



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Autumn Term

Week 5

6th October 2023

As I type this, we have received news that the children and staff on the Year 6 Bristol residential trip are on their way home. I have enjoyed hearing the updates and seeing some of the pictures on Facebook. I am sure that the children that have been away will have created some great memories, learned some new facts and perhaps developed their resilience, too. School residential are a useful opportunity to enrich the children's time at school and they can only happen if staff are willing to take the children away and sacrifice some sleep as well. I am grateful to all the staff for their commitment and Mrs King in particular for leading the trip so successfully. Thank you!



Art Workshop



Year 6 in The Grove



Wraparound Care's autumnal wreaths

School residential are not for every child – for a variety of reasons. We always aim to ensure that the remaining children are also having some memorable experiences whilst learning new skills and demonstrating new talents. On Wednesday I had the pleasure of teaching the Year 6 children and helping them to create a clay model to go alongside the story they were reading. I was very impressed with their perseverance and also the ways in which they supported and encouraged each other. I can safely say that there are some very talented artists within the Year 6 cohort! Sculptors in the making perhaps!

I am aware that all parents have been informed of the disruption to traffic around the new leisure centre at KGB. We will continue to share any concerns you raise with the school with Spelthorne Council, but do not have any influence around the decisions being made. I would ask all parents that are finding the traffic heavier or the journey to school slower than normal, to plan for an earlier departure from home!

Tomorrow is the PTA 'Welcome Back' party. The weather looks like being very kind and I am certain that a great time will be had. I thank the PTA for arranging this event and also say a big 'thank you' to all those parents that are volunteering – especially those doing so for the first time. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Finally – a correction! Last week I failed to say thank you to a member of staff that left Riverbridge. Mrs Ridolfi has moved to a school more local to her and we are missing her input already. We wish her well!

Harvest Festival Donations

Whole School

As part of our school wide Harvest Festival next week, we will be taking a collection for Manna Food Bank. Please can children bring donations of non-perishable food items to class by Friday 14th October. On the Manna Food Bank website they have indicated that the following items are most needed: tinned Spaghetti, long life juice cartons, instant noodles for 1 and shampoo. A more comprehensive list can be found here: https://www.mannafoodbank.co.uk/latest_shortages, however any and all donations are much appreciated! Thank you.

Learning

Year 6

This week has been an exciting one for the Year 6 children who went to Bristol as well as for those who remained at school. Those in Riverbridge enjoyed lively debates, designed and built shelters in the Grove (shown above), made clay models and designed placards after learning about protests.

Parent Consultation Meetings – Booking Deadline

Whole School

A reminder that if you haven't already, the deadline to book your Parent Consultation with your child's class teacher is by midnight on Wednesday 11th October. These appointments are available to book via your Scopay account. If you have not yet registered for Scopay please contact the school office ASAP.

Headlice

Whole School

Please can we draw your attention to an information sheet regarding headlice, found on our website [here](#).

Art

Year 5 & 6



On Monday, several Year 5 and 6 artists had the opportunity to attend a workshop with the talented local artist, Saroj. The children had a fruitful discussion about the future of Staines. They expressed their desires to welcome wildlife and have exciting modes of transport in the town. In Spring 2024, Saroj will be painting a magnificent mural under the railway bridge on Laleham Road. The inspirational designs created by the children during the workshop will serve as a guide for Saroj's artwork.

Feeling Good Week w/c 9th Oct

Whole School

Feeling Good Week will be taking place next week with the theme: 'I can... We can'. Class teachers will be planning activities to raise awareness of the importance of individual contribution and talents towards achieving a group goal. The week will be full of group work and collaboration, with the children being encouraged to show good teamwork skills.

Half Term Camps

Whole School

Sports Focus' October Half Term Camp booking form is now live. For all information and to book, please see the following link <https://forms.gle/5Su8qeeMQSkJokTb6>

Vacancies

Whole School

Darley Dene School is recruiting: Are you ambitious and keen to make a difference?

We are seeking to appoint a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual for the role of Teaching Assistant. This is an opportunity for an individual who is patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and inspirational team of teaching and support staff. For more information please visit: <https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1369455>

PTA

Whole School

Riverbridge PTA is our school's fundraising community.
Everyone's welcome to get involved.



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FRIENDS OF RIVERBRIDGE

See you at tomorrow's Welcome Back Party!

