



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Autumn Term

Week 16

19th December 2023

Last Friday's 'Open Classrooms' at Park Avenue certainly seemed to be popular. Having been on the gate and spoken to a number of parents and carers as they left, it was clear that this opportunity for the children to share their learning and talk about what they have achieved this term was well received. We look forward to repeating (and refining) this in the Spring.

Today was the final celebration assembly of the year. This was an opportunity to share the final gold leaves and also announce who have received the Being Our Best Awards for Autumn 2. The list of children – and the reasons for receiving the awards – are added to the Review. This is certainly worth a read. Very well done to all the children that have received this accolade – you can be rightly proud of the efforts you have made!



Chertsey Museum visit Year 1



Enjoy the Christmas break



Year 4 Aqueducts

Today's assembly was also a good opportunity to say thank you to the children and staff for the hard work over the course of the term. It has been a long term and there has been lots going on. I thank every for their resilience. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support given over the course of the term. Thank you also on behalf of all the staff for the cards and gifts you may have shared – this is much appreciated.

Today was also an opportunity to say thank you and goodbye to one member of staff who will not be with us after Christmas. Mrs Quillish, the School Business Leader will be retiring today after over 30 years of service to Riverbridge and, before that, Knowle Park Infants. She has been such a calm and steadfast member of staff and I for one will miss her advice, commitment and dedication to the school. She has insisted that there is 'no fuss' made for her departure and we have honoured this request. I cannot allow her to leave however without sharing publicly my thanks. I wish her well for the future and hope she enjoys her well-deserved free time!

Finally – I would like to wish you all a restful holiday. Whether you celebrate Christmas or not, I hope the next two weeks are positive for you all.

School returns on **Thursday 4th January 2024**. See you all next year!

If you have not yet signed up to receive Marvellous Me notifications from your child's class teacher please can you we ask you to do so over the Christmas break. These are invaluable ways to keep up to date with your child's learning in school.

Dinner Payment

Year 3 – 6

If your child is in Year 3 - 6 and pays for school dinners, the cost for the Spring term is as follows:
£13.75 per week or £74.25 until February half term.

Payments can be made via your child's Scopay account. Dinners need to be paid for in advance. This does not apply to those children that receive benefit related Free School Meals. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Deadline to apply for your child's Reception place

Nursery

We wanted to remind parents again that the deadline for applying for your child's Reception place is Monday 15th January. Even though you attend the Riverbridge nursery you will still need to apply for a school place as attendance in the nursery does not guarantee you a place in Reception.

If you have already applied you will have received a confirmation email with a reference number. If you haven't received this email we suggest you log into your e-admission account to check that your application has been submitted.

If you have not yet applied we recommend you apply soon, rather than leaving it to the deadline date in case of any technical difficulties via <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app>. Please note that you do not need to complete a supplementary form if applying for Riverbridge. If you have any questions, please email the office.

Thanks to the PTA

Year 1

Year 1 would like to thank the PTA for funding a visit by Chertsey Museum to consolidate our History learning about toys of the past. The children had so much fun having a hands-on experience of toys from past generations and making their own thaumatrope illusion toy

Medication

Whole School

If we hold medication for your child in school, any near expiration will have come home with your child today. If your child brought home medication with them, please can we ask you bring a replacement to the school office after drop off on Thursday 4th January when we return.

Aqueducts

Year 4

In the Year 4 DT topic we designed and manufactured functioning aqueducts to transfer water from one point to another, much like the Romans did many centuries ago.

Please enjoy a selection of photographs of our projects.

Clubs

Whole School

Details and links to apply for the Enrichment Clubs on offer in the Spring Term were shared via email last night. Applications will close at midnight on the 4th January. Please can we remind parents that if your child is allocated a space in a club but changes their mind or doesn't attend, you will be still be required to pay. Therefore, we ask you to discuss the choices with your child before submitting your application. Thank you for your understanding. We aim to advise all those who have been successful in gaining a club space by Wednesday 10th January.

