



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Spring Term

Week 31

17th April 2026

Welcome back! - I hope that the Easter holidays were good for you all!

The start of the term has been a positive one and it has been good to see how settled the children have been on their return.

There was a lot of excitement at KGB on Wednesday with the visit of the 'Wonderdome'. This linked really well with their learning about space and the children were very keen to share with me what they had learned during the visit.

There are things to look forward to next week too. Enrichment Clubs will start with a wide range of different and exciting opportunities available to the children. We will also start to reach out to our new Reception children that will be joining us in September. Children will also be able to attend school in their Brownies/ Cubs or other uniforms on Thursday as we celebrate St George's Day.

On Friday, the PTA Bingo night will take place at Park Avenue. This has always been a fun evening in the past and I am sure that this year will be no exception. Thank you in advance to all those that have helped to organise the event.



Year 1 experienced an imaginative journey into space for Science Week!



Year 1 have been writing to their pen pals



Volunteers needed for our Year 6 Careers Fair!

We have welcomed a new member of the Riverbridge team this week. Miss Richardson will be teaching in 6S for the remainder of the year and has already settled in well to Year 6. Mrs Phelan will continue to support in this year group as the children carry on their preparations for the transition to secondary school.

There is a section below regarding the importance of attendance – please make sure that this is read carefully. I would also like to mention that punctuality is an area to consider. The gates open at **8.40am** each day and this should be when you are aiming to get your children to school. For the remainder of this term, they will close at 9.00am. Can I remind you from September onwards, the gates will close at **8.50am** and children will be registered as late after this time. Please spend this term getting into good habits so that your children are at school and on time consistently in the next academic year.

Thank you in advance.

Attendance

Whole School

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

Nursery Tours

Whole School

We are offering open tours for prospective parents to our exceptional nursery. It is a chance for you to see our extensive facilities and wonderful outside space during a 30-minute walk around with our Early Years Lead, Mrs Talkington. Please see below the booking links for each tour, so you can book into your preferred one:

[Riverbridge Primary Nursery Open Tour Mon20th April](#)

If you have any queries, please email the school office.

Year 6 Careers Fair

Whole School

Riverbridge parents, we need your help!

We are excited to announce that following the success of last year's event, we will be hosting another Year 6 Careers Fair on Wednesday 24th June at 9am and we would love your support.

We are seeking a range of volunteers to come into the school for the morning and share some information about their interesting career journey with our Year 6 children. You would be asked to give a brief presentation about your job (3-5 minutes) and then answer questions from the children. You are welcome to bring anything with you that they feel would be useful.

If you think you might be interested in taking part, please follow the link below and **complete the Google Form**. If you have any questions, please email Mrs Woodhart, via the school office.

We are aiming to provide the students with a variety of career insights, so a wide range of volunteers would be wonderful!

Thank you for your help in making this event a success.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQ0Czs9o1QrQpZQ2c4cNiJuXPm3f1y2vK1oBNBFfhOtDqjmw/viewform?usp=publish-editor>

St George's Day

Whole School

Children who are part of a uniformed organisation such as Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and similar are able to wear their uniforms on Thursday 23rd April in acknowledgement of St George's Day.

Pastoral Coffee Morning

Whole School

Pastoral Coffee Morning Thursday 23rd April from drop off

It would be lovely if you can join us for coffee and biscuits as a chance to catch up after the Easter holidays, and the opportunity to ask any questions regarding school you may have. Looking forward to seeing you at the Knowle Green base.

Lyn Lenton-Clark and Jane Hughes

English

Year 1



Last term, the children in Year 1 explored the features of a letter and wrote to their pen pals in a Year 1 class at Echelford. In their letters, they shared what they had been learning and talked about their favourite books. The children were especially excited to receive and open the colourful envelopes!



Rapunzel Story Boxes

Whole School

Next week Reception will be exploring the story of Rapunzel. As a part of our learning, we will be creating story boxes, containing different creations to represent characters from the story.

We are in need of empty unwanted shoe boxes, so if you have any around, please give them in to the office at either base. We are about 45 boxes short!

Science

Year 1



In Science this week, 1D have been exploring the topic of living creatures. The children visited the school pond, field, and playground to search for a variety of living things in their natural habitats. They worked collaboratively and showed great enthusiasm as they discovered and observed many different creatures - no matter how small!



Art

Year 1



In Art this week, 1D have been developing their creative skills by exploring a variety of ways to manipulate playdough. They have been experimenting with different techniques for joining pieces together, building their understanding of how materials can be shaped and combined. These hands-on experiences are helping to prepare them for working with clay in the coming weeks.



Science Week

Year 1



Year 1 celebrated Space Week a little later this year, and what an exciting time it was! The children took part in a range of engaging activities, from creating their own space-themed crafts to going on an imaginative journey into space.



We were also delighted to welcome a parent who shared their experience as a space engineer, inspiring lots of curiosity and questions. The children proudly shared their existing knowledge, discovered new facts, and continued to develop a real sense of wonder about our solar system.