For those who have brought tickets, it's nearly time for this year's Welcome Back Party - the fun starts at 5pm with a BBQ, stalls and fireworks. We hope everyone coming along has a great time!

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help out - if you are on a stall you will receive an email or message by Friday evening confirming which stall you will be on and your time slot. If you don't receive it please check your spam just in case, and get in touch using the email address below.

We still need nut free cake donations (shop brought or homemade). If you can help, please email us at

Clothes collection raises £95

Our Bag2School collection in September raised £95 for Riverbridge - thank you to everyone who donated. Look out for another collection later in the school year.

Join our 50/50 Club monthly draw by 16th October

Don't forget to return your 50/50 Club entry form to school by Monday 16th October, along with £10 cash or cheque made payable to Riverbridge PTA.

50/50 Club runs for 9 months between October and June, with a double rollover at Christmas. You'll get a number that goes into the draw at the end of each month, with a chance to win a cash prize. Half the money raised goes towards the prize fund and half goes towards school resources. Good luck!

Extra sessions added for autumn family photo shoots

Our Autumn photo shoots with Memory Cake Photography are proving so popular we have added extra sessions. The fantastic photo shoots for Riverbridge families are available for a booking fee of only £5. Run by professional photographer and Riverbridge parent Kelly Anne Smith, sessions are now available on Saturday 21st October, Friday 27th October, Sunday 29th October and Saturday 4th November.

All shoots will take place in Commercial Road Park, taking full advantage of the autumnal colours, and will last 30 minutes.

After the shoot you will receive a link via email to an online gallery of images from where you can make a purchase from a range of packages (minimum spend is £45).

To book a shoot for your family, go to www.pta-events.co.uk/riverbridge

Stay connected with Riverbridge PTA on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/RiverbridgePrimarySchoolPTA or get in touch at pta.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk

Gold Leaves

Whole School

What a lot of gold leaves this week!

Well done to those children below for making a superb effort with their learning this week. Keep it up!

Luka M	Penny P	Claire W
Daniella A	Reggie S	Willow RW
Colbi WK	Rosa B	Naynika N
Aaira R	Frey A	Alan M
Joshua R	Tommy L	Matilda W
Abdullah M	Mila B	Annika H
Utsav S	Eva W	Ava F
Sabrina H	Lara M	Zachary Y
William W	Harshitha S	Adheena A
Zak K	Carter W	Bella N
Elsie-May B	Nada H	Veronika J
Frank G	Jack D	Cara LS
Ronnie S	Yusuf A	Dexter S
Alex DC	Zara B	Charlotte S
Tecwyn RH	Jack H	Zayd R

Rainbow Awards

Nursery

Well done also to the Hedgehog and Rabbit children for their super choices, too!

Alex M	Evelyn H	Finley-James S
	George W	

House Competition

Whole School

This week we have been thinking about good manners and being spotted using our 'Ps and Qs'

A child asked me in Monday's assembly what the Q meant – I pointed out that you hear the letter Q when you say the words 'thank you'.

I hope that good manners have been seen and heard at home as well as at school!

The current scores remain the same and will be changed next week:



20
Points



15
Points



10
Points

Oracy Project – Question of the Week!

Whole School

This week's 'Question of the Week' is...

Oracy Project – Question of the Week!



This week's talk question is:

**If you could learn a new skill
overnight – what would it be and why?**

Have a great weekend and enjoy the predicted nice weather!

Paul Grimwood

Headteacher

Dates for the diary...

Autumn Term 2023

Sat 7th October

PTA Welcome Back Party

Mon 9th Oct

Deadline to pay the deposit for Year 5 Bowles Residential

w/c Mon 9th Oct

Harvest Festival donations to class

Thurs 12th October

Year 6 school nurse height and weight checks

Thurs 12th October

Prospective Reception 2024 intake Open Morning – booking required [please click here](#)

Fri 13th October

Prospective Reception 2024 intake Open Morning – booking required [please click here](#)

Tues 17th October

Parent Consultations

Weds 18th October

Parent Consultations

Thurs 19th October

Parent Consultations

Fri 20th October

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Mon 23rd Oct – Fri 27th Oct 2023**Autumn Half Term**

