



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Autumn Term

Week 15

20th December 2024

Yesterday's Open Classrooms at Park Avenue were really positive experiences. The children have told me that they really appreciated the opportunity to share their learning with the adult visitors. I know that not everyone was able to attend but I am sure those that did gained a lot from the experience.

The children certainly enjoyed the different PTA events this week. The discos were enjoyable to the children though perhaps not for the parents who were trying to drive down Park Avenue. We will reflect on this and ensure that the timings of any future discos make this smoother. This year has been another successful one for the PTA. I am so grateful for everything the PTA does for the school and also thankful for the volunteers that support in so many different ways. I look forward to seeing more of the same next year.



RTB's Curious Cube



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



Nursery enjoying the PTA funding

The last day of term brings mixed emotions.

Wednesday was the last day at school for Mrs Kent in the school office. She has worked at Riverbridge for over 26 years and has enriched the smooth running of the office team. She will be missed but we wish her a very happy retirement.

Today was a bit sombre as we said goodbye to Mrs Ronicle. She has certainly made a real difference to the school not only within her role as Inclusion Leader but as an integral member of the school's Senior Leadership Team. I know that she will make a positive impact with the children she will be supporting in the North West of Surrey in her new role. We wish her every future success and thank her for everything she has done to support the children at Riverbridge over the past 10 years. Whilst we are still recruiting for an Inclusion Leader, this role will be overseen by the school's leadership team.

There is an exciting event taking place over the holidays. Miss Richards is getting married and will return in the new year as Mrs Power. We wish her 'all the best' for the big day!

A final 'thank you' to all parents and carers for the support given to the school over the course of the year. I know that there have been many cards and gifts shared with staff across the school and on behalf of everyone I say thank you. I hope that the two weeks Christmas holiday is a restful and relaxing one and that the New Year starts well for you all.

See you at **8.40am** on **Monday 6th January 2025!**

SEND

Whole School

To access the Winter Activity Pack from the Mental Health Support Team please click here:

https://www.canva.com/design/DAGZjzldU4c/EnYAKMoWSLq_woAm8giKKw/view?utm_content=DAGZjzldU4c&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=uniqueLinks&utm_id=h424b533a42

Enrichment Clubs

Reception – Year 6

Information regarding Enrichment Clubs on offer next term was shared earlier in the week. The deadline to apply for Enrichment Clubs is 9am on Monday 6th January. A link to the letter can be found in the Dates for your Diary section below. Please bear with us while we allocate Enrichment Clubs as fairly as we can, a text will be sent by Friday 10th January.

New Arrival

RTB

On Monday morning RTB arrived into class to find a giant egg in their curiosity cube. The children made lots of different predictions of what they thought was inside and used the classroom clues to predict that it was a baby penguin. RTB then read the story 'Penguins Post' which revealed that they were right!



Vacancies

Whole School

Saxon Primary School is recruiting

We are looking to recruit a SEND Teaching Assistant with a passion for creating lifelong learners, committed to inclusion and equality and has a high expectation of themselves and every child. Working Hours: 30 hours per week, term time only (39 weeks per year), to be worked 8:30am to 3.15pm or morning only would also be considered (22.5 hours per week, 8.30am to 1.15pm). Monday to Friday. This role is a fixed term position to 31st August 2025. For more information on these roles please see:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/send-teaching-assistant-1456770>

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting:

Riverbridge Primary School is looking to appoint Teaching Assistants. These are full or part time, term time roles, working Monday to Friday. The successful candidates will join a hard working and dedicated team of teachers and support staff, who are committed to improving outcomes for children in their care. For further information please visit: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/riverbridgeprimary/job/teaching-assistant-1458153>

PTA

Whole School



PTA
FRIENDS OF RIVERBRIDGE

Happy Christmas and New Year from Riverbridge PTA!

