



# RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Summer Term

Week 32

24<sup>th</sup> April 2026

There have been some excited children at Park Avenue this week! The newly created Play Leaders have taken to their role with real enthusiasm and have been having a positive impact already. Putting yourself forward to take on a responsibility of this nature takes real courage and I commend all of them. I also want to thank the rest of the children at PAB for being respectful to the Play Leaders and taking on board suggestions for how to spend their lunchtime. I am sure the positive start will continue!

I am attending a meeting next week with a representative from Surrey County Council regarding the traffic and parking situation down Park Avenue. I know that this is a recurring challenge for everyone that comes down the road: parents, staff, residents and visitors. I hope to share any updates or solutions with you all as soon as I can. One reminder to all is that the speed limit down Park Avenue is now 20mph. I certainly have witnessed cars traveling faster than this. Please remember the rhyme: 'Twenty's Plenty!'



Forest school learnt about  
**Reduce, Reuse & Recycle**  
for World Earth Day



Year 2 have been practising their  
**abstract painting** this week



Year 1 have been  
**creating prototypes** of  
their aliens in Science

There is a new addition to the office team this week. We have welcomed Mrs Rahman and I am sure she will settle in quickly and enjoy her time at Riverbridge. We wish her well!

There are a number of events on the horizon that are mentioned below. Please make sure that the Open Classrooms at PAB are in your diaries. Also – if you are keen to take part in the Year 6 Careers Fair – please see the section below and fill in the Google Form. We ran this event last year and it was extremely popular with the children and also very thought provoking. The family members that took part certainly gained from the experience as much as the children. We look forward to your responses!

## Open Classrooms

Year 2 - 6

On Friday 22nd May, there will be the opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom for them to share the learning that they have completed over the course of the term.

At Park Avenue, the gates will open early on Friday 22nd May at 3:10 to allow time for you to look at your child's learning in their classroom.

The gates will remain open until 3:30pm so if you are also collecting children from KGB, please do this first as you usually would before coming in to visit the classroom.

Please remember that children in Years 5 and 6 who have permission to walk home alone must wait until 3:20 before being dismissed by their class teacher and we ask that parents coming in at 3:10pm spend time in the classrooms and children are not collected early.

## Girls' Football

Whole School

We are very excited that our girls' football team has reached the **Spelthorne Trophy final** – a fantastic achievement and a testament to their hard work, teamwork and determination. The final will take place at Buckland Primary School on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May at around 3:30pm and we would love to encourage members of the Riverbridge community to come and watch. Your support would mean a great deal to the players and help create a brilliant atmosphere for what promises to be an exciting match. Any Riverbridge children, will need to be accompanied by an adult, including children with walking home permission. Good luck girls!

## Disabled Parking Space

Whole School

A reminder that the disabled parking space at the front of the school is for the use of those with a valid disabled parking permit only, we appreciate your support with this.

## 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 24<sup>th</sup> 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/1FAIpQLSeQ0Czs9o1QrQpZQ2c4cNiJuXPm3f1y2vK1oBNBFfhOtDgjmw/viewform?usp=publish-editor>

## SAT's Breakfast

Year 6

All of the year 6 children are invited to attend 'SATs breakfast' which will run every morning of the assessment week (11<sup>th</sup> May-14<sup>th</sup> May). The first "trial run" breakfast will be on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May at the Park Avenue Hall from 8am. Please ensure that you arrive by 8.25am at the very latest to ensure there is time to be served. We won't be able to accept anyone after 8.25am. If your child would prefer to have breakfast at home and come in early to the SATS breakfast they are welcome to do so.

## PE Day Change

Year 6

Due to the class photos taking place on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April, Year 6 will have their PE day on Friday next week. Please ensure your child comes to school in their school uniform for school photo day, and their PE kit on Friday.

## Science

Year 1



This week, 1D created prototypes of the aliens they designed. Next week, they will bring their imaginative ideas to life by making their aliens out of clay, using a range of techniques such as rolling, squeezing, and pinching.



## PSHE Floorbook Gallery

Year 2



Last week, we held a gallery of all our PSHE floorbooks. Over the year, the children have worked hard in their class to create a large book full of all their learning. The children were able to look through everybody's fantastic learning that has taken place so far. They had a lovely time seeing each other's work and were excited about what they might be doing next year in PSHE.



## Science

## Year 2



Caterpillars have arrived! Year 2 are learning about life cycles this half term and will watch the caterpillars as they grow. They will look closely at each stage and make observations as they grow into butterflies.



## Art

## Year 2



Year 2 have been learning about abstract art, in particular, Wassily Kandinsky. This week they are watercolour painting their own version of his art. They enjoyed figuring out how to make the painting pop by using contrasting colours!



**PTA**  
FRIENDS OF RIVERBRIDGE

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

### **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](mailto:pta.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk)

### **Support Riverbridge by being a Staines 10K Marshall**

There's a great way to support Riverbridge at the Staines 10K without being a runner.