Mon 30 th October	Inset day 3
Tues 31 st October	Children return to school
Tues 31 st October	Deadline to complete the e-consent for the Nasal Flu Immunisation Years 1 – 6 a link to the letter can be found here
Mon 6 th November	Nasal Flu Immunisation Years 1 – 6
Tues 7 th November	Nasal Flu Immunisation Years 1 – 6
Weds 8 th November	Volunteers Safeguarding Training Session
Thurs 9th November	Prospective Reception 2024 intake Open Morning – booking required please click here
Thurs 16 th November	Individual and Sibling School Photos – more details to follow
Fri 17 th November	Individual and Sibling School Photos – more details to follow
Tues 28 th November	Individual and Sibling School Photos – more details to follow
Weds 29th November	Butser Farm Trip - Year 3 link to the letter can be found here
Tues 19 th December	End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery
Tues 19 th December	No After School Club

Weds 20th Dec – Weds 3rd Jan 2024**Christmas Holidays****Spring Term 2024**

Thurs 4th January Children return to school

Mon 12th Feb – Fri 16th Feb 2024**Spring Half Term**

Mon 19 th February	Children return to school
Fri 8th March – Sun 10th March	Bowles Residential – Year 5 link to the letter can be found here
Thurs 28 th March	End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery
Thurs 28 th March	No After School Club

Fri 29th March – Fri 12th April 2024**Easter Holidays****Summer Term 2024**

Mon 15th April Children return to school

Mon 27th May – Fri 31st May 2024**Summer Half Term**

Mon 3 rd June	Children return to school
Fri 19 th July	End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery
Fri 19 th July	No After School Club
Mon 22 nd July	Inset day 4

Tues 23rd July

Inset day 5



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Do you want to win with the Riverbridge PTA 50/50 club in 2023/4?

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Telephone

Email

Child's name

Child's class

Once processed you will be informed of your number by return of this form.

By giving your data to the Riverbridge PTA you consent to holding the above data on file for the purpose of the 50/50 Club. Data will not be shared. *Winning is not guaranteed

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SPELTHORNE
**Resource
CENTRE**

Staines Park,
Commercial Road,
TW18 2QJ



Autumn art open day

Saturday 21 October, 10am - 2pm

£1 per child (50p for siblings). No booking necessary.

For families with children aged 4-11 years. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Space is offered on a first come, first served basis, so you may be required to wait. Due to limited space and fire safety procedures in the Resource Centre we politely ask people not to come with a pushchair or buggy.

Spelthorne Resource Centre: 01784 461769

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Saturday Craft Club

Our Saturday Morning Craft Club provides children aged 5-9 years with the opportunity to take part in art and craft activities, learn new skills and have fun. With guidance from staff the children will be able to make and create their own art and craft masterpieces.

Dates:

Saturday 4 November - Saturday 9 December 2023 (6 sessions in total)

Times:

Sessions run on Saturday mornings during school term. Sessions are at 10am-11am and last one hour.

Cost:

£4.80 per session or £28.80 for the term. Fees are payable in advance at the beginning of each half term and must be pre-booked as spaces are limited.

Location:

The Resource Centre is situated in Staines Park,
Commercial Road, Staines-upon-Thames, TW18 2QJ.

Booking:

Sessions must be pre-booked. To book, please visit
www.spelthorne.gov.uk/craftclub



TRAFFIC NOTICE

Dear Residents & Local Community,

We have been recently informed of Statutory Authority Service Work which will result in a traffic light system being implemented to the junction of Knowle Green / Burges Way / Leisure Centre Car Park.

The following dates have currently been confirmed for the works as follows:

Power Network: **9th October – 18th October**

Water Network: **23rd October – 27th October**

On behalf of these Network providers, we appreciate there will be some disruption caused. Whilst these works are being carried out, we kindly ask you to bear with us during this short period.

Should you have any queries, please don't hesitate in getting in touch via the following:

Cheryl.hogg@willmott Dixon.co.uk

Kind regards

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STANWELL YOUTH DANCE PROJECT

Sessions run on Tuesdays throughout the year at **Stanwell Youth Centre, Hadrian Way, Stanwell, TW19 7HE**

Ages 10-14: 5.00pm-6.00pm

Ages 14-18: 6.00pm-7.30pm

Dance styles include contemporary, creative development, movement games and interdisciplinary creation.

All abilities welcome.

Booking not required, simply drop in.

For more information, please contact
leisure@spelthorne.gov.uk

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