

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Issue 5

3rd October 2014

Key Dates for Next Week

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| 7 th & 8 th October | Junior Safety Officer Event – Rhino Class |
| 9 th October | Library Visit – Elephant Class |

Whole School Information

Message from Michael

We had a very entertaining science workshop on Thursday by the Royal Institute called 'Exploding Custard'. We were joined by children from Darell and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The children were encouraged to go home and test a range of experiments for themselves – everything from how water drains away in the toilet, changing the colour of red cabbage water (using vinegar and bicarbonate soda) to exploding custard. I hope you enjoy helping your child to be an inquisitive scientist!

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Many thanks to Carim Seaborn-Johnson, Adele Howard, Katie Rodney-Smith and to Catarina Lusk for all of their hard work and fantastic contributions running the PTA over the last few years. They stepped down at the PTA AGM last night.

I am pleased to welcome, Jo Coulter and Denise Long as Co-Chairs, Anne Paris as Secretary, Catriona Ferguson as Treasurer (and Adele Howard as Chair until the end of this term) and look forward to working with them over the coming years to support our children and families.

Governors Update

Please find attached letter from the governors

Parents Consultations

Tuesday 18th November and Thursday 20th November between 4.00pm - 7.00pm. The teachers will be holding parent meetings to discuss your child's progress and their individual targets. Please see the attached letter.

The Naming of the Guinea Pigs

The winning names are Fudge and Toffee.

Art Week – 20th - 24th October

The PTA have generously donated £1,500 to support our Art Week by funding Orleans Gallery workshops. This week will focus on the picture 'Saint Michael Triumphant over the Devil' by Bartolome Bermejo. The Orleans' Gallery sessions will be based on the theme '*Fantastical Creatures*'. Please see your class information below for more details.

School Meals

To Celebrate Black History Month, the school will be offering an African menu Wednesday 15th October. Please see the attached menu.

The Big Book of Brilliant Behaviour

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| Giraffe | Joshua Parslow |
| Zebras | Alan Wisniewski |
| Elephants | Noah Mwarabu |
| Monkeys | Daniel Pendleton |
| Crocodiles | Connor Sampson |
| Rhinos | Téa Robert-Nicoud |
| Lions | Ishab Ahmed |

House Points



1815



1737



1792



1721

Attendance: Zebra Class

Punctuality: Crocodiles and Lion Classes

Craze of the Week

The week beginning 29th September - Friendship Bracelets.

Repeated Messages

No Nut Policy

Can we please remind parents that we have a NO NUT POLICY. This includes pack lunches onsite and during school trips.

Extension swimming

There will be no session on Friday 24th October. If your child has been selected for extension swimming, please can you make the payment as soon as possible.

Love in a Box

This year, we will once again be supporting a charity known as 'Love in a Box'. The charity collects shoeboxes filled with small gifts and delivers them to children in Eastern European countries who are from poor families or who are hospitalised or living in orphanages, and who would

not usually receive gifts for Christmas.

All you have to do is cover a shoe box with some bright paper or decorations and put in a mixture of basic things like toothbrushes, warm gloves, sponges or soaps and small gifts such as coloured pencils, skipping ropes, books or puzzles. If you feel that you are able to donate a box of small gifts (they need not be expensive), please return your 'Love in a Box' shoebox to the office by **Monday 7th November**. There is a leaflet in the children's' book bags, tear off the slip and return it with your filled shoebox indicating the age and gender you are wishing to donate to. The boxes should only be sealed with an elastic band as all contents in boxes are checked, for security reasons, before leaving the country. Thank you for your support and generosity in giving to this very worthy cause.

Key Stage 1 (Giraffe, Zebra & Elephant)

Giraffes

Monday 6th October collection time will be 13:15 as the children will be staying for lunch.

Orleans Gallery – 23rd October workshop in school

Library Visit – 11th December

Zebras

Orleans Gallery – 20th October workshop in school

Library Visit – 27th November

Elephants

Orleans Gallery – 23rd October workshop in school

Library Visit – 9th October

Science Museum - 20th October, the cost of this trip will be £3.50 per child, and will include a workshop. Please remember to pay either online or at the office.

Library Visit – 4th December

Key Stage 2 (Monkey, Crocodile, Rhino & Lion)

Monkeys

Orleans Gallery – 21st October. Parent and carers, if you are able to help with this trip, please sign up. The sheet will be on the class window from Monday 6th October.