The race organisers need volunteer marshalls to help out on the day at the race HQ on Knowle Green or on the route - and they make donations based on how many we can put forward. If as a school we contribute 10 marshalls, we will get a £500 donation to Riverbridge.

At the moment we only have 3 volunteers! Could you help out on the day to get us higher and hopefully up to 10? It's a great and fun way to get involved in a community event and add to your enjoyment of the day.

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

### Stay connected with Riverbridge PTA

Follow Riverbridge PTA on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/groups/RiverbridgePrimarySchoolPTA](http://www.facebook.com/groups/RiverbridgePrimarySchoolPTA) or get in touch by email at [pta.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk](mailto:pta.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk)

### Gold Leaves

### Whole School

To all the children below that have received a gold leaf this week – a very big well done. I hope that are proud of their achievements!

Jessie A	Sibora L	Mofak BAA
Phoebe W	Iris B	Nancy L
Isabel M	Emilia E	Angel T
Skylar M	Mason G	Adaline G
James S	Alex R	Mahdi A
Poppy RW	Finley-James S	Jesse L
Mason B	Zoha A	Alfie H
Dollie P	Saira P	Esme R
Eyad Q	Kenzie R	Adi R
Vedha B	Arlo E	Chloe W
Ethan H	Jack C	Indie C
Dusty S	Zara W	Sofia Q
Miller W	Shrinay B	Naynika N
Yasin H	Daisy L	Joao VBC
Evan D	Zofia B	Jacob M
Evie-Rose H	Alan D	Austin Y
Maahi K	Kira P	Harry J
Archie B	Erin D	Elliot D
Tegh K	Bella S	Kate CS
Laylah Anne M	Darsh J	Delylah SM

### Rainbow Awards

### Nursery

Thank you to those children below that have 'Reached the Rainbow' this week! Well done!

Lexi H	Nuha Q	Oliver W
Louay E	Emma P	Cash H

### House Competition

### Whole School

This week we have been taking part in the summer term House Uniform Challenge. There will be points to add to the totals below in next week's Review!



**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.

### **Lady Gaga Singer - Songwriter - Activist**



### **Active Inclusive Independent**

Each week our assemblies refer to a number of our '8 Great Ways' and how the featured person has demonstrated these. We always talk about the importance of kindness and respect and on Monday we were inspired by the global music star Lady Gaga.

Lady Gaga, whose real name is Stefani Germanotta, is known not only for her music and performances but also for the way she lives her life. She shows us what it means to believe in yourself and to treat others with kindness and respect.

Lady Gaga has always encouraged people to be proud of who they are. From her unique fashion choices to her powerful songs, she reminds us that it's okay to stand out and be different.

Through her work with young people, Lady Gaga promotes kindness and acceptance. She co-founded the Born This Way Foundation, which supports young people's mental health and encourages them to build a kinder world. This is certainly something we regularly refer to – the important of treating each other with respect and understanding.

Lady Gaga's journey to success wasn't always easy. She faced challenges and setbacks but didn't give up. Instead, she worked hard and believed in her dreams. Her story is a great example of resilience—showing us that it's okay to make mistakes and that perseverance can help us achieve our goals.

Lady Gaga uses her voice to stand up for what she believes in and to help others. She reminds us that even small actions—like being kind to a friend or including someone who feels left out—can make a big difference.

**“Do not allow people to dim your shine because they are blinded. Tell them to put on some sunglasses!”**

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend.

**Paul Grimwood**

**Headteacher**

**Dates for the diary...**

**Summer Term 2026**

Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 RSE Presentation
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> April	PTA Bingo & Pizza Night
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> April	PAB class photos
Weds 29 <sup>th</sup> April	KGB class photos
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Spring Bank Holiday
Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA School Discos

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May **Open Classrooms Years 2-6**

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026** **Summer Half Term**

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Children return to school
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 1 Legoland trip – more details to follow
Weds 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Early Years Sports Day – more details to follow
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Freshwater Theatre Shakespeare
Weds 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Hobbledown Trip – more details to follow
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Summer Fair
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day – more details to follow
Weds 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Production
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Classroom/Reception Drop In
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Lumen Olympics
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Party
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July	End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July	No After School Club
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Inset day 4
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Inset day 5

**Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2026** **Summer Holidays**

**Autumn Term 2026**

Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	Inset Day 1
Weds 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Inset Day 2
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Children return to school

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 2026** **Autumn Half Term**

Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Children return to school
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of term for children
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	No after school club

**Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2027** **Christmas Holidays**

Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Inset Day 3
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Weds 6<sup>th</sup> Jan

Children return to school

## **Spring Term 2027**

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 2027**

### **Spring Half Term**

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb

Children return to school

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> March

End of term for children

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> March

No after school club

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> March – Fri 9<sup>th</sup>  
April 2027**

### **Easter Holidays**

## **Summer Term 2027**

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> April

Children return to school

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Bank Holiday

**Mon 31<sup>st</sup> May – Fri 4<sup>th</sup>  
June 2027**

### **Summer Half Term**

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> June

Children return to school

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> July

End of term for children

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> July

No after school club

Weds 21<sup>st</sup> July

Inset day 4

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Inset day 5

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