We would like to wish the whole school community a very happy Christmas break and all the best for 2025. We're delighted to announce that thanks to your support at events like our Welcome Back Party, discos, sweet sales and panto, the PTA has already raised £6,700 for the school so far this academic year. We have also funded £8,700 of activities and resources for the school so far. Below are photos of some of the things we have funded, including a home corner at the nursery and a range of extra resources and facilities in other classrooms.

We'll have lots more activities coming up in the New Year, so keep an eye on this newsletter and our Facebook page for more updates.



Hot Dog Nights are back in January!

It's movie time again with the return of PTA Hot Dog Nights in the New Year. Tickets are £5.50 per child and are on sale from today until Friday 18th January at www.pta-events.co.uk/riverbridge

The ticket price includes the movie, a hotdog (meat or vegetarian), biscuit, fruit and popcorn. Here are the dates for each year; the finish times will follow when we return after the holidays but staff will accompany the children to all events straight from school:

Reception and Year 1: Despicable Me 4 (U) Monday 20th January at PAB Hall.

Years 2, 3 and 4: Sing 2 (U) Tuesday 21st January at PAB Hall.

Years 5 and 6: The Mitchells vs the Machines (U) Tuesday 21st January at PAB.

These are always fun and popular events for all the children, so make sure they don't miss out on a ticket. More details are available in the flyers at the end of this newsletter.

We also need 10 volunteers for Monday and 12 volunteers for Tuesday - so if you can help out, please use the volunteer sign up facility on our booking website when you buy tickets.

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

It has been good to read the final gold leaves of the year. The children below can be proud of the efforts made. I look forward to seeing more of this when they return to school in 2025!

Well done everyone!

Poppy RW	Maame P	Amelie B
Alisha N	Jessica T	Hareem U
Ahmed-Sultan BG	Ethan P	Leo J
Rowan S	Stefan T	Alice T
Ivy-Mae M	Vincent W	Aarush P
Zaynab Z	Rihaansh P	Haya T
Jake H	Toby P	Ayla G
Aaliyah C	Arhaan U	Evaan E
Naynika N	Jimmie R	Alex F
Aviran T	Diyaan D	Roman S
Leo AJ	Carter W	William K
Grace C (5T)	Jack B	Jack D
Ruby S	Irfan A	Aarav P
Nicole K	Isabelle R	Devyan R
Muhammed R	Mufaro C	Ayman M

Rainbow Awards

Nursery

The children who have reached the rainbow can be proud of their efforts.

What a great way to end 2024!

Ethan M	Kaveer B	Srinika S
	Iris B	

House Competition

Whole School

The final assembly of the year is always a busy one with lots to celebrate. Not only were there gold leaves, we also handed out the Being Our Best Awards.

The names of the children and the reasons for these being given are attached to this week's Review. Please make sure you have a read!

The Being Our Best Cup was also shared for Autumn 2. Fire House continued their great start to the year by winning again. They received 18 points with Air second (14 points) and Water third (10 points).

Fire House are stretching their lead at the end of 2024!



105
Points



122.5
Points



87.5
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.

Tove Jansson Writer



On Monday we found out about the famous writer and artist from Finland, Tove Jansson.

Tove was the creator of the Moomins. They were the central characters in a series of books and comic strips. They lived in the Moominvalley and have many adventures with their various friends.

Not many of the children were familiar with these characters, perhaps they might get to read a Moomin story over the Christmas holidays!

The words of wisdom this week were all about trying stay interested in the world around us and avoid getting bored.

‘It is simply this:

Do not tire, never lose interest, never grow indifferent.

Lose your valuable curiosity and you let yourself get bored.

It’s as simple as that!’

Have a great Christmas holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone again on **Monday 6th January 2025** when the gates open at **8.40am!**

Paul Grimwood
Headteacher

Dates for the diary...

