



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Spring term

Week 11

24th March 2017

Next week is the final week of the Spring Term and it hardly seems possible that the weeks have gone by so fast. Last night Miss Matorian ran the E-Safety evening for parents. It was a really useful evening and I know that all parents that attended left having learned new things regarding keeping children safe when they go on-line. Although the turn-out was good, it was by no means amazing (35 parents for a school of Riverbridge's size is not a great proportion). Miss Matorian will be arranging further opportunities to hear these messages in the Summer term and I know that the positive feedback will be shared with other parents and there will be an even larger attendance in the future.

As requested before, please do let the school know what other learning opportunities you feel would be useful for us to organise. This will enable you to gain a greater understanding of what is going on in school and help you to support your child with the work that they are doing here at Riverbridge.

Mrs. Talkington and I have been discussing an upcoming event that has been flagged up to you in the diary for some time. Last year, a special assembly for grown-ups was held for those children that were in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This was an interesting event and although I recall some positive feedback this was not a universally held view. Having considered what took place last year, Mrs. Talkington and the team have arranged an event with a different focus. There will be more details in next week's Riverbridge Review I am sure, but attached to this Newsletter is the flyer that explains how the events will be planned and how the children in these year groups will be able to share their learning with you and enjoy your company too. Please be advised that the school is mindful that the timings of events of this nature do not always please all parents. We are hopeful that as many special grown-ups will be able to attend as possible.

At this morning's assembly at PAB we said goodbye to Mrs. Prendergast. She has worked tirelessly for the children across the Park Avenue Base during lunchtimes and has also added a lot to the learning of children in current 4L classroom. As is customary when a member of staff leaves, the children presented her with a card and the children spent the rest of the day wishing her well for her new adventures. Special thanks go to her for all she has done for the children at Riverbridge.

Story Sacks

Reception and Year 1

Mrs Quinn continues to be astounded by the commitment of our Story Sack makers and the quality of the sacks themselves. There is another create and make session next Friday 8.30 to 10.30 and a final one on Friday 21st April between 2.30 and 3.30, both at Knowle Green. Please can we have all the finished sacks in to school by Wednesday 26th April. Mrs Quinn will then contact anyone who needs further help. We will then arrange a launch date to celebrate, we will send more details at the beginning of next term. Once again thank you so much for helping to create this valuable resource.

Clubs

Whole School

4 pm today was the cut off for the return of the club request forms. As always we have had a huge number of requests for children to participate in the Enrichment Clubs that we offer. Early next week we will allocate the

clubs and let parents know by text.

Woolley Firs

Reception

Despite the rainy day on Wednesday all the Reception children thoroughly enjoyed the visit to Woolley Firs this week. Here is a report from some children in RSh.

We played the sparrow hawk game. We swooped and 'fled' and 'caught' the mouse. We saw different animals. I liked the fox, he is soft. I liked the sparrow hawk. He had orange and yellow eyes. We tried to be moles and move without using our eyes.

Georgia, David and Naryan

Outside Achievements

Whole School

Aiden Wood (6Mo) continues to progress in Karate-he is now a purple belt-well done Aiden.

Swimming

Year 4

Please remember that swimming has now finished for the children in Year 4 for this term. Any outstanding payments should now be paid via our Online Payments

Website www.scopay.com/riverbridge-pri. Swimming will return the week beginning 24th April.

Sports

Key Stage 2

Tag Rugby

On Tuesday 21st March, we went to Bishopsgate school to compete in a tag rugby competition. We won two matches, drew two and lost two. We also were very lucky to have a training session with an ex England rugby player, Paul Sampson. We had a fantastic time, it was a great experience.

Luke Jones, Blake Wrانkmore, Amber Ghazaleh and Joel Bennett.

Friday 17th March rugby match vs. Laleham

On Friday we played our final league match away at Laleham. We started positively scoring the first try. It was a really even match with only 3-5 points in it throughout the match. We eventually lost 56-53 after Laleham scored in the final ten seconds. It was an entertaining and well-fought match - try after try scored at both ends. You could not find any weaknesses in either team. Miss Moxon said it was a really tense and close match to watch.

