



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Spring Term

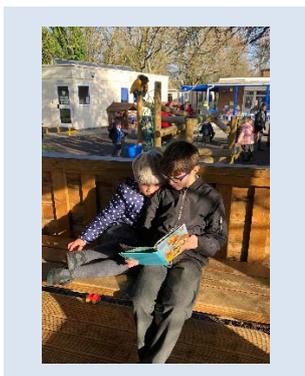
Week 2

11th January 2019

The first full week of term has been a busy one for all concerned. There have been continued developments to our playground provision that have started this week. Resources have been added at both bases including a range of wheeled vehicles at PAB. Another innovation has been the use of The Grove at lunchtime. Children have been able to use this space to enhance their time outside and it has proved a hit already. At KGB, there have been developments too. Mrs McCarthy has organised a rota of Year 6 children that will be walking to KGB each lunchtime to support the younger children in their play. This has been a real eye-opener and the Year 6 children have responded brilliantly to the additional responsibilities that they are being given. Well done to them all!



Many parents will have also received notifications from the school using our new communication tool 'Marvellous Me'. I have heard from class teachers how positive this app is in sharing the good news from school to parents at home. I have also had feedback from parents that are really enjoying the opportunity to receive the messages/badges etc. and also the resulting conversations that take place with their children. I myself have been able to send badges home to children this week and I also find getting a 'High 5' back quite exciting!



I urge you **all** to download and sign-up for this. If you need any assistance with this, or have lost the initial letter, please do drop into the school offices next week so we can support you with this.

Eagle-eyed parents will have noticed the addition of some parking signs outside the front of PAB. Parking has improved over time but these signs will help remind everyone coming into the car park (from Riverbridge, Our Lady of the Rosary or the regular delivery drivers) to have the children's safety at the forefront of their minds.

Attendance

Whole School

As we are formally starting a new calendar year, it is worthwhile reminding all parents about the expectations around attendance. We feel strongly that even one day away from school can have a detrimental effect on a child's learning and therefore absence will not be authorised unless it is for exceptional circumstances.

The Education (Pupil Registration) (England)(Amendment) Regulations 2013, which became law on 1st September 2013 states that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are "exceptional circumstances". The Headteacher is also required to determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if such leave is granted.

In accordance with the above Regulations, requests for leave of absence are treated sympathetically, but only in exceptional circumstances can they be approved. The issuing of a penalty notice for unauthorised leave of absence may be considered appropriate in the following circumstances:

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- Unauthorised leave of absence in term time (5 days/10 sessions or more within a three-month period – this need not be consecutive) without the authorisation of the school. Penalty Notices will be issued by the Local Authority.
- Unauthorised absences or late arrival after the close of registration, on 7 occasions in any six-week period (not including school closures). The liable parent/carer will receive a written warning from the Education Welfare Service of the possibility of a Penalty Notice being issued and given a maximum of 15 school days to effect an improvement. During this period the pupil is not expected to incur any further unauthorised absence.
- Pupils, identified by Police and Education Welfare Officers engaged on Truancy Patrols, who have incurred unauthorised absence. The liable parent/carer will receive a written warning from the Education Welfare Service of the possibility of a Penalty Notice being issued and given a maximum of 15 school days to effect an improvement. During this period the pupil is not expected to incur any further unauthorised absence.

The amount payable on issue of a Penalty Notice is:

- £60 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice
- This rises to £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days of receipt of the notice.
- If the penalty is not paid in full by the end of the 28-day period the Local Authority must prosecute the recipient for failing to ensure regular school attendance under section 444 Education Act 1996.

The policy of Surrey County Council, to which this school has agreed, states each parent will be liable to receive a penalty notice for each child who incurs unauthorised absences. For example, if there are two parents and one child, each parent will receive one Penalty Notice. If there are two parents and two children incurring unauthorised absences, each parent will receive two Penalty Notices, which in this case would amount to £120 each if paid within 21 days.

Parents will receive a letter attached to their exceptional leave form explaining that, should they go ahead with an absence that has been unauthorised, they will be liable for a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Parent Governor Election

Whole School

As many of you will recall, the deadline for applications from parents to fill the vacancy on the Governing Body was today. Excitingly, there are 3 parents that have put themselves forward for this role. I have passed these names onto the school's Clerk to Governors who will then start the process of the election. Further details to follow.

The Grove

Whole School

Thank you to everyone that sent in cardboard and resources following last week's requests. We are so pleased with the items that have been sent in which should last for a while. We will let you know when we need more!

