



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Spring Term

Week 12

29th March 2019

There have been lots of children out and about this week. The children in Reception have taken their favourite teddies on a teddy bear's picnic this week. It was so interesting to hear all about it on their return! Children in Year 4 have also ventured to Hampton Court and were enthralled by what they saw. These experiences really help to enhance the curriculum for the children and are such positive ways to reinforce what is happening in class.

Last week was a week away for some of the Year 5 children. I have heard only positive reports from the teachers about how well they behaved and the values they showed too. Well done!

Mrs Campain has been busy this week too. She has organised 3 meetings for parents about how to support the children with their learning. Although these were not hugely well attended, those parents that were able to attend, talked about how informative and useful they were. There will be other opportunities to develop the school-parent partnership in the Summer Term (please see the section below about the Family Learning sessions in May, June and July)



It is always great to read of the children's achievements outside school each week. The news of the school winning the Spelthorne in Bloom poster competition is such positive news. Well done Anik and Nethra! On a personal note, I benefited greatly from the excellent cake sale organised by the boys in Year 5. The cakes I bought were really tasty and well worth every penny! I echo my congratulations to Dylan, Will, Zach and Ben.

Next week will be the final week of the Spring Term. Remember that the end of the school day on Friday is earlier than normal:

1.20 – KGB **1.30** – PAB **1.40** – Nursery

We will then see you all again on **Tuesday 23rd April**

Outside Achievements

Whole School

Anik and Nethra of Year 6 have been chosen as winners of SPELTHORNE IN BLOOM Children's poster competition. Both winners along with their guests have been invited to attend a ceremony at Notcutts Garden Centre, to be held on Monday 1st April 2019. Well Done!

Dylan, Will, Zach and Ben from 5N held a cake sale 2 weeks ago, they managed to raise an AMAZING £608.90 for cancer research UK. This took them weeks of planning, organising and baking and all their hard work paid off, we are so proud of them, well done boys.

Family Learning

Whole School

Following on from the success of the Family Learning sessions in Years 1-6 this term, we would like this to become a termly event. This term we will be focusing on Maths. Signup sheets will be on classroom doors a week before the session. Please can one parent per child sign up to a session. These are a great opportunity to share learning with your child and develop ideas of how to support your child at home.

| Date | Year Group |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Wednesday 1 st May | Year 1 |
| Wednesday 22 nd May | Year 5 |
| Wednesday 5 th June | Year 3 |
| Wednesday 12 th June | Year 4 |
| Tuesday 25 th June | Year 6 |
| Wednesday 3 rd July | Year 2 |

Sports

KS2



On Thursday 28th of March the Dodgeball A team played Echleford in a match. A match entails 9 short games, winning an equal amount of matches it came down to who had the most points scored; with Echleford coming out on top with 22-19. Well done to both teams for their attitude and great sportsmanship shown. Special congratulations to Drew who won Man of the Match.

Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal

Whole School

The UK's Air Ambulance Services are charities which receive no government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies. We have been asked to pass on that they can recycle your used postage stamps into funds to help these vital services. All kinds of stamps are welcome, on or off paper. You just need to leave no more than a 5mm single thickness border around them, and the perforations should not be damaged.



Stamps can be sent to:

Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal
Xchange Master
272 Bath Street
GLASGOW
G2 4JR

Choir

KS2

Yesterday was the final choir for this term. Choir will start again on Thursday 25th April. We are planning a concert next half term in which the whole choir can perform, we will send details as soon as we have finalised them.

Clubs

Whole School

Today we have published our lists of enrichment clubs that are available at both bases for the Summer term. These have been sent as a separate email. To register your child please complete the application form [online](https://www.riverbridgeprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Clubs&pid=303) <https://www.riverbridgeprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Clubs&pid=303>. We will then allocate places as soon as we return from the Easter holidays and inform parents by email of which clubs have been allocated. The clubs will then all start the week of Monday 29th April. If you do require a paper application, then these can be collected from either school office. Late applications will be considered after the initial allocation.