Vacancies

Whole School

Darley Dene Primary School in Addlestone 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 see: <https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1390677>

Lumen Learning Trust is recruiting

We are looking to appoint a member of staff to support in the delivery of P.E. lessons across the five Lumen Learning Trust (LLT) schools, this is an exciting role for anyone who is interested in coaching and developing youth sport. This role is supported by Sports Premium funding and therefore is a fixed term contract, expiring on 31st August 2025. There is the possibility that the contract will be extended subject to the funding from the DfE continuing.

<https://www.eteach.com/job/sports-coach-1389220>

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



PTA
FRIENDS OF RIVERBRIDGE

Seasons greetings!

We would like to wish the whole school community a very Happy Christmas and best wishes for 2024!

What's coming up in January?

Bag2school collection, 30th January: remember to save your unwanted clothes for our next collection in the new year. The more clothes we collect, the more money we raise for the school.

PTA meeting, date TBC: we'll be holding our next PTA meeting early in the new year. If you are a parent or carer at Riverbridge you are automatically a member of the PTA – it's your community and everyone is welcome to come to meetings to find out more or perhaps get involved, so please come along. Look out for more details in the New Year.

Shop for Christmas and raise money for Riverbridge

Did you know you can raise donations for Riverbridge PTA simply by doing your Christmas shopping with #easyfundraising?

If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely free. 8,100 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to do your Christmas shopping - at no extra cost to you! Every donation you raise makes a difference to us so please sign up & share today [by clicking here](#).

Victoria, the mother of Maria in RTA has won the December double prize in our 5050 club of £40!

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

There were a few final gold leaves shared in the assembly today. Well done to the children below who have really finished 2023 on a high!

Kawther A	Aria R	Daksh T
Maya S	Maria A	Alan M
Arjun	Toby P	Elena N
Ayla	Charlie	Zofia
Lewis C	Anika M	Iris
Ollie B	Megan G	Curtis C
Ruby S	Tallulah D	Ahaan P
Michael A	Esme C	Jack J
Sriwan V	Ivy W	Kaniska M
Narayani N		

Rainbow Awards

Nursery

Well done to all the children in Nursery, there are no Rainbow awards this week.

House Competition

Whole School

The Being Our Best Cup was awarded in the assembly this morning. It was very close!

Sharing the spoils were Fire and Water House with 15 points each. Air took third with 12 points.
The updated scores as we reach the end of 2023 are below:



**100
Points**



**97.5
Points**



**117.5
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:

**As we approach the end of the
year, what is your wish for 2024?**

Wishing you all a restful and relaxing Christmas holiday.

We look forward to seeing everyone again on **Thursday 4th January 2024.**

Paul Grimwood

Headteacher

Dates for the diary...

Weds 20th Dec – Weds 3rd Jan 2024

Christmas Holidays

Spring Term 2024

Thurs 4th January

Children return to school

Thurs 11th January

Prospective Reception 2024 intake Open
Afternoon – booking required [via the link here](#)

Mon 15th January

Deadline to apply for Reception places

Mon 15th January

Swimming – 4P

Mon 12th Feb – Fri 16th Feb 2024

Spring Half Term

Mon 19th February

Children return to school

Fri 8th March – Sun 10th March

Bowles Residential – Year 5 [link to the letter
can be found here](#)

Thurs 28th March

End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB,
1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery

Thurs 28th March

No After School Club

Fri 29th March – Fri 12th April 2024

Easter Holidays

Summer Term 2024

Mon 15th April

Children return to school

Weds 22nd – Fri 24th May

Rise Up Residential – Year 4 [link to the letter can be found here](#)

Mon 27th May – Fri 31st May 2024

Summer Half Term

Mon 3rd June

Children return to school

Fri 19th July

End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB,
1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery

Fri 19th July

No After School Club

Mon 22nd July

Inset day 4

Tues 23rd July

Inset day 5

Being Our Best Awards – Autumn 2

Hedgehogs

Alexander M

Active

For being an active member of the nursery during group and independent learning times.

