



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Autumn Term

Week 7

18th October 2024

Yesterday we were able to conduct this term's Fire Drills on both bases. These are an important task to ensure the children know and understand what to do when the fire bell rings. I am pleased to say that all the children were very well behaved and very responsive to instructions. I know that some children think that the bell means an actual fire so if any children came home yesterday talking about a fire at school, please put your mind at rest! These drills help to ensure the safety of everyone on the school site. We also need to be careful around the school at the beginning and the end of the day. I am aware that a child on a bike was hit by a reversing car yesterday near KGB. Whilst it is difficult for the school to manage all the local roads, we would hope that all parents and carers (and those neighbours around the school) will be more careful with their driving.



2C creating a soundscape for Jack and the Beanstalk



Girls Football Team



Making spiders and spider webs in Forest School

Next week see the important Consultation Meetings take place. This is such an invaluable opportunity for teachers to share with parents and carers how children have settled into their learning and the next steps that can be taken on their learning journey. I am assuming that all of you have already secured an appointment. If not – there will be further opportunities to meet after half term.

We are sharing this year's Parent and Carer Questionnaire below and encourage everyone to share their views. It is important that you have an opportunity to let us know how we are doing, what is already positive about the school and what we could do to improve further. There will be QR codes available at the meetings next week to give you easy access to this important survey.

Thank you in advance for your support here.

School Dinners

Whole School

School meal choices will be changing after the half term and will be available on Scopay from the end of next week for you to pre-order. Before you make your selection, funds will need to be prepaid. The daily cost of a school meal is £2.80 per day, £14 per week and £95.20 for the second half of the Autumn term. As a reminder, it is not possible for pupils to swap between school dinners and packed lunches from one day to the next. Children are able to change from packed lunch to school dinners at any point in the term, however we ask that children swapping to a packed lunch only do so at the end of every half term. Please contact the office if you have any questions regarding this.

New Resources

Year 2



2C invested some of their classroom PTA budget to buy resources for their outdoor area, books for the book corner and some sensory toys for the children to enjoy. Thank you again to the PTA for your support.



Chertsey Museum Visit

Year 1

Year 1 will be visited on Friday 8th November by Chertsey Museum, who will be bringing along a fantastic selection of toys from the past 100 years. The children will be able to enjoy learning about these in a fun interactive workshop. Thank you to the PTA who have generously funded this.

Annual Parent Questionnaire

Whole School



Have your say in the annual parent and carer questionnaire by following the link [here](#) or by scanning the QR code (left). The QR code will also be available to access when you sign in for your Parent Consultation meeting next week in the hall at Park Avenue base.

Freshwater Theatre Visit

Year 2

Freshwater Theatre will visit Year 2 on Tuesday 26th November to present their ever-popular Great Fire of London Workshop which has been kindly paid for by our PTA again.

Public Speaking

Year 5

5C have been practicing their oracy skills this week. The children used their Roman knowledge and presented their balanced arguments in their own Roman senate. All of the pretend senators presented with clarity and skill. The children can be very proud of their achievements!



Butser Ancient Farm Visit

Year 3

On Wednesday 4th December, Year 3 will visit Butser Ancient Farm for a hands-on day exploring The Bronze, Stone & Iron Age through workshops and activities. A link to the letter with further details can be found in the Dates for your diary section below.

Ties

Reception – Year 6

If your child has borrowed a tie from the office, please can you ensure it is returned next week. Wearing a tie is part of our uniform policy and can be purchased from School Uniform Direct. Thank you for your support with this.

Maths

Reception



The children in Reception have enjoyed exploring the classroom resources to make repeating patterns during their maths learning as shown here by RTB.



Pastoral Coffee Morning – Weds 23rd Oct

Whole School

Jane and Lyn in our Pastoral Team are looking forward to welcoming you for a coffee/tea and a chat after dropping your children to class on Wednesday morning in the KGB staffroom. This is a great informal way to meet and get to know each other, ask any questions and learn more about the school.

Hand Sanitiser

Whole School

All children have access to hand sanitiser in class and around the school throughout the school day. There is no need for children to bring in their own hand sanitiser either in bags or on keyrings.

Harvest Festival Donations

Whole School

Thank you again to everyone who made a Harvest Festival donation last week. The Manna Food bank were overwhelmed by the generosity and look forward to putting your donations to good use.