Woolley Firs Trip

Reception

Reception enjoyed an amazing trip to Woolley Firs this week. We went on a bear hunt to see how many bears we could find in the woods and got to make dens for our bears out of the things we found in the woods. We

also made a pond for our bears to have a drink from. We then went to make some lunch for the bears using things such as flowers, leaves and mini beasts. Whilst we were making their lunch, our cheeky bears disappeared from the pond, so we had to go and look for them. We found them safe and sound sitting around a picnic blanket, waiting for their lunch! We ended the day with a song and a dance whilst wearing bear hats. We had a wonderful day and learnt all about what bears need to survive in the wild.

PLAY POD

Whole School

As you know Playpod continues to be an integral part of our playground provision. Please can we ask if anyone has any outgrown scooters/bikes for Park Avenue (ideally suitable for age 8 upwards)? Also Play Pod additions for both bases such as suitcases, buggies, bags, adult clothes (for dressing up in), cushions, teddy's and anything that may be exciting to make dens and make-believe games with. If you have anything that you think we could use but are unsure, then please email a picture to office.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk and we will let you know! Thank you very much for your continued support.

Hidden Garden Launch

Whole School

As the weather is hopefully warming and spring seems to have arrived we are ready to reopen the Hidden Garden (pond) at Knowle Green As many of you will know this is a fabulous outdoor learning area that allows the children from both bases to explore nature and pond dip in a safe and controlled environment. This year the PTA have kindly supported us by providing us with the funds to redevelop the area. Mr Llewellyn has also worked incredibly hard making sure that it is an appealing and safe space for the children to visit. To showcase and officially open the Hidden Garden we are holding a launch event on Thursday 4th April from 2pm at Knowle Green. Please do come along to see how some of your contributions to the PTA are being spent. The Pastoral team have kindly offered to provide tea and coffee and prefects and members of the Senior Leadership Team will be there. Miss Mihelyi our Outdoor Learning Lead will also be on hand, showing what the learning in the area will look like with groups of children.

We are also very excited that the statues representing our three Houses: Air, Fire and Water will also be on show.

PTA

Whole School



Pre-Loved Uniform Sale - Thursday 4th April at pick up time in the playgrounds on both bases. Uniform in good condition will be sold for 50p / £1 per item.

Items sized up to age 6 will be available at KGB and age 7+ at PAB.

Riverbridge Runs the Staines 10k

Please could all runners collect their T shirt and sponsor form from the PAB office from Monday 1st April.

Hidden Garden Project

Funds raised through PTA events have supported the redevelopment of the pond area at KGB which is now a tranquil, safe and useful space for learning. The official opening of the space will take place on Thursday 4th April at 2pm. Photos to follow.

Quiz Night - Tonight

We're looking forward to tonight's event. A licensed bar and a tuck shop will be available. Bring your own food and for those ordering for delivery, the interval will start at 6.45pm.

The winner of the PTA draw for March is number 34, Polina M, mother of Maxim G (RT). The winnings will be available from Monday at Knowle Green Office. Congratulations.

House Competition

Whole School

Well done to Air House for winning this week's Attendance Challenge.

I talked to the children at PAB today about the election for the new House Captains which will take place after Easter.

If your child comes home keen to take part in the election, please offer your support!



137
points



131.5
points



154.5
points

4 Core Skills / 8 Great Values

Whole School



This week's theme has been **keeping calm and dealing with difficulties**. In particular, we have been considering the importance of being **resilient**.

We have talked about lots of things in our lives that we can do to maintain our resilience. We have realised that we need to be mentally and physically strong to show grit and determination.

The clip below was a useful way to help us understand this. Please find some time to watch it over the weekend.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1FDyiUEn8Vw>

Gold Leaves

Whole School

There has been some great learning taking place this week. The children listed below have excelled and been rewarded with Gold Leaves. Very well deserved and very well done!

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| Elliot J | William T | Charlie B |
| Holly M | Tara A | Sandy S |
| Matthew H | Abigail A | Max C |
| Joel B | Libby W | Joshua C |
| Alfie G-J | Maxie W | Scarlett W |
| Harrison D | Gus Y | Liam S |
| Diya S | Devyan R | Albie T |
| Jasmine AK | Maxie W | Akkshara A |
| Leo S | Fraser V | |

Rainbow Awards

Nursery

Well done to the children in the Nursery who have 'Reached the Rainbow' this week. Great job!

