

Weekly Newsletter

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Key Dates coming up...

Thursday 3 September – First day of Autumn term for all children – see new timings on accompanying letter.

Acting Headteacher's Message



Dear parents and carers,

Thank you

This is certainly the strangest end to a school year we have ever had and I wanted to firstly say how grateful we all are for the continued support and kindness from our families. It has obviously been a challenging few months for everyone but we have received so much positive feedback from parents and carers during school closure and this has really cheered staff up and kept us all strong for the children.

Thank you also for the abundance of staff picnic offerings. We are overwhelmed by your generosity and to say that we are looking forward to enjoying these later today would be an understatement!

A Little Bit (correction.... A HUGE AMOUNT) of End-of-Term Fun

You may remember that we promised you an end-of-term surprise from the staff. Well, here it is in it full glory.... click [here](#). Hopefully it will bring a smile or two to your faces. Huge thanks must go to Christina for the hours she has spent directing, choreographing and editing. ***Please do not share on social media for copyright reasons.***

Children's Newsletter – 'News by the River'

Feast your eyes on this year's final edition of our wonderful Children's Newsletter – 'News by the River' brought to you by Roxanne and her fantastic team of journalists (see attached).

September Arrangements ****Important****

It goes without saying that we are extremely happy to be able to welcome every single child back to school in September. Attached is an important letter detailing our arrangements to allow for as safe a return to school as possible in September. There is a huge amount of information to digest so I thought it would be helpful to highlight some of the key logistical changes here, which are obviously explained in detail in the accompanying letter:

- Full-time attendance will once again be compulsory for all children

- There will be staggered drop-off and pick-up times for each class (5 minutes apart) and children will be entering/exiting school either through the Townmead gate or Courtlands Avenue gate
- Children in Years 3-6 will need to bring their own pencil case of stationery
- There will be minimal contact between classes
- Parents/carers will only be able to drop off/pick up other children if they are in the same class as their own child
- Parents/carers will not be able to enter the school building without prior arrangement
- There will be no after-school clubs in Autumn 1 (we will review the situation after this)
- Fit for Sport – we will be writing to you separately in August once a decision has been made

We understand that these changes may present some challenges for our families and we will do our best to offer support and guidance on a case-by-case basis. We will be continually reviewing our arrangements and updating them in light of any changes to the DfE guidance (see [here](#)).

CLERK to governors

The Governors are keen to appoint a highly organised, enthusiastic and self-motivate Clerk. If you think you may be interested in applying for the post, please see [here](#).

Have a wonderful holiday and we very much look forward to seeing you all on 3 September.

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Safeguarding

A reminder that if you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact the school's DSL and refer to the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy. If you feel a child may be in danger, you may contact the SPA directly on the number below or the police directly. Key contacts:

Role	Name	Contact Number	Email
Acting Headteacher / Designated Safeguarding Lead	Nell Webb	0208 487 8437	nellwebb@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk
Safeguarding Governor(s)	Peter King Denise Long	0208 487 8437	governors@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk
Chair of Governors	Stephen Hyams	0208 487 8437	governors@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk
AfC Education Safeguarding Adviser	Linda Sheehan	07774686362	linda.sheehan@achievingforchildren.org.uk
AfC Adviser for Online Services and Safety	Peter Cowley	07595173975	peter.cowley@achievingforchildren.org.uk

AfC Virtual School Headteacher	Suzanne Parrott	07827895894	suzanne.parrott@achievingforchildren.org.uk
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Single Point of Access (SPA): 020 8547 5008 **Out of Hours:** 020 8770 5000
Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO): 020 8891 7370 / 07774 332675
lado@achievingforchildren.org.uk

PTA NEWS

The PTA would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Summer and look forward to seeing you all back in the playground in September.

Year in Review for 2019/20

Please find attached the Year in Review for 2019/20. Although we weren't able to run May Fair, Camping Night or the additional two Movie Nights we still achieved an amazing **£6,715 profit**. Thank you to everyone who contributed to that with organising, volunteering and just as importantly attending. Without attendance and your contributions, they would not have succeeded.

As you will also see, we do put this money back into the school to provide activities and educational resources for the children to enjoy and grow. We would hate for this to cease do to a lack of committee members so please consider applying the vacancies below.

IMPORTANT: Urgent Call for PTA Committee

It is with heavy hearts that the current PTA committee members have to stand down for various reason. With these vacancies **we urgently need two people to step forward to be signatories on the PTA's Barclays bank account.**

We also need to fill the roles of:

- ✓ **Chair** ensures the PTA is run effectively;
- ✓ **Treasurer** ensures accurate financial records are kept and best practice procedures are followed. He or she keeps the committee updated with regular reports, and ensure end of year reports are completed;
- ✓ **Secretary** supports the Chair to build effective communication links between the school and the association and maintains accurate records.
- ✓ **Communication Officer** prepares notices and announcements to be distributed to the school community and maintains active presence on Classlist, PTA Social Media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) and local businesses.

No prior experience is needed, just a desire to make a difference in the school community. There is an existent framework and documents created by previous committee members to support each role.

Please email kewriversidepta@gmail.com for more information or to put your hand up.

Recycling Update – We Need Volunteers to Help Continue the Success

With Penny returning to Australia in December, we need some volunteers to learn what to do and who to contact. Everything has been documented in a handover manual so should be pretty straight forward to pick up. If you can spare some time and would like to continue the success of the programme please email us at kewriversidepta@gmail.com.

Uniform Sale

If you need uniform items for the return to School in September, please be sure to visit Classlist marketplace.

Follow Us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram

With all the movements of children to other schools and overseas we need to get the word out about how great our school is and why people would want to join. So please like our pages @KewRiversidePS on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram, like our posts, comment (if you want) and help spread the good word.

Easyfundraising

We just received £81 from easyfundraising for 78 people shopping online! That's over £3,000 collected so far. Keep up the good work! If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely FREE. 4,000 shops and sites will donate when you use @easyuk to shop with them. Sign up now at www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/krps/?invite=4NMEB5

Sincerely

Your KRPS PTA Committee

Chair - Renata (Monkey Parent)

Secretary - Freddie (Giraffe/Elephant Parent)

Treasurer - Mehnaz (Monkey Parent)

Communication Officer - Penny (Zebra/Monkey Parent)

Governors

If you have any questions for or about the Governors please send them to: governors@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk

