KEW RIVERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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BULLETIN

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Focus of the Week				
Key Dates coming up				
19 th February	Spelling Challenge Week – Whole School			
20th 21st February	Public Speaking – Rhino and Lion Class			
21st February	Blue Cross – Giraffe Class			
22 nd February	Head's Award Evening – Rhino and Lion children			
23 rd February	Cake Sale – Zebra Class			
28 th February	Neasden Temple – Lion Class			
1st March	No Home learning			
1st March	World Book Day – Slumber Evening			
7 th March	Maths Mastery Parent Workshop 7.00pm			
9 th March	Class Assembly – Monkey Class Parents welcome			
12 th to 16 th March	Science Week			
16 th March	Class Assembly – Crododiles Class Parents welcome			
16 th March	Family Bingo Night – PTA Event			
19 th March	Parent-teacher meetings 2.30pm – 5.00pm			
20 th March	Parent-teacher meetings 3.30pm – 7.00pm			

Golden Certificate Winners in Spr 2 Week 1

Giraffe Class – Arya Zebra Class – Iker Elephant Class – Sophie Monkey Class – Jonty Crocodile Class – Ann Rhino Class – Luke Lion Class – Ruben H



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to those of you that completed paper or online versions of the Vision Questionnaire. A pupil's version has now been set up on the website by the Junior Leadership Team and so please encourage your children to complete this. A full Vision report will be available by summer 1.

https://www.kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk/survey/?pid=239&form=24

Daniel Mcgee, Deputy Regional Manager of Fit4Sport visited us on Tuesday for a morning and evening meeting. Thank you to those who attended, including 3 governors. Fit4Sport listened to the concerns that parents have and I have been through the reasons why parents have withdrawn children over time from the provision. I am confident that they have made serious improvements and they agree that consistency is the key for Kew Riverside. I have asked for 3

definitive changes initially:

- None of the new staff to be taken for other sites
- If absent through sickness, the quality of any replacement will be a priority
- Regular, random compliance teams will visit for the first three months to check on provision

We also spoke at length about:

- The types of activities on offer
- The interaction of the staff
- The consistency between school and club. Fit4Sport will ensure that first name terms are being used at the club, that the school's behaviour policy is adhered to and that class rewards systems are considered.
- The full use of school resources is available (where appropriate)
- Food portions are an appropriate size and quality for snacks
- Communication between parents and club is improved

The three new, permanent staff members for Fit4Sport are **Emma (Site Manager)**, **Kevin and Ryan**.

Emma will meet with the JLT on Tuesday at 1pm to discuss how the provision can change for the better. Fit4Sport will also present an assembly to all the children as soon as possible.

If you are parents who would benefit from this childcare, can I ask that you give Fit4Sport another try. As ever, if you have any concerns, come and see me straight away.

We are within touching distance of starting the school garden area. Please encourage your children to enter the 'design a school field activity' competition. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, I will open the field gates at 8am to accept any donations that had been previously requested in the bulletin. A reminder:

- Tools (spades, shovels, forks, handforks, trowels, rakes, etc.
- Old wellies to fit 4, 5, 6 year olds.
- Wet suits or jump suits to fit 4 and 5 year olds. Also kagools, rain hats, ponchos (waterproofs)
- Wooden sleepers (treated)
- Half bags of compost or top soil
- Old tyres, bricks (not rubble please!)
- Plants, seeds, pots, tubs, planters, watering cans, canes, string, etc.

If anyone would like to volunteer to take an item of rubbish to the tip on the school's behalf (as they class school rubbish as commercial) that would also save up money on hiring a skip!

Thank you. Have a good weekend!

Darren

Governors.

A very important adjunct to the board of governors is The Clerk to The Governors. Unlike being a governor itself this is a fairly well paid job and one of

the great attractions is that you can do most of it at home in your own time. It consists mostly of helping the chairs of the various committees to prepare agendas, attending the committee meetings and minuting the procedures then writing up the minutes. Ideally the clerk has some legal experience and is able to advise the board on certain matters but there are courses a clerk can attend that help explain the role fully. This time too would be paid. At the moment we are without a clerk and although we have someone willing to help out for the time being this is making life difficult so if you know of anyone who might be interested in the role please ask them to apply.

John Grant, Chair of Governors.

Health Forms, some families have received Health forms 2 weeks ago - please can these be returned immediately. If these are not returned the School Nurse will need to contact you.

Car Park and Pedestrian Gate in Courtlands Avenue, Please remember that families are not allowed to enter or leave by the Courtlands Avenue exits.

No Home Learning 1st March

Sponsored Spell Reminder

Thank you for all the effort your children and you have made during the sponsored spell. You will receive a copy of your child's sponsored spell challenge today. It would be really helpful to continue to learn any words that were misspelt as this will really support the children's writing in class.

- 2nd March sponsorship money due
- Please could you provide the money in a sealed envelope with your child's name, class and the amount of money
- Your money can be handed to your child's class teacher or Lisa
- 5th March special spelling assembly

World Book Day is next week - Thursday, 1st March! World Book day during school hours:

- Please send your child in to school wearing a costume or mask related to their favourite book. Pyjamas can be worn too in preparation for the slumber party in the evening. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes.
 - If children have PE, they will still need to bring in their kits.
 - Your child will take part in a number of book related activities included a dance workshop linked to fantastic story books. Huge thanks to the PTA for fully funding this.
 - If you would like your child to take part in a book swap to permanently swap one of their books from home, please bring in a book on the day.
 - We will provide a special book inspired lunch menu on the day at the usual cost. Please see the attached menu.

Storytelling slumber party (5.30pm-6.45pm):

Children need to buy a (golden!) ticket for £1.50 per family. Tickets will be on sale after school on Friday 23rd February in the playground. The JLT will be collecting money and this will be sent to support the charity, Book Aid International.

- When buying tickets, please mention any allergies or intolerance to chocolate milk, milk, cookies or popcorn.
- Wearing nightwear or book day costumes, children and parents go to their classroom at 5.30pm (nightwear is optional!).
- If parents have children in different classes and key stages, please drop

- off your older children at their classes first and then go to your younger child's classroom
- 5.30-5.45pm parents and children go to classrooms where they will be provided with a small 'midnight feast' snack in class. Again, many thanks to the PTA for funding the snacks.
- 5.45-6.15pm Giraffes, zebras and elephants go to the hall for storytelling session
- 6.15pm Giraffes, Zebras and Elephants leave through the fire exit.
- 6.15-6.45pm Monkey, Crocs, Rhinos and Lions go to the hall for storytelling session
- 6.45pm end of session, leave through the hall fire exit

Important information

- Parents who have children in more than one key stage must stay in the hall for both storytelling sessions. KS2 children will be brought to their parents at 6.15pm.
- For everyone's safety and enjoyment, please remember that you are fully responsible for your child during the storytelling sessions in the hall and you need to stay with them at all times.
- Approximately 50 family tickets are available for each session. Tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis
- Only families who have bought tickets will be able to attend

Science Week is fast approaching and we will be having a fun filled week based on 'exploration and discovery' starting on **12th March**. More details about the exact activities your children will be taking part in will be announced nearer the time. For now, there are a few things that we would love your children to start collecting in order for us to carry out two of the planned tasks and competitions being led by myself and NPL.

For a school competition that will be held on the Friday we need lots of cardboard (boxes, tubes etc.). Please could you start collecting these rather than taking them to the tip and we will begin to take them in at school on the 1st March.

For the NPL experiment we need empty 2 litre plastic bottles that once contained fizzy drinks, ideally washed. We will take these in again from the 1st March.

Thank you so much for all your help, science week is already looking very exciting!

Parent-teacher Meetings

These will be held on Monday 19th March (2-5pm) and Tuesday 20th March (3.30-7pm). Booking will go live on SCOPAY at 9:00pm from 2nd March to 15th March at 9:00pm. If you have any issues please see Lisa in the office.

Mastery Maths Parent Workshop – 7th March at 7pm

Handwriting guidance

On the school's website there are some useful videos and information to demonstrate the four joins and break letters that we practise in school. Please see the Home learning section and then go to the 'Supporting writing at home' section.

Library Times

Monday 3.30-4pm Wednesday 3.30-4pm Friday 3.30-4pm

Children from all year groups are welcome to visit on any day. Children in Giraffes to Crocodiles must be accompanied by an adult; Rhinos and Lions can visit by themselves.

PTA

Family Chocolate Bingo...bingo with chocolate prizes! Friday March 16th 2018 5.00pm-7.15/7.30pm Please see below for more information.

May Fair – Friday 11 May WANTED: ENTHUSIASTIC MAY FAIR ORGANISERS – Is that you? Please see below for more information.

House Points









6513

5593

6176

Community Events

Crime prevention evening, please see attached leaflet.

Christ's School, please see the consultation outcome for admission 2019-20.