Ayla P

Independent

For accessing all of the different learning opportunities that are available to her independently.

RD

George S

Ambitious

For working hard on his letter formation. George has been working hard at home and in school, making clear progress within his writing and always trying his best.

RM

Esme R

Ambitious

For always trying her best and working hard on her phonics. Esme is able to apply her knowledge to her writing and reading.

RTA

Sofia S

Independent

For her positive attitude towards learning and being focused on extending her understanding through questioning.

Imogen G

Thinker

For always contributing her ideas during carpet time. Imogen is always focused and engaged with the learning of the week.

Arshreet K

Thinker

For being a great thinker. Arshreet has been contributing to carpet times and remembering lots of new key vocabulary.

Jed K

Compassionate

For always speaking with kindness. Jed is quick to help his friends when they need it and always has a joke or funny story to share!

1H

Hadi R

Independent

For working hard all term to become more independent in his learning, particularly in maths. This has really helped him be a more responsible learner. Well done!

1L

Grayson F

Ambitious

For always challenging himself in all lessons and striving to produce his best pieces of work using all the skills that he has been taught.

1R

Lucas B

Independent

For starting to do his focus tasks independently and following adult instructions.

Isla G

Ambitious

Isla has consistently challenged herself in so many ways this term: with her learning, showing kindness within friendships, and building her confidence. We are very proud of how hard she has worked. Well done!

Miller W

Independent

For always engaging and focusing on learning all of his phonics sounds and applying them when reading independently.

Jaiden M

Thinker

For always challenging himself with his focus tasks and trying his best to produce great pieces of work.

2C

Romilly O

Ambitious

For consistently being an example to others with your eagerness to learn, and your exemplary behaviour. Keep it up!

2G

Alex F

Ambitious

For showing resilience when making mistakes and for listening to feedback to continue to improve your skills and knowledge.

2S

Blythe F

Inclusive

For being an amazing friend to everyone in 2S. Blythe is kind, caring and goes out of her way to help others.

Evan D

Thinker

You are a deep thinker that takes time to share your ideas with others. When you do, it always shows your curiosity and enjoyment of learning.

Anshika S

Explorer

For asking questions to develop your understanding and your English vocabulary. You should be proud of your successes during your first term at Riverbridge.

Abdullah M

Thinker

For challenging himself to explain his reasoning when solving problems. Abdullah asks interesting questions about his learning and explores how to answer them.

3BH

Harry J

Active

For showing great enthusiasm for learning this term and contributing well to class discussions.

3H

Ariana M

Ambitious

For always trying her best with her learning and challenging herself in the classroom.

3P

Eeshan P

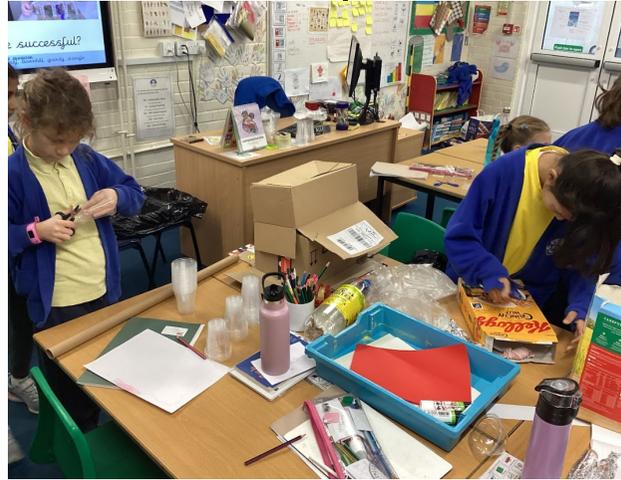
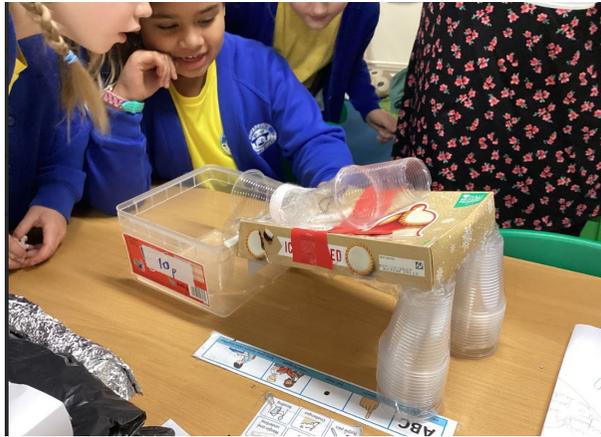
Thinker