**Mon 23rd Dec – Fri 3rd
January 2025**

Christmas Holiday

Spring Term 2025

Mon 6th January

Children return to school

Tues 7th January

Reception 2025 open day tour at 9.30am [book tickets via here](#)

Mon 13th January

Reception 2025 open day tour at 1.30pm [book tickets via here](#)

Mon 13th January

Enrichment Clubs begin: Reception to Year 6 - [a link to the letter can be found here](#)

Mon 13th January

Swimming starts for 4S and 4P - [a link to the letter can be found here](#)

Mon 20th January

PTA Hot Dog night at PAB: Reception and Year 1 - time TBC

Tues 21st January

PTA Hot Dog night at PAB: Yr2 to Yr 6 - time TBC

Mon 17th Feb – Fri 21st Feb 2025

Spring Half Term

Mon 24th February

Children return to school

Mon 24th March

Swimming ends for 4S and 4P

Fri 28th March

Enrichment Clubs end: Reception – Year 6

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

Being Our Best Awards – Autumn 2

Hedgehogs

Alex M

Ambitious

For pushing himself through difficult challenges and engaging in new experiences positively.

Harry T

Thinker

For using his knowledge learnt from his previous year in the nursery to extend his understanding of our weekly topics.

Rabbits

Millan H

Thinker

For using his knowledge learnt from group learning sessions to engage in imaginative play.

Lilah M

Ambitious

For using her new confidence to overcome obstacles. Lilah is always very happy and excited to be at nursery.

RBT

Brandon H-S

Independent

For always having a positive attitude towards learning and being a fantastic role model in RBT.

RD

Samuel V

Independent

For using your phonics skills to aid you in completing tasks independently. You are always being your best and demonstrating this in the work you do.

RG

Vladimir P

Active

For being an active problem solver. You have been increasingly resilient over the past half term.

Matilda B

Connector

For increased confidence with raising your hand during carpet times and making new friends.

Deborah M

Active

For always trying your best in your learning. You are always ready to share your ideas and try new things. Keep up the hard work Deborah!

Sia B

Independent

For using the skills and knowledge you have learned to complete independent tasks, particularly in writing and drawing.

1A

Stefan T

Explorer

For exploring and engaging with a range of different topics this term. You have followed your interests and learnt lots of new things, particularly in maths.

1C

Willow RW

Active

For always participating in your learning, being brave to always share an answer and ideas to the rest of the class.

1R

Ethan H

Ambitious

For trying really hard this half term in being ambitious with his learning. Even when learning get's tricky Ethan tries really hard with the help of adults in the classroom.

Dollie P

Compassionate

For always being kind and considerate to her friends in 1A. She shares kind words and comforts people when they need someone to talk to.

Luke C

Compassionate

For always being undeniably kind and caring towards your friends, always willing to lend a hand and help them in any way.

Aarush P

Explorer

For finding a love for learning. This half term Aarush has been an active learner and contributes to every lesson with great enthusiasm.

2C

Vinisha HS

Ambitious

For always challenging herself to be her best. Vinisha loves to learn new things and develop her understanding.

2H

Charlotte L

Independent

For working hard to build her confidence and independence in reading this half term. Well done, Charlotte!

2P

Rosa B

Explorer

For being a keen explorer of the world around you. You love to explore all possibilities when figuring something out!

Isla G

Thinker

For thinking deeply about her learning in every subject. Isla asks interesting questions and enjoys sharing her ideas with others.

Aya H-J

Ambitious

For working hard to consistently show a positive and enthusiastic attitude to her learning. Well done, Aya!

Uriel O

Compassionate

For always willing to help and offering to be a friend to anyone who needs it. You aim to be kind to everyone you meet. Keep it up!

3BH**Anika M****Active**

For consistently making positive choices in the classroom and being a fantastic role model for the rest of 3BH.

3H**Sharanya S****Active**

For a fantastic start to your time at Riverbridge. You have enthusiastically learned new routines and followed instructions carefully.

3L**Austin Y****Independent**

For growing in confidence particularly in English. Austin has focused on producing extended pieces of work and building his writing stamina.

Antonia C**Compassionate**

For recognising the strengths in your classmates in PSHE lessons and showing kindness to everyone around you.