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| Faizan K | Prayagh VM | Fidan H |
| Coen McM | | |

Wishing you all a very pleasant weekend.

Paul Grimwood
Headteacher

Dates for the diary...

SPRING TERM 2019

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| Mon 1 st Apr | Yr 3 Sleepover information meeting 6.30pm PAB Hall |
| Tues 2 nd , Weds 3 rd , Thurs 4 th | Reception Stay Play and Learn 8:50 to 10 am |
| Thurs 4 th Apr | Hidden Garden Launch 2-3pm |
| Thurs 4 th Apr | Preloved Uniform Sale PTA at both bases 3-4pm |

Being Our Best

Thurs 4th Apr PTA meeting 6.30pm
Fri 5th Apr End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.40pm Nursery, 1.30pm PAB

SUMMER TERM 2019

Tues 23rd Apr Children return to school
Weds 24th Apr Year 4 Air Quality Workshop revisit
Tues 30th Apr Class photos - Hedgehogs
Weds 1st May Pastoral team Coffee Morning
Weds 1st May **Year 1 Family Learning**
Thurs 2nd May Polling Day **School Closed Nursery – Yr 5**
Fri 3rd May Class Photos
Mon 6th May May Day Bank Holiday **School Closed**
Weds 8th May **Cultural afternoon more details to follow**
Thurs 9th May Yr 1 trip to Birdworld details to follow
Friday 10th May Yr 3 Sleepover 6.30pm
Sun 12th May Riverbridge Runs the Staines 10K PTA
Weds 22nd May **Year 5 Family Learning**
Mon 20-24th May Yr 6 Bikeability Level 2
Tues 21st May **Yr 6 Macbeth Day at Echelford School**
Weds 22nd-24th May Year 4 Rise:up Festival
May

Mon 27th May - Fri 31st May - Half Term

Mon 3rd June Children return to school
Weds 5th June **Year 3 Family Learning**
Weds 12th June Yr 2 trip to Hobbledown Farm details to follow
Weds 12th June **Year 4 Family Learning**
Thurs 13th June Pastoral Team Coffee Morning 8.50-10am
Mon 17th June Yr 5 trip to Henley River and Rowing Museum details to follow
Mon 17th June Yr 6 Lifeskills workshop 9-12Noon
Tues 18th June Yr 6 Lifeskills workshop 9-12Noon
Weds 19th June **Sports Day KS2 9-12Noon more details to follow**
Fri 21st June **Sports Day Reception and KS1 9-12Noon more details to follow**
Tues 25th June **Year 6 Family Learning**
Weds 26th June **Nursery Sports Day Hedgehogs AM Rabbits PM more details to follow**
Thurs 27th June **District Sports more details to follow**
Weds 10th July Pastoral Team Coffee Morning 8.50-10am
Fri 19th July End of term for children:
1.20pm KGB, 1.40pm Nursery, 1.30pm PAB
Mon 22nd July INSET DAY 3
Tues 23rd July INSET DAY 4
Weds 24th July INSET DAY 5
Mon 29th July – **LLT Summer Camp at Saxon School**
Friday 16th Aug

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Weds 4th Sept INSET DAY 1
Thurs 5th Sept Children Year 1-6 and existing Rabbits return to school
Week of 9th Sept New Reception and New Nursery dates tbc separately

Mon 28th Oct-Fri 1st Nov – Half Term

Fri 20th Dec End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.40pm Nursery, 1.30pm PAB

Junior Squash

08/02/2019

Spelthorne Leisure Centre

Intermediate 5-6pm (aged
8-13) Advanced 6-7pm (aged
13-17) £5 per session

Please note that these age groups are guidelines only, and each individual will be assessed on their level and in the placed accordingly.

Ella Frankland

Level 2 England Squash and Racketball Coach
ellafrankland@gmail.com

Juniors can learn and improve on racket skills, as well as develop agility, balance and coordination.



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