Key Stage 1 (Giraffe, Zebra & Elephant)

Giraffes

Zebras

Elephants

Shoebox Request, on Tuesday 6th March all the children will be making their own Rainforest environment as part of their topic lessons. Could the children each bring in a shoe box any size will do for their rainforest to be "built" inside? Please speak to Sarah if you have any questions.

Kew Gardens 7th March please see letter for more details and make payment online.

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

Monkeys

Swimming – Please remember to pay online.

Crocodiles

Rhinos

Lions

PGL June 2018 – This PGL trip will be after the May half term from Monday 4th June to 8th June. **Please note 4th June is an inset day, but will be the start of PGL.**

Key dates for your diary

12th to 16th March

Science Week

Class Assembly – Crododiles Class Parents welcome 16th March 16th March Family Bingo Night – PTA Event Parent-teacher meetings 2.30pm – 5.00pm 19th March Parent-teacher meetings 3.30pm – 7.00pm 20th March 21st March Singing Festival Class Assembly – Zebra Class Parents welcome 23rd March 26th March Children's Cimema Night – PTA Event Class Assembly – Elephant Class Parents welcome 29th March 29th March **Term Ends** 30th March - 13th April **Easter Holidays** 16th April School starts all children 27th April Class Assembly – Giraffe Class Parents welcome Spelling at Home – Parent Workshop 6.00 to 7.30 30th April 4th May Class Assembly – Rhino Class Parents welcome 7th May **Bank Holiday** 14th 17th June SATs Week 28th May - 1st June **Half Term** 4th June **Inset Day** 4th to 8th June PGL Osmington Bay – Lion Class 5th June School starts all children

5th June
11th to 15th June
26th June
26th June
20th July
School starts all childre
Phonic screening
Class photos
Term Ends

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

Library Times

Monday 08.30-08.50 and 3.30-4pm

Tuesday Closed

Wednesday 3.30-4pm

Thursday 3.30-4pm (until Christmas)

Friday 3.30-4pm

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Slips to be returned/Attachments to bulletin				
Whole School	Giraffe Class	Zebra Class	Elephant Class	
Parent leaflets				
Monkey Class	Crocodile Class	Rhino Class	Lion Class	

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Family Chocolate Bingo...bingo with chocolate prizes!

Friday March 16th 2018 5.00pm-7.15/7.30pm

Please come along and enjoy chocolate bingo. Pre ordered hot dogs can be purchased along with your entry ticket. We will be selling soft drinks, snacks, ice lollies and an adult bar will be open. Please bring a pen to mark off your numbers.

We will be collecting chocolate donations on Friday March 9th, please leave them in the box at reception... a good time to have a clear out of unopened in date Christmas and Valentine chocolates or you may simply want to donate a yummy chocolate prize.

Tickets will be on sale in the playground from Monday 12th March to Friday March 16th at drop off and pick up or until sold out. More information on tickets will follow.

This is a PTA event which relies on parent volunteers to help run the event, please sign up to the bar, set up and clean up rotas when posted.

Don't Keep Calm... Eat Chocolate Like There Is No Tomorrow!

May Fair – Friday 11 May

WANTED: ENTHUSIASTIC MAY FAIR ORGANISERS - Is that you?

The date is booked for Friday 11 May and The PTA Committee who are a bunch of friendly people would like some enthusiastic parents to step forward and organise the annual May Fair. No experience necessary just plenty of energy and drive, you will be fully supported by us and your Class Reps. The current Zebra class parents got together and organised the Christmas Fair and Halloween Disco which was supported by all our regular parent volunteers - all it takes is a couple of conversations to make it happen for our children.

Email <u>fionaattryde@hotmail.com</u> or you can catch one of the PTA Committee members in the playground – Fiona, Eram, and Mehnaz or speak with your Class Rep to express your interest, we would love to hear from you.

Let's make it happen.

KRPS PTA Committee

All parents and carers are automatically part of Kew Riverside's PTA and being involved in any way you can is a great way to meet new people and raise money for our fantastic school. We have regular meetings and are always planning the next event so if you can help in any way or have some great fundraising ideas then please talk to your class reps.

You can keep up to date on school news via the school's website http://www.kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk/ on twitter @KRPS2039 or our Facebook page which if you want to become a member of please search for us at "Kew Riverside Primary School PTA" and you'll be asked by admin to verify your child's name and class before you are approved.

Lots of great events happening throughout the year and we all look forward to seeing you and your families getting involved!				