School Dates – 2019-2020

Whole School

Attached to this week's Review is a copy of the school dates for 2019-2020. Please make sure that you make reference to these dates when you consider holidays etc. As mentioned above, attendance at school is an essential aspect to success at school.

Music- Primary Robins

Year 3

Next Tuesday, Year 3 will be starting weekly music lessons with Primary Robins. A singing teacher will be visiting us each week, teaching the children to sing a range of songs, from musical soundtracks to traditional songs. We are extremely excited about this and look forward to welcoming them to Riverbridge on Tuesday for our first lesson.

Outside Achievements

Whole School

Maya C (5T) has raised £70.20 for the charity Barnado's. Over the Christmas holidays, she set up a café at home and invited friends and family to partake in food and drink. The donations will certainly help the charity and I am sure that they are very grateful for Maya's excellent attitude towards others. Well done!

Ukulele Performance

4F

On Thursday 24th January, parents/carers of 4F are invited to watch the children perform some of the pieces they have been looking at during their ukulele lessons. This will take place at 3pm in the classroom and the children are really looking forward to showcasing their new skill!

Family Learning - Years 1 - 6**Year 1-6**

As part of the developments in our provision to empower parents to support with our children's learning, we are going to be opening up our classrooms once a term so you can come in and share in your child's learning in the classroom. Like the Stay, Play and Learn sessions in Reception, a sign-up sheet will be available at the classroom door from a week before the Family Learning Session. If you are unable to sign up yourself, please write a note in your child's reading record/planner with your preferred time from 1 week before. This is a great opportunity to share in your child's learning and see what learning activities can support your child with their writing. Below are the dates that each year group will be holding their Family Learning Sessions. Updates will be shared

each closer date so eye out in the

Date	Timings	Year Group
Wednesday 30 th January	9:00-9:45 or 2:30-3:15	Year 6
Wednesday 6 th February	9:00-9:45 or 2:30-3:15	Year 5
Wednesday 13 th February	9:00-9:45 or 2:30-3:15	Year 3
Wednesday 6 th March	9:00-9:45 or 2:30-3:15	Year 4
Wednesday 13 th March	9:00-9:45 or 2:15-3:00	Year 1
Wednesday 27 th March	9:00-9:45 or 2:30-3:15	Year 2

about session to the keep an for this Review.

Parenting Puzzle**Whole School**

Last chance to sign up for The Parenting Puzzle. We have a couple of spaces left. If you are interested could you please let Lyn know on 07825 742508 by Friday afternoon

Potty training Thursday 17th January KGB School Hall 9am -10.15am Foundation Stage

Please come and join us for coffee while listening to hints and tips to support with toilet training lead by Christine Lancaster from the Children's Centre at Buckland school. Everybody is welcome, looking forward to welcoming you.

Jane Hughes and Linda Lenton-Clark Pastoral team

PTA Bag2School

The children will have come home with a Bag2School bag this week. The PTA would like these filled and returned to school on Monday 21st January, a list is attached to the Review advising which items are suitable to donate. They should be dropped first thing on Monday 21st January by 9am, unfortunately we cannot accept these any earlier as we will not be able to store the bags. Thank you for your support.

Learn to ride course**Years 2,3 and 4**

We have been advised by Surrey County Council that they have introduced a new training course for pupils to learn to ride a bike. The aim of the course is for pupils to learn how to start, travel along and stop. It is a 2 hour playground course, with a short break in the middle, is aimed at pupils who have a bicycle without stabilisers. They can't guarantee every child will be able to ride their bike after this training but, if they can't, they will have a really solid basis for further practice. The cost of the course is £12 and pupils will be instructed on a 1-1 basis. There will be a discount applied if your family is eligible for Free School Meals. It is aimed at pupils in Years 2, 3 and 4, if you would like to apply for a place for your child please email office.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk.

House Competition

Whole School

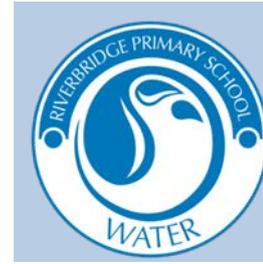
Well done to Water House who have won the first Attendance Challenge of 2019.



60.5
points



80.5
points



85
points

4 Core Skills / 8 Great Values

Whole School



This week, the assemblies have been focusing on the word 'motivation'.

We talked about what it is that motivates us to be our best and also how hard it can be to stay motivated when faced with something challenging.

We watched a clip from America showing some children trying to motivate themselves and others (in **blue** below). Please do watch this at home this weekend.

I also shared another link with staff on Monday (in **red** below) which parents might want to look at separately.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kGusd0HKvtY>

<https://www.lifehack.org/676835/why-giving-up-is-not-an-option-and-how-to-stay-motivated>

Gold Leaves

Whole School

Well done to all the children showing great 'gold' behaviour, a great start to the new term.

Madison H
Ella C
Hayden Q
Prisha C
Arthur H
Janiyah T
Clara G
Ella-Rose Y
Mateo GC

Katheryn M
Bela T
Phoebe McB
Kai P
Avnee P
Blake L
Charlotte S
Kriyashakti NP
Charlie T

Charlie W
Maxie W
Ella H
Daisy K
Rosalie S.A
Pearl T
Maia B
Kavin HT
Leticia L

Rainbow Awards

Nursery

Our Nursery children have also returned to school well, with two children reaching the Rainbow this week.

Tina V

Amber Jade T

Wishing you all a very pleasant weekend.

Paul Grimwood

Headteacher

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Dates for the diary...

SPRING TERM 2019

Tues 15 th Jan	Swimming begins - 4R
Weds 16 th Jan	Girls Football Away v Chennestone 3.30pm
Thurs 17 th Jan	Toilet Training –Pastoral Team 9am-10.30am KGB
Fri 18 th Jan	Bridge Builders Work Experience Boys Football Home v Laleham 3.30pm
Mon 21st Jan	PTA collection of Bags2School
Tues 22 nd Jan	Yr 1 local walk to St Peters Church
Weds 23 rd Jan	Reception Height Weight Check KGB
Weds 30 th Jan	Hot Dog night-more details to follow
Thurs 7 th Feb	Pastoral Team Coffee Morning 8.50-10am PTA Meeting PAB Hall 6.30pm
Fri 15 th Feb	INSET DAY 2

Mon 18th - Fri 22nd Feb - Half Term

Mon 25 th Feb	Children return to school
Mon 4 th -Fri 8 th Mar	Year 6 Residential to Bristol
Mon 4-5 Mar	Yr 4 Bikeability Level 1 details to follow
Tues 5 th Mar	Yr 2 Battle of the books details to follow
Weds 6-8 th Mar	Yr 2 Pedals details to follow
Thurs 7 th Mar	Pastoral Team Coffee Morning 8.50-10am
Mon 11 th March	Delivery of duckling eggs to Nursery and Reception
Tues 12 th Mar	Parent Consultations 1.30-5pm
Thurs 14 th Mar	Parent Consultations 5-8 pm
Mon 18 th –Fri 22 nd Mar	Year 5 Residential to Bowles
Thurs 21 st Mar	Voice in a Million Choir trip
Weds 27 th March	Reception trip to Woolley Firs classes tbc
Thurs 28 th March	Reception trip to Woolley Firs classes tbc
Thursday 28 th March	Yr 4 trip Hampton Court details to follow
Fri 5 th April	End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.40pm Nursery, 1.30pm PAB

SUMMER TERM 2019

Tues 23 rd Apr	Children return to school
Weds 1 st May	Pastoral Team Coffee Morning 8.50-10am
Mon 6 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Thurs 9 th May	Yr 1 trip to Birdworld details to follow
Mon 20-24 th May	Yr 6 Bikeability Level 2 details to follow
Mon 27th May - Fri 31st May - Half Term	
Mon 3 rd June	Children return to school
Weds 12 th June	Yr 2 trip to Hobbledown Farm details to follow
Thurs 13 th June	Pastoral Team Coffee Morning 8.50-10am
Mon 17 th June	Yr 5 trip to Henley River and Rowing Museum details to follow
Weds 10 th July	Pastoral Team Coffee Morning 8.50-10am
Fri 19 th July	End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.40pm Nursery, 1.30pm PAB
Mon 22 nd July	INSET DAY 3
Tues 23 rd July	INSET DAY 4
Weds 24 th July	INSET DAY 5



Riverbridge Primary School

Term Dates 2019-2020

September 2019							
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July 2020							
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Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
Wednesday 4 th September 2019 – Friday 20 th December 2019		Monday 6 th January 2020 – Friday 3 rd April 2020		Monday 20 th April 2020 – Wednesday 22 nd July 2020	
<i>Half term – Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November</i>		<i>Half Term – Monday 17th February 2020 – Friday 21st February 2020</i>		<i>Half Term – Monday 25th May 2020 – Friday 29th May 2020</i>	
Wednesday 4 th September 2019	INSET day 1	Friday 14 th February 2020	INSET day 2	Monday 4 th May 2020 Monday 20 th July 2020 Tuesday 21 st July 2020 Wednesday 22 nd July 2020	BANK HOLIDAY INSET day 3 INSET day 4 INSET day 5