Vacancies

Whole School

The Echelford Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking for a Wraparound Care manager to join our team. Are you highly motivated, proactive, flexible and reliable? We are looking to appoint a talented individual who can assist in providing a stimulating, creative and caring environment for children attending our after school and breakfast club. The right candidate will be joining a strong, professional team of enthusiastic staff who will work alongside you in a supportive and constructive way. For more information please visit - <https://www.eteach.com/job/wrap-around-care-manager-1446281>

We are looking for a deputy Wraparound Care manager to join our team. Are you highly motivated, proactive, flexible and reliable? We are looking to appoint a talented individual who can assist in providing a stimulating, creative and caring environment for children attending our after school and breakfast club. The right candidate will be joining a strong, professional team of enthusiastic staff who will work alongside you in a supportive and constructive way. For more information please visit - <https://www.eteach.com/job/deputy-wrap-around-care-manager-1446274>

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint an Office Assistant with a 'can do' attitude who are passionate about making a difference, to join our friendly, committed, hardworking team. For more information please see: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/riverbridgeprimary/job/school-office-assistant-1447342>

PTA

Whole School



PTA
FRIENDS OF RIVERBRIDGE

Can you help out at the Welcome Back Party?

The Welcome Back Party is this weekend. We hope everyone who is coming has a fantastic night! The party is organised and run entirely by parent volunteers, so if you can spare any time to help out on the day with setting up, clearing away or being on a stall, we would appreciate any help you can provide. You must already be a ticket holder for the event in order to volunteer. If you can help with a 30 minute slot, please sign up at <https://volunteersignup.org/CD9A4>

Get swapping at our card trading station

A brand new feature at this year's Welcome Back Party will be a Card Trading Station, where children can bring Pokemon and Football cards and swap them with others. There will also be a limited number of Pokemon beginner packs available to buy on the day. Come along with your children to the Music Room between 5pm and 6pm, to get swapping!

New clothes recycling bank is here!

Our new permanent clothes bank has been installed outside PAB, on the edge of the car park close to the field gate. It's supplied by a cost-free clothes recycling scheme called Little Recyclers. The scheme is designed to reduce the amount of clothes that end up in landfill - but it's also a great way to raise money all year round because the PTA will receive 55p for every kilogram donated.

You can now drop off unwanted clothes and shoes at the clothes bank at Riverbridge whenever is convenient and help to raise funds for the school at the same time. If it is full please let the PTA know. Why not drop off your first batch of unwanted clothes on your way to the Welcome Back Party this Saturday?

Christmas card samples coming home in book bags

Samples of the Christmas cards created by your children in school have come home in bookbags this week, along with details of how you can order copies. You will have until midnight on Friday 1st November to place your orders with free delivery included. Any orders placed after that date will be charged postage fees by the Christmas card suppliers.

Riverbridge school will get a 20% commission for all orders received by 1st November, with the funds raised going directly towards school resources.

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

The children below can be proud of how well they have approached their learning this week.

I am sure that they have been as keen to talk about how they got to gold at home as they have been to share with me at school.

Keep up the superb efforts!

Samuel D	Maria S	Kashika K
Estelle E	Yanis C	Alisha N
Aryan D	Sofia E	Chris S
Alfie H	Viaan G	Amelia I
Freya A	Remi C	George B
Sofia S	Cleo C	Roshan P
Tallulah C	Maryam P	Isla G
Dom B	Alex V	Aaliyah C
Ella T	Yunus A	Charlotte L
Sree Pranavi A	Evie C	Avyan B
Indiana F	Kayhan A	Lizzie D
Alice J	Aviran T	Thanya T
Iris C	Luca J	Anshika S
Zoe N	Austin Y	Lennon M
Eeshan P	Isaanvi A	Amelie P
Asenat N	Matilda P	Bella S
Legrand N	Conor R	

Rainbow Awards

Nursery

Well done to the children in the Nursery who have 'been their best' this week!
Great job!

Phoebe W
Teddy B

Dada W
Syed Wasay N

Isobel A

House Competition

Whole School

The second trophy of the school year was shared in the assembly on Monday. The children last week were spotted using their best manners around the school and the winning team were Air House. Fire House secured second place with Water in third.

As a result of all that – the scores are a 'dead-heat'. It could not be closer!



**30
Points**



**30
Points**



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Points**

Words of Wisdom

Whole School

In the weekly assemblies this year, we are finding out about a range of different people from all over the world. We will find out about their achievements and how they have overcome challenges or demonstrated any of our 8 Great Ways to Being Our Best.

**Adi Roche
Campaigner**



This week we have found out about Adi Roche from Ireland.

Following the explosion that took place in Chernobyl in 1986, Adi has dedicated herself to raising funds for those affected.

We linked her story to one of the 8 Great Ways – being compassionate. Her charity has helped over 25 000 children receive treatment or find new homes and has raised over €100 million for the cause.