Fraser Ellis-Philip and Callum Cayley

PTA

Whole School

We have attached details from the PTA about the Decorate an Egg Competition that they are holding next week. Entries can be brought in to the classrooms from Monday and judging will take place on Friday morning. There will be a prize for the most imaginative and creative entry in each class and every child will receive a small prize.

Red Nose Day 24th March

Whole School

Many of our children(and staff) embraced the opportunity to wear red for charity today. As a school we raised £328 which is fantastic.

Bikeability

Year 5

On Tuesday, Year 5 had bikeability. We learnt how to indicate where we were going safely on a road, emergency stop and how to set up our bike when we were going to use it. It was really fun and helpful!

Ellee Hillier 50

Stride

Year 5

Year 5 have had a very busy week! The whole year group went to Echelford on Tuesday afternoon to join with all the Lumen Learning Year 5 children for the careers fair.

At Stride, we had to work together as a team to plan a great careers fair! We worked with children from Echelford and Saxon. There were two adults that helped us and told us about what a careers fair was. We learnt about lots of different jobs and then picked one to focus on for our stall at the careers fair. When we went to Echelford for the fair we set up our stands for all of the year 5 children at Riverbridge, Saxon and Echelford and met the person we would be interviewing about their job. We got to ask lots of questions to them and find out about different jobs that we would like to do in the future. It was very interesting.

Joshua Holford and Jay Simmonds 5R

Stay Play Learn

Nursery

Over the course of the week parents and children will be involved in one of the following activities:

an Easter egg hunt in the garden, making chocolate Easter nests, buttering hot cross buns to develop fine motor skills and learning to recognise shapes in the classroom. We hope as many parents as possible will join the Nursery children in celebrating their learning.

Parking

We have had a few calls from concerned residents that live near Commercial Road Park regarding the parking by our parents. Please remember to park safely, without blocking access and causing obstructions. Parking enforcement officers from Spelthorne council have been asked to visit the worse areas.

A Time to Talk

Whole School

Considering today is Red Nose Day, this week's 'Time to Talk' activity is well timed as it is all about a story around dressing up:

Tell a story about dressing up. Your child will need to listen and try to remember exactly what is worn.

'I am going to wear my big red shoes, purple spotty trousers, a yellow shirt and a red bow tie. On my head I will wear a green hat with a long blue feather in it'

'Tell me: what am I wearing?'

Gold Leaves

Whole School

Friday's assemblies were as busy as ever with lots of gold leaves to hand out. Each child was very happy to have had their positive learning choices explained to them. It is good to see that learning behaviours are developing so well at Riverbridge and all of these children can feel rightly proud of their efforts.

Aaron Kaldenhoven-Jones
Grace Enoch
George Bignell
Aayushi Singh
Ella Campodonic
Jay Simmonds
Phoebe Robson
Lucas Bayley
Oliver Sperling
Kai McMahan
Joshua Holford

Holly Pearson
Kitty Langdon
Olivia Harvey
Amber Quiney
Arnav Kadam
Caitlin Tillier
Ollie Platt
David Hein
Florence Archer
Teodor Hobjila
Connor Bower

Yusha Kader
Abigail Walls
Kasey Nelson
Amber Morrison
Ella Holmes
Akhil Kandlagunta
Marwa Mohammedi
Georgia Williams
Daisy Sansom
Adem Ryan-Sak

Wishing you all a very pleasant weekend

Paul Grimwood
Headteacher

Dates for the diary...

