

Parents evening for all classes will be held on

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**October.** Please put these dates in your diary.

More details will follow via email next week, including information on how to sign up via the Arbor Parent Portal / Arbor App.



### Phonics Workshop

On **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October**, we will be holding a parent and carers Phonics workshop. This will be a chance for parents in Year 1 and Year 2 to learn more about how we teach phonics in school and how you can help your child at home. The workshop will commence at **3:15pm** after pick up.

# Phonics

### Stay & Play for Reception Parents

We're excited to welcome all Reception parents to our Stay & Play session. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time in the classroom to see how your child learns through play. The session will take place on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October** from **8:45am-9:45am.**

This year, we're also including a short **Phonics and Early Reading Workshop** to give you practical tips on how to support your child's reading journey at home. We would love to see as many of you there as possible - come along for some fun, learning, and a chance to be part of your child's school day!



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### Secondary School Transfer & Applications:

Just a reminder that the deadline for secondary school applications is **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October**. Please click on the link below to access the online application form.

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/apply/secondary-school-places/>

Details regarding open evenings / open mornings can be found using the following links:

- Bishop Luffa School:  
<https://www.bishopluffa.org.uk/home/about-us/admissions/>
- Chichester Free School:  
<https://www.chichesterfreeschool.org.uk/open-weeks/>
- Chichester High School:  
<https://www.chichesterhigh-tkat.org/news/announcements/item/36/open-mornings>

With warmest wishes,  
Lisa Harris



A reminder of our after school clubs running this term:

After School Club	Day	Time	Dates
Creation Station	Mondays	3:15 - 4:15pm	8 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Drama Club	Tuesdays	3:15 - 4:15pm	9 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct
Dance Club	Wednesdays	3:15 - 4pm	10 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec (no session 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept)
Goal Getters	Thursdays	3:15 - 4:15pm	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec

### Diary Dates

#### October 2025

7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Bookfest Author Visit (Yr 1&2)
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Bookfest Author Visit (Yrs 3-6) Harvest Assembly (2pm @ St George's Church)
9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Flu Vaccinations
13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Stay & Play Session for Reception Parents (8:45am – 9:45am)
14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Open Day sessions for prospective Sept 2026 parents (9am & 1:30pm)
15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Phonics Workshop (Yrs 1&2)
22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Parents evening (more details to follow)
23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents Evening (more details to follow)
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Half Term

#### November 2025

6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open Day sessions for prospective Sept 2026 parents (9am)
21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Open Day sessions for prospective Sept 2026 parents (9am & 1:30pm)

#### December 2025

19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last Day of Term
22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Christmas Holidays



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## **Term Dates**

### **Autumn Term 2025**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December  
Half Term - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October

INSET Day Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – children not in school  
Children's first day of school will be Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September

### **Spring Term 2026**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
Half Term – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February

INSET Day Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – children not in school

### **Summer Term 2026**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
Half Term – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

Please note we are still in the process of organising the remaining 3 INSET days for the next academic year and will share these dates with you as soon as we can.