PTA
FRIENDS OF RIVERBRIDGE

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

Welcome to the Summer Term! We have events and activities to look forward to every month between now and the summer, including:

- 24 April - Bingo Pizza Night
- 10 May - Support our runners in the Staines 10K
 - 20 May - School discos
- 26 June - Riverbridge Summer Fair

Buy Bingo Night tickets by 6pm today

Ticket sales close TODAY at 6PM for our Bingo Night on Friday 24th April - grab yours if you still have time from www.pta-events.co.uk/riverbridge

It's a fun event for the whole family with great prizes to be won, as well as pizza included in the ticket price. We will also have a bar serving alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks, sponsored by local estate agents, the Frost Partnership.

Tickets are £10 for over-12s and adults and £8 for children (free for under 3s). Friends and family are welcome. We hope to see you there for a full house!

Sponsor our runners in this year's Staines 10K!

It's the Staines 10K on Sunday 10th May and Riverbridge PTA has 9 fantastic runners raising money for us, including the following parents:

- Chris Hodge
- Katie Viggers
- Chris Farey
- Rachel Melton
- Debra Newton
- Komala Chowdhari

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to run for Riverbridge. Let's give our runners all the support we can by donating by sponsoring them at: <https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QC707TDB>

All the money raised will go directly towards Riverbridge School to fund activities and resources that support the children's learning.

If you are running for us but don't see your name on the list above, we would love to help you raise money. Please get in touch with us at pta.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk

Can you volunteer to be a Marshall at the Staines 10K?

If you can't run the Staines 10K but would still like to support, you can volunteer as a marshall on the day, either at Race HQ (Knowle Green) or around the course. It's a great and fun way to enjoy the day.

The more volunteers we can get from our school, the bigger the donation we will receive from Staines 10K funds.

If you would like to be a marshall, please let us know by signing up here: volunteersignup.org/QRHB7

Stay connected with Riverbridge PTA

Follow Riverbridge PTA on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/RiverbridgePrimarySchoolPTA or get in touch by email at pta.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk

Gold Leaves

Whole School

It has been great to see how settled the children have been on their return to school. For those children that have got to gold this week – a very big 'well done' and keep it up!

Elwood C
Alex S

Brendon GAP
Louis S

Thankvikka N
Sia D

Chris S	Amelia I	Sanuki K
Mia B	Musa W	Kevin G
Jed K	Sarah M	Zaynab Z
Isobel S	Jovana J	Imogen G
Hareshna K	Hadi R	Blake M
Elizabeth D	Ditya G	Naksh R
Lucas B	Kiyara S	Margaret D
Adam B	Megan G	Hinal K
Theo M	Amelie K	Dakshi NM
Pranathi VV	Nigel C	Amira A
Fawz A	Asenat N	

Rainbow Awards

Nursery

What a great way to start the term for those children below!
Well done to them!

Roxy S	Amirah Z	Chrissy G
Ruthvik K	Eden E	Mahadeesh M
John H	Lorena W	Yassine M

House Competition

Whole School

The scores on the doors in this year's House Competition remains the same!
There will be more points to be added next week.



**205
Points**



**200
Points**



**225
Points**

8 Great Ways to Being Our Best

Whole School

This year's assemblies have focused on people who have demonstrated any of the school's 8 Great Ways to Being Our Best.

We will find out about their life, how they overcame obstacles and how they demonstrated determination to succeed.

Juliana Ossa Survivor

Active Connector Thinker

At Riverbridge we talk about the importance of learning to help us now but also in our future lives. A remarkable real-life story about a young girl named Juliana Ossa shows just how powerful knowledge can be in an unexpected and dangerous situation.

Juliana was spending time outdoors when she was suddenly attacked by an alligator. This is something most of us only hear about in stories or see on television, and it can be very frightening to imagine. However, what makes Juliana's story so extraordinary is how she used what she had learned to help save herself.

Before this incident, Juliana had learned an important safety tip: if an alligator attacks, one of the most effective ways to defend yourself is to target its sensitive areas—especially the



eyes. In that terrifying moment, she remembered this advice and acted quickly. By using this knowledge, she was able to fight back and escape the attack.

Obviously, we talked to the children about how unlikely it is that they will be face to face with an alligator! However, teaching children about safety, awareness, and how to respond in different situations helps build confidence and resilience.

Please have these discussions at home over the weekend —whether it's about road awareness, water safety, e-safety or knowing what to do in an emergency. You never know when that knowledge might be needed!

Her words reminded the children of how she used what she had learned in this dangerous situation...

“I thought of a plan they taught us in Gatorland.”

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend.

Paul Grimwood

Headteacher

Dates for the diary...