SPRING TERM 2017

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| Mon 27 th -Thurs 30 th Mar | Stay, Play and Learn in Nursery 8.45-9.30 |
| Mon 27 th Mar | FACT Day Year 5 |
| Mon 27 th Mar | Yr 2 visit RHS Garden Wisley |
| Mon 27th Mar | PTA Decorate an Egg competition – bring to school this week |
| Tues 28 th Mar | PTA hot-dog event |
| Weds 29 th Mar | Music Festival Year 2 |
| Weds 29 th Mar | Netball Tournament 2 teams to Matthew Arnold 3.30-6 pm |
| Thurs 30 th Mar | Music Festival Year 2 |
| Fri 31 st Mar | Story sack make and create 8.30-10.30am KGB |
| Fri 31st Mar | End of term 1.20pm KGB 1.40pm Nursery 1.30pm PAB-Please note new |

SUMMER TERM 2017

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| Tues 18 th April | Children and staff return to school |
| Friday 21 st April | Story Sack make and create 2.30-3.30 KGB cabin |
| Wk beg 24 th April | Special Grown Up Assembly Day TBC |
| Mon 24 th April | Clubs begin |
| Mon 24 th April | Year 4 swimming return |
| Weds 26 th April | Spelthorne Swimming Gala- more details to follow |
| Weds 26 th April | Reception Special Grown-up Assembly 9.15 KGB hall |
| Fri 28 th April | Year 1 & 2 Special Grown-up Assembly 9.15 KGB hall |
| Thurs 4 th May | Polling Day |
| Fri 5 th May | Class Photos |
| Wk beg 8 th May | End of KS2 Assessments |
| Mon 8 th May | Hedgehogs Class Photos |
| Thurs 18 th –Fri 19 th May | Year 4 Residential Bushcraft |
| Weds 24 th May | Yr 3 trip to Whipsnade Zoo |

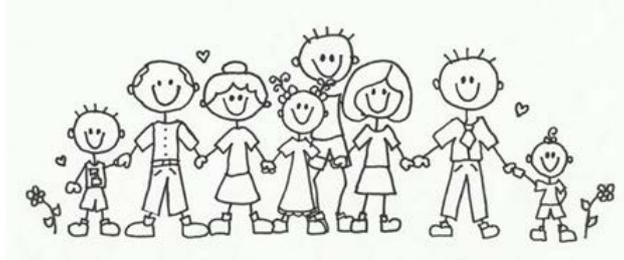
Mon 29th May – Fri 2nd June Half Term

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| Mon 5 th June | Children and staff return to school |
| Tues 6 th June | Stay, Play & Learn session for Reception parents 9.00 |
| Weds 7 th June | Stay, Play & Learn session for Reception parents 9.00 |
| Weds 7 th June | Year 5 trip River and Rowing Museum |
| Wk beg 12 th June | Wider Curriculum Week |
| Wk beg 26 th June | Year 6 Residential Trip Ultimate Adventure Centre Bideford |
| June | Stay, Play & Learn sessions for Nursery parents times TBC |
| Weds 21 st June | Sports Day (Yrs R – 6) |
| Wk beg 26 th June | Year 6 Bikeability (TBC) |
| Weds 28 th June | Sports Day (Nursery) |
| Thurs 29 th June | PTA Summer Event – details to follow |
| Tues 4 th July | Move Up Day (TBC) |
| Fri 7 th July | Clubs finish |
| Tues 11 th July | Year 6 Leavers' Performance |
| Mon 17 th July | Year 6 Leavers' Party |
| Tues 18 th July | End of term for children 1.30pm KGB 1.45pm Nursery 1.40pm PAB |
| Weds 19 th July | INSET DAY 3 |
| Thurs 20 th July | INSET DAY 4 |
| Fri 21 st July | INSET DAY 5 |

AUTUMN TERM 2017

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| Friday 1 st Sept | INSET DAY 1 |
| Mon 4 th Sept | Children return to school (Years 1-6) |

Special Grown-ups Assembly



Reception, Year 1 and 2 invite special Grown-ups to celebrate everything that is special about you!

Reception - Wednesday 26th April,
9.15am, KGB hall

Year 1 & 2 - Friday 28th April,
9.15am, KGB hall

Come and join us to celebrate our Special Grown-Ups in an assembly followed by an opportunity to share an activity in class.

PTA Egg Decorating competition



Students are invited to decorate an egg
in any theme they wish.

Eggs must be hard boiled or blown

There will be a Winner and a Runner Up
for each Class.

And a gift for everyone.

The decorated eggs need to be handed
into school from

Monday 27th March

Judging will take place Friday 31st March.

Good Luck