Swimming Lessons- 20th October 13:00 to 14:00 - no swimming for Monkey Class. Please remember to pay either online or at the office.

Library Visit – 20th November

Christmas Panto - 11th December 2014 to see 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs'. The PTA are generously subsidising the trip with £4.00 per child – cost to parents is £8.00. Please make payment online or at the office. See attached letter for further details.

Crocodiles

Orleans Gallery – 21st October. Parent and carers, if you are able to help with this trip, please sign up. The sheet will be on the class window from Monday 6th October.

Library Visit – 16th October

Christmas Panto - 11th December 2014 to see 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs'. The PTA are generously subsidising the trip with £4.00 per child – cost to parents is £8.00. Please make payment online or at the office. See attached letter for further details.

Library Visit – 18th December

Rhinos

NPL Boys Football Tournament - 15th October - if your child has been selected there will be a letter in their book bag.

Orleans Gallery – 21st October. Parent and carers, if you are able to help with this trip, please sign up. The sheet will be on the class window from Monday 6th October.

Buddhapadipa Temple - 15th October 2014

Library Visit – 23rd October

Library Visit – 13th November

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Lions

NPL Boys Football Tournament - 15th October - if your child has been selected there will be a letter (hardcopy) in their book bag.

Orleans Gallery – 22nd October 10:00 to 12:00, parent helpers if you are able to help with this trip, please sign up. The sheets will be on the class window from Monday 6th October.

Secondary Schools Applications - need to be in by 31st October 2014.
Following the meeting on Tuesday evening, if anyone needs information

or support with Secondary Schools, please make an appointment to see Lisa.

Residential Visit Osmington Bay

Monday 18th May to Friday 22nd May 2015. The 3rd payment is now due. Please remember to pay either online or at the office.

Library Visit – 6th November

Christmas Panto - 11th December 2014 to see 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs'. The PTA are generously subsidising the trip with £4.00 per child – cost to parents is £8.00. Please make payment online or at the office. See attached letter for further details.

Key dates for your diary

Autumn 1 Term 2014

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| 9th October | Library Visit – Elephant Class |
| 15th October | Buddhapadipa Temple – Rhino Class |
| 15th October | NPL Boys Football Tournament |
| 16th October | Library Visit – Crocodile Class |
| 16th October | PTA Bangers, Bubbles & Beer evening |
| 20th October | No Swimming – Monkey Class |
| 20th October | Science Museum - Elephant Class |
| 20th October | Art Week 20th - 24th October (whole school) |
| 23rd October | Library Visit – Rhino Class |
| 24th October | No Extension Swimming |
| 27th – 31st October | Half Term |
| 6th November | Library Visit – Lion Class |
| 13th November | Library Visit – Rhino Class |
| 14th November | Individual school photos |
| 18th November | Parents Consultations 16:00 to 19:00 |
| 20th November | Parents Consultations 16:00 to 19:00 |
| 20th November | Library Visit – Monkey Class |
| 27th November | Library Visit – Zebra Class |
| 4th December | Library Visit - Elephant Class |
| 5th December | Kew Sparkle |
| 11th December | Panto – All of Key Stage 2 |
| 11th December | Library Visit - Giraffe Class |
| 12th December | PTA Christmas Fair |
| 18th December | Christmas Lunch |
| 18th December | Library Visit – Crocodile Class |
| 19th December | Term Ends |

❖ **Please check the school website for term dates, including INSET days**

| Slips to be returned/Attachments to bulletin | | | |
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| Whole School | Giraffe Class | Zebra Class | Elephant Class |
| Parents Consultations Governor's Update School Menu | | | |
| Monkey Class | Crocodile class | Rhino Class | Lion Class |
| Christmas Panto Letter | Christmas Panto Letter | Christmas Panto Letter | Christmas Panto Letter |

PTA News

26.09.2014

Kew Riverside School PTA AGM

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend last night's PTA AGM. Thanks, also, to those who sent their apologies.

There was a great turn out to celebrate the end of a fantastic fundraising year, and we discussed what we have funded so far, and what we would like to fund with the £10,000 pot. Please look out for the minutes, which will be circulated by your class reps.