Her 'Words of Wisdom' helped us to understand that we all have a choice to be kind and show kindness to others and:

‘We ultimately find who we are as human beings through what we can do with and for others.’

Have a great weekend!

Paul Grimwood

Headteacher

Dates for the diary...

Autumn Term 2024

Sat 19th October

PTA Welcome Back Party

Tues 22nd October

Parent Consultations – PAB hall

Weds 23rd October

Parent Consultations – PAB hall

Thurs 24th October

Parent Consultations – PAB hall

Thurs 31st October

Deadline to apply for Secondary School place via Surrey County Council website

Mon 28th Oct – Fri 1st November 2024

Autumn Half Term

Fri 1st November

Deadline to order PTA Christmas cards

Mon 4th November

Inset day 3

Mon 4th November

Reception 2025 intake applications open via Surrey County Council website

Tues 5th November

Children return to school

Fri 8th November

Chertsey Museum Visit – Year 1

Mon 11th November

Reception 2025 Open Day Tour

Tues 12th November

Reception 2025 Open Day Tour

Thurs 14th November

PTA AGM - more details to follow

Fri 15th November

Children in Needs - wear spots – more details to follow

Mon 18th November

Reception 2025 Open Day Tour

w/c 18th November

Nursery Stay, Play and Learn – more details to

Tues 19th November – Fri 22nd November

Sun 24th November

w/c 25th November

Tues 26th November

Fri 29th November

w/c 2nd December

Weds 4th December

Mon 9th December

Tues 10th December

Weds 11th December

Thurs 12th December

Fri 13th December

Weds 18th December

Weds 18th December

Thurs 19th December

Fri 20th December

Fri 20th December

follow

Bristol Residential Year 6 – [link to the letter here](#)

PTA Panto - more details to follow

Reception Stay, Play and Learn – more details to follow

Freshwater Theatre Great Fire of London Visit – Year 2

Enrichment Clubs end for Year 1 - 6

Year 1 Family Learning – more details to follow

Butser Ancient Farm Trip – Year 3 a link to the letter can be [found here](#)

Christmas Performance – Hedgehogs pm – more details to follow

Christmas Performance – Reception am / Yr 2&3 pm – more details to follow

Christmas Performance – Yr 4,5,6 am & pm / Yr 1 am / Reception pm – more details to follow

Christmas Performance – Yr 2&3 am / Yr 4,5 &6 am / Yr 1 pm – more details to follow

Christmas Performance – Rabbits pm – more details to follow

Christmas Jumper Day – more details to follow

Christmas lunch – more details to follow

Open Classrooms – PAB – more details to follow

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

No After School Club

Mon 23rd Dec – Fri 3rd January 2025

Christmas Holiday

Spring Term 2025

Mon 6th January

Children return to school

Mon 17th Feb – Fri 21st Feb 2025

Spring Half Term

Mon 24th February

Children return to school

Fri 4th April

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

Fri 4th April

No After School Club

Mon 7th April – Mon 21st April 2025

Easter Holidays

Summer Term 2025

Tues 22nd April

Children return to school

Mon 5th May

Spring Bank Holiday

Mon 26th May – Fri 30th May 2025**Summer Half Term**

Mon 2nd June

Children return to school

Fri 18th July

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

Fri 18th July

No After School Club

Mon 21st July

Inset day 4

Tues 22rd July

Inset day 5



SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

More clothes -
more funds for
your organisation.
1 kg = £0.55

RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR
SCHOOL BY GIVING AWAY
YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHES



WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

WE DON'T ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvets & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- Workwear
- Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, diapers
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!



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Diet Concerns

School Anxiety

Screen Time Limits

Connections with Family or

Dopamine Seeking Behaviours

Routines

Siblings

Risky Behaviours

FAMILY LEARNING DAY! STAINES LIBRARY



WEDNESDAY 30TH OCTOBER



10:30AM - RHYMETIME

11:00AM - EXPLORE LEARNING WORKSHOP

10:30AM-1:30PM - EARLY YEARS
COMMISSIONING TEAM TALK TO PARENTS
ABOUT ACCESSING FUNDED ENTITLEMENTS



11:00AM-12:00PM - FAMILY LEARNING
HALLOWEEN CRAFT AND INFORMATION ABOUT
FAMILY LEARNING COURSES



12:30PM - 2:30PM - CITIZENS
ADVICE





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- Improve your skills
- Make friends
- Have fun
- Professional and qualified coaches

28th October –
1st November

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Please follow the link below to apply for cello lessons with Surrey arts and follow the link below.

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Join Strode's College ukulele club for KS2 Tuning Up continuers - children who have completed at least one term of ukulele whole class lessons. 45 minutes per week for £9.45 per session.

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