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Dates for Term 1:

Monday 17th September (week beginning)

School Council Nominations and Voting

Tuesday 18th September

'Height and Weight' Year 6

Thursday 27th September

Individual Photos

Friday 28th September

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Monday 1st October

Year 6 Morfa Bay Residential

Wednesday 3rd October

Year 3 Farm Park Visit

Thursday 4th October

National Poetry Day

Tuesday 9th October

Book Fair Arrives

Parents' Evening (all years)

Wednesday 10th October

Parents' Evening (all years)

Friday 12th October

Sir Isaac Newton class assembly

Monday 15th October (Week Beginning)

Science and Technology Week

Wednesday 17th October

Year 6 Community Lunch

Wednesday 24th October

Last day of term 1 (3:10)

Monday 5th November

Return to School

Ruskin Junior School

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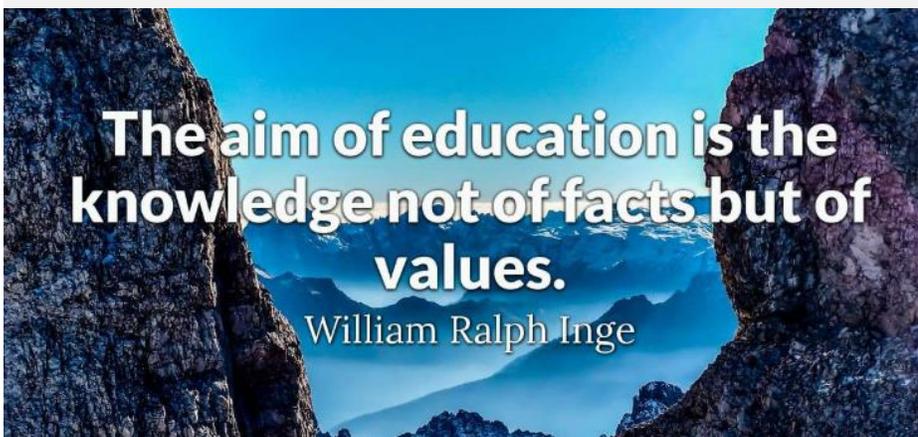
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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to the start of another year at Ruskin Junior School. The beginning of term is always one that brings out so many emotions: in children, parents and teachers alike! But we are happy to say that all of our children have settled in brilliantly and we're so proud of how quickly they've adapted to their new learning environments. Anyway, for obvious reasons, this newsletter is going to be brief but we can't wait to keep you updated with what your children will have been up to in our next edition. Cheerio for now and all the best!

Mr Beadnell



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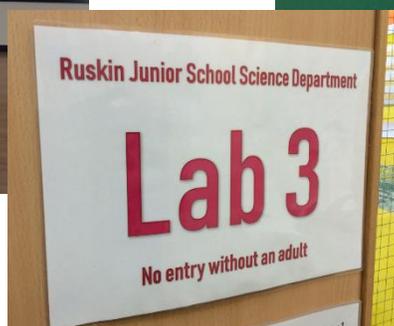
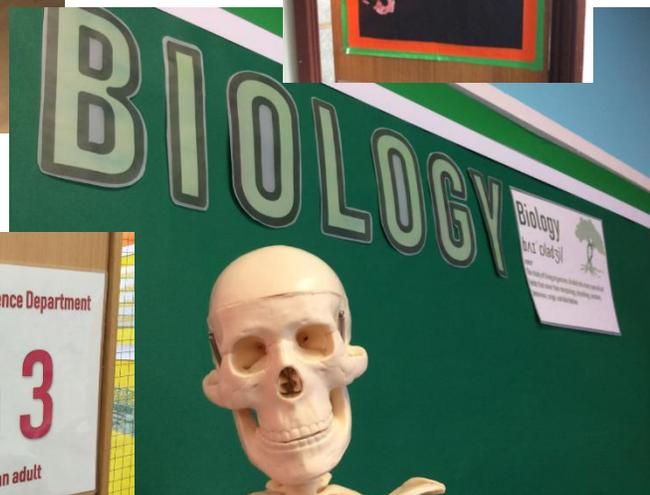
Value for Term 1:

Democracy



School Improvements

We are delighted and very proud to announce the completion and opening of our brand new dance studio. Over the summer holidays the studio has been redecorated and fitted with mirrors and a ballet barre. With the sprung floor having been installed a number of years ago, this is a wonderful resource which the children and indeed the community can finally use to its full extent. Behind the studio, the decking has been replaced with tarmac and is now another outdoor space in which the children can play and learn. The ramps to the year 6 mobiles have been given a new lease of life and you may have noticed that some of our trees have had some drastic surgery! What's more, our new art room is now in use and we also have a new classroom dedicated to all things scientific. We've invested in brand new tables and chairs for lunchtimes and this coming year we're planning to convert one of the mobiles into a music studio and complete the development of our nature area. It's been a busy summer holiday here at Ruskin and one that will enable your children to have access to a range of new resources to make their school experience even better. Exciting times!



New Curriculum Maps Live

The Big Idea curriculum maps are now live on the school website so please click on the link below to find out where your child's learning will take them this term.

[Term 1 Big Idea Maps](#)

Teachers have been working hard in finding the most effective and exciting ways to learn and these curriculum maps will give you an indicator of what each year group will be learning this term.

Uniform Reminder

It is fantastic to see our children so well dressed and prepared for the new school year. We really appreciate your support here: such factors are important in our continuous and ongoing efforts to raise standards in all aspects of the school's provision. This is something we will be looking to maintain over the course of the year so please be aware that should your child's clothing or footwear not adhere to the school's policy, a text will be sent home to notify you. [Details of the school's uniform policy can be found on the school website under the Our School tab.](#)

Play Equipment

We would like to remind parents that children are not allowed on the play equipment at the end of the school day. Many thanks.