I would like to say a huge, 'Thank you and well done!' to Catarina Lusk, Katie Rodney-Smith and Adele Howard who've been a driving force this past year and have also been integral in the organising of all manner of events. They have made my job hugely enjoyable and much easier due to their time, commitment and enthusiasm. Take a bow, ladies!

The former Chair, Co-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary have all stepped down, and the new nominated positions have now been filled by
Secretary - Anne Paris - Rhino Parent

Treasurer Catriona Ferguson - Giraffe Parent

Co Chair Jo Coulter - Giraffe and Elephant Parent

Co Chair after Christmas - Denise Long - Elephant Parent

Chair until Christmas - Adele Howard - Rhino Parent

Thank you to all of you for accepting these positions. I wish you the best of luck in your roles as the new 2014/2015 PTA.

After 3 years of being Chair of our PTA, I would like to say thank you to all of the parents, carers and staff members who have contributed, sold cakes, collected raffle prizes, been wet sponged, bought cards, bags and wrapping paper, who have helped in a small or big way to help raised over £20,000 during this time. There have been laughs, tears, and a few drinks along the

way, but plenty of smiles and friends have been made. Thank you for making me look good!

Fundraising Christmas/Holiday Cards Designed by Your Children, The Artists!

Please encourage your child to create a Christmas/Holiday themed A4 piece of artwork, which would form their Christmas card. The forms are in book bags on Friday 3rd October and they have all the information required, but please feel free to ask Adele if you have any questions. These were a huge success last year and the children were really proud of their cards. Some even created birthday cards too. Please make cheques payable to Kew Riverside School Community or KRSC.

We raise money from every pack of cards, gift tags and anything else that is ordered and paid for.

Designs, order forms and money to be handed in by Tuesday 20th October

Northbrook Wrapping Paper and Cards

Many of you ordered from this company last year, and loved the quality and designs of the Christmas products. The school receive a massive 22% of sale proceeds. Please take a look at the brochures in book bags last Friday. All orders and payment must be handed in to Lisa by Friday 7th November.

SAVE THE DATE

Bangers, Bubbles & Beer Night Thursday 16th October 7 - 9.30pm

We kick off the new school year of events and fundraising with an evening of sausages, vegetarian sausages, and drinks, welcoming new and old parents, carers, friends and staff. This is an adult event.

This fundraising event will include a gourmet banger in a bun, (vegetarian option available) and your first drink of sparkles, beer or soft drink.

Tickets will go on sale Thursday 9th October until Thursday 16th October am.

Ticket price will be £5

Easyfundraising - It is so easy. Several new parents to the school have signed up already!

Easy Fundraising - Sign up - Sign Up. We've raised £££'s with 20+ supporters. We could raise so much more!!

Don't wait, do it now! (please)

Get started now – <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/16AFGO/>

Search for Kew Riverside Primary School and sign up

Please sign up, and remember to use the website to then log onto your favourite websites. This is like a magic door to raise money for the school without trying. Once you have signed up and opened up an account, go to

M&S or GAP, Sainsburys, or many other retailers, via Easyfundraising, the money will keep rolling in.

It's soooooo easy.

Imagine what we can do by just by shopping, banking and paying our bills. It costs you absolutely nothing to do so and is pure easy profit for the school.

Please look out for class rep emails with the easy sign up link as well. This is open to **staff, parents, carers, grandparents, and friends**.

Over £5,000,000 (for all charities, not Kew Riverside, we wish!!) has been raised so far, so it really does work!

Class Cake Sales

We will be continuing with the class cake sales, and please note the rota below. All money raised will be used by each host class and their teacher for a treat, or towards something for the classroom. Throughout the school year each class will be given the opportunity to own and run a cake sale and use the money raised. (Class reps are to liaise with their teacher and the office to confirm dates)

We will keep you posted on what the classes use the money for.

- Autumn 1st half term Lions
- Autumn 2nd half term Rhinos
- Spring 1st half term Crocodiles
- Spring 2nd half term Monkey
- Summer 1st half term Elephant
- Summer 1st half term Zebra
- Summer 2nd half term Giraffe

Dates

Next PTA Meeting - Tuesday 7th October after drop off

Bangers, Bubbles & Beer evening - Thursday 16th October

Christmas Fair - Friday 12th December

Thanks for reading.

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Your PTA Chair 2013/2014