

# Rufford Park Post



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## Headteacher's news:

I was very sad to have had to close another bubble over the weekend and have missed Y4 Beech as well as the children self-isolating from Y5/6 Ash this week. Fingers crossed we don't get any more cases between now and the end of the school year. As we edge ever closer to Step 4 of the road map, the DfE has produced new operational guidance for schools. Part of this information states that from 16 August, children under the age of 18 will not need to self-isolate when informed they are a close contact of a positive case. This means that we will not need to close class bubbles (we might not even have these) from September. This will significantly reduce any further disruption to children's education.

On Thursday the children enjoyed our 'behind closed doors' sports day. Children from Nursery to Year 6 took part and competed against each other in 4 teams. Events included a straight sprint, hopping race, sack race, egg and spoon and beanbag on head. All our pupils thoroughly enjoyed their events and showed some excellent enthusiasm and sporting behaviour by cheering others on and offering encouragement to others. The scores were incredibly close all day with Denmark running out as overall winners!

A big well done to all involved - especially Mr Spence for organising the event. It was great to have this important event back on our school calendar!



Have a good weekend; let's hope it ends well on Sunday!

**Meet the new teacher:** This is an exciting and sometimes worrying time of the year as the children get to find out who their new teacher and class mates will be for September. Preparing class lists is always a complicated piece of work for the school. Having 45 children in each year group cohort means that we have to generate new class lists every year. We go through a thorough and rigorous process - as described in the letter you should have received yesterday. This morning, the children spent some time with their new class teacher. Our three new teachers joined us for the day and had a productive time meeting staff, discussing individual pupils and finally getting a proper tour of the school. We also had stay and play sessions for some more of our new reception starters.

**In assembly this week...**we talked about sports day and how participation is more important than winning. We also talked to the children about coping with change in advance of the 'meet the new teacher' sessions today.

### Sports Day Scores:

Denmark	England	Italy	Spain
404	391	371	402



Mrs Sudall was delighted to see the children in Nursery playing with their new freestanding basketball hoop this week.

This was purchased following a thoughtful donation from a parent of a child in this class



### Dates for the diary

**Wed, Thurs & Fri (14-16 July):** Y6 Leavers' Shows (during school hours). Tickets will be issued on Monday 12 July

**Mon 19 July:** Infant Disco

**Wed 21 July:** KS2 Disco

**Fri 23 July:** School closes for the summer break.

**Mon 6 September:** Teacher Training Day

**Tues 7 September:** First day of school

Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week:

[Nursery](#)   [Reception](#)

[Y1 Pear](#)   [Y1/2 Lime](#)

[Y2 Cherry](#)

[Y3 Willow](#)

[Y3/4 Cedar](#)

[Y4 Beech](#)

[Y5 Oak](#)

[Y5/6 Ash](#)

[Y6 Maple](#)