Alexandru M**Ambitious**

For consistently showing a positive attitude towards all your learning this term.

Indie WK**Inclusive**

For being able to collaborate with anyone in class. Indie takes the lead of discussions but makes sure everyone has the opportunity to get involved.

4P**Grace C****Ambitious**

Grace has had such high expectations for herself this half term and she has made excellent progress in all of her learning!

4S**Kira P****Thinker**

For trying hard to focus on your learning. Kira you have been able to ask for support when you need it, and are really working hard to be your best.

4VP**Frankie L****Independent**

For independently working on his handwriting and improving it throughout the term. Well done Frankie.

Elliot D**Explorer**

Elliot shares his interesting ideas with the class and explores our topics by asking thoughtful questions.

Alonso V**Ambitious**

For working hard to always achieve your goals. You set yourself high targets, and push yourself to reach them. Keep it up.

Mimi M**Compassionate**

For always wanting to help her friend through their class work and remind them of the classroom expectations.

5C**Cara LS****Ambitious**

For always striving to do your best in everything that you do! You have produced work of the highest standard throughout this term. Keep it up!

5T**Roland A****Ambitious**

For aiming high in all subjects this term, super effort Roland!

5W**Kate CS****Active**

Kate is an exceptional talent which spreads across many different skills. She is an immensely gifted writer who takes us on a journey every time she writes. She is an accomplished problem solver and she transfers her attributes across all subjects!

Sofia B**Thinker**

For always ensuring to thoroughly consider all aspects of a problem before completing it in your book. You show care and flexible thinking on a consistent basis.

Kridhaya VK**Independent**

I have been so impressed by your improved confidence in oracy, well done.

Aadil U**Independent**

Aadil is a quiet pupil but that doesn't mean we haven't recognised the immense effort he puts in. He has improved his writing so much it's been a joy to see. Aadil is also a very capable Mathematician and he always gives that little bit extra and shows that hard work pays off.

6G**Nancy A****Active**

Nancy, your participation in lessons is admirable. Even when you are finding a lesson tricky, you still contribute to class discussions with your thoughts and ideas.

6I**Mufaro C****Ambitious**

Mufaro you have shown staggering ambition and stamina in all aspects of your learning this term. This has resulted in significant progress. You have dug yourself out of the learning

6K**Banni K****Thinker**

For continually thinking throughout the school day. You have linked your previous learning to help you to develop further. You are a wonderful addition to our school.

pit in Maths, which you found particularly challenging, and you are now a capable independent writer.

Well done!

Jack H
Ambitious

Jack, your self-development this half term is second to none. The effort you put into your learning, to become better, is something you should be proud of.

Devyan R
Active

Devyan, in addition to being a very kind and helpful soul, you have shown us what an active learner you can be this term. You have been enthusiastic in class discussions and in answering questions using good justifications. You have also been challenging yourself in your Math's learning.

Lyla G
Ambitious

For always striving hard to show what you can do. Lyla, your work is a pleasure to read as you consistently apply high standards to everything that you do. Thank you.



MULTI-SPORTS CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMP

Ashford Community Centre

Woodthorpe Road, TW15 3NJ

2nd January 2025

10.30am - 3.30pm

3rd January 2025

9.00am-3.00pm

To book or for more information
please scan the QR code or contact

01932 568 570

surrey@sportsplusscheme.com

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Funded places available

Does your child receive benefit-related free school meals?

Dose your household receive government benefits?

Have you received a HAF E-vouchers from Hounslow Council?

If so you are entitled to a free place!



9 AM - 3 PM

ELF

AGES 5 -14

THE MUSICAL

29th and 30th December

**CHRISTMAS MUSICAL
THEATRE CAMP**

elf

FOR BOOKINGS AND ENQUIRIES:
BOOKINGS.MTCAMP@GMAIL.COM

Join us for a movie night 3- 5pm on the 29th too!

LOCATION : New Haw Community Centre KT15 3ND

£35 PER DAY