Summer Term 2026

Mon 20 th April	Year 6 RSE Presentation
Mon 20 th April	Year 4 Swimming lessons start for 4P only
Tues 21 st April	Year 5 RSE Presentation
Thurs 23 rd April	Year 3 RSE Presentation
Thurs 23 rd April	St George's Day
Fri 24 th April	Year 4 RSE Presentation
Fri 24th April	PTA Bingo & Pizza Night
Tues 28 th April	PAB class photos
Weds 29 th April	KGB class photos
Mon 4 th May	Spring Bank Holiday
Weds 20 th May	PTA School Discos

Mon 25th – 29th May 2026

Summer Half Term

Mon 1 st June	Children return to school
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Tues 2 nd June	Year 1 Legoland trip – more details to follow
Weds 3 rd June	Early Years Sports Day – more details to follow
Tues 9 th June	Year 6 Freshwater Theatre Shakespeare
Weds 17 th June	Year 2 Hobbledown Trip – more details to follow
Fri 26 th June	PTA Summer Fair
Fri 3 rd July	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day – more details to follow
Weds 8 th July	Year 6 Production
Mon 13 th July	Open Classroom/Reception Drop In
Mon 13 th July	Year 6 Lumen Olympics
Thurs 16 th July	Year 6 Party
Fri 17 th July	End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery
Fri 17 th July	No After School Club
Mon 20 th July	Inset day 4
Tues 21 st July	Inset day 5
Weds 22nd July – Weds 2nd Sept 2026	Summer Holidays
	Autumn Term 2026
Tues 1 st Sept	Inset Day 1
Weds 2 nd Sept	Inset Day 2
Thurs 3 rd Sept	Children return to school
Mon 19th – Friday 30th Oct 2026	Autumn Half Term
Mon 2 nd Nov	Children return to school
Fri 18 th Dec	End of term for children
Fri 18 th Dec	No after school club
Mon 21st Dec – Mon 4th Jan 2027	Christmas Holidays
Tues 5 th Jan	Inset Day 3
Weds 6 th Jan	Children return to school
	Spring Term 2027
Mon 15th – 19th Feb 2027	Spring Half Term
Mon 22 nd Feb	Children return to school
Thurs 25 th March	End of term for children
Thurs 25 th March	No after school club
Fri 26th March – Fri 9th April 2027	Easter Holidays
	Summer Term 2027
Mon 12 th April	Children return to school

Mon 3rd May

Bank Holiday

**Mon 31st May – Fri 4th
June 2027**

Summer Half Term

Mon 7th June

Children return to school

Tues 20th July

End of term for children

Tues 20th July

No after school club

Weds 21st July

Inset day 4

Thurs 22nd July

Inset day 5

Date: March 2026

Dear Parent / Carer

You are invited to complete an online health questionnaire for your child so that the School Nursing team can establish if any health advice or support is needed.

What we need for you to do:

Complete the electronic questionnaire form

- Visit <https://surrey.childscreening.co.uk/Forms/SHQ>
 - Enter your school's unique code: - **SR143371**
- Complete the questions**

An automated email will be sent to the email address you used in the questionnaire from Cinnamon Digital Applications (who host the website for us). This email can sometimes be sent to the junk folder, so please check. This email will contain support and advice related to the answers you provided.

If you are unable to complete the questionnaire online, have any concerns, or would like to discuss this further, please contact the Healthy Family Wellbeing team on 0300 247 0025.

For more information about our services and school nursing, visit:

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To download the Surrey Children and Family app, please visit :

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Yours faithfully,

School Nurse team
Child and Family Wellbeing

You can read our Privacy Policy by visiting:

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***Summer Term 2026 ***

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1.30 – 3.00pm

No need to book, just drop in!



Thursday 30th April



HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

Healthy eating, sleeping

Thursday 21st May



**EMOTIONS &
BEHAVIOUR**

Thursday 25th June



SCHOOL READINESS

Thursday 16th July



DENTAL HYGIENE



Let's *Move* *Together*



SEND Movement & Wellbeing event

Sunday 26 April 2026

12pm - 3pm

Guildford Spectrum Leisure Centre

Creating Connection

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- Small animals for calm engagement

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Host a Fundraiser

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Become a Home Visiting Volunteer

Our volunteers make a life-changing difference. If you can give just a few hours a week, we'll give full training and ongoing support. If you've ever thought about helping families in your local area, now is the perfect time to join our team.

Become a Friend of Home-Start

Not everyone can volunteer directly with families - but you can still support us! Our Friends of Home-Start help with fundraising events, awareness campaigns, and community connections. Its a flexible and meaningful way to contribute.

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About Us :

Jo Garofalo – Co-Founder & Creative Director

Jo trained at Laine Theatre Arts and has performed extensively across the UK and internationally, including the West End and tours. With over 20 years' experience producing music and television content alongside her husband, she has worked with world-renowned artists. As Co-Founder and Creative Director of Voice in a Million for the past 17 years, Jo brings exceptional industry knowledge, creativity, and a passion for developing young performers.

Neil Shrimpton – Musical Director

Neil is a classically trained pianist and composer, graduating from the London College of Music with a postgraduate diploma in composing for film and television. With a diverse career as a performer, teacher, and musical director, Neil has led Voice in a Million as Musical Director for 17 years. He is responsible for conducting the mass choir, developing harmonies, and producing all musical arrangements, bringing outstanding musical expertise to every performance.



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