For always asking inquisitive questions to extend your knowledge. You always strive to ensure you have a complete

and extensive understanding of a topic.
Well done Eeshan!

Callista L Ambitious For trying hard to challenge yourself this term, particularly in English where you have learnt to edit your writing independently.	George E Thinker For explaining his learning clearly in discussions and listening carefully to what others say.	Agatha D Inclusive For always being incredibly kind and thoughtful to everyone on the playground and in the classroom. You are an excellent role model Agatha, keep it up!
4P Tom C-S Thinker For always thinking deeply across all topics and using his oracy skills to share his understanding with the rest of the class.	4T Prayagh V Compassionate You always care deeply about the well-being of your friends, thank you.	4VP Kate C-S Ambitious Kate, you continue to challenge yourself every day in class. You always aim high and exceed all expectations. Thank you for being a delight to teach.
Tallulah D Compassionate For always being so kind, caring and happy. You look out for your classmates and are a good friend.	Fawz A Connector You are a supportive talk partner, who will always help others when asked.	Darko M Compassionate Darko, you are such an asset to 4VP. You are always helping others and your kindness is shown every day. You are a wonderful role model, keep up the amazing work.
5G Diya S Ambitious Diya, your articulation within your answers is second to none. You are always striving to improve on your verbal reasoning, which enables you to discuss topics in depth.	5R Maisy G Independent Maisy, it has been so wonderful to see your increased independence this year. You have shown that you are a confident learner who tries her best. Thank you for having a positive mindset - it is helping you achieve great things!	5W Charlotte S Independent You amaze me with how you take responsibility for your learning and you always strive to be successful! Well done!
Devyan R Inclusive Devyan, you are so accepting of all those around you. You are always happy to help your peers no matter who they are, encouraging your friends to be who they want to be.	Riley-Jay K Active Riley-Jay, you show enthusiasm for your learning each day. You are always willing to share your ideas in class discussions, especially during English. Thank you for also being such an active listener, this helps you remember new facts. I am very proud of you!	Surabhi R Ambitious I have been so impressed with how you have settled into 5W and the wonderful care and presentation you put into all your work!
6I Mara H Compassionate For being an incredible, and truly caring, friend to others. Your morals are exemplary and it is a privilege to have you in 6I. Thank you.	6K Kyle K Ambitious For working incredibly hard all term to show what you can do. You are aiming high in your writing, exploring new vocabulary. Keep it up!	6S Felicity H Thinker Felicity has worked so hard this term to focus on all of her learning. She has been a real thinker, and this has led to some incredible steps forward in both her Maths and English learning.
Quinn M Thinker Quinn, you always answer and ask questions with a maturity beyond your years. You also convey your deep-seated cognitive ability in your written work. Well done.	Darcey A Explorer For your never-ending work ethic. You always work to be your best in everything that you do. You have explored new ideas and used adults to help you overcome any challenges.	Kayena B Independent Kayena has spent this half term really working on her independent learning skills. She is now challenging herself, particularly in Maths, ensuring she is always Being Her Best.

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