

NEWSLETTER

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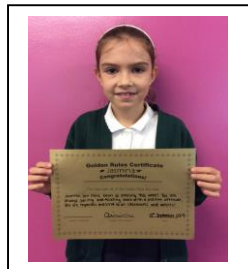
Focus of the Week: Listen and Show Respect

Key Dates coming up

Monday	16 th September	Rhinos 'Meet the Teacher' 6 – 7pm Lions 'Meet the Teacher' 6-7pm
Tuesday	17 th September	Monkeys 'Meet the Teacher' 6 – 7pm Crocodiles 'Meet the Teacher' 6 - 7pm
Wednesday	18 th September	Zebras 'Meet the Teacher' 6 – 7pm Elephants 'Meet the Teacher' 6 - 7pm
Wednesday	18 th September to 20 th September	Rhinos to Juniper Hall (Residential)
Friday	20 th September	Jeans for Genes Day (Jeans only <u>not</u> full-muffi)

Giraffe and Zebra

Golden Certificate Winners this week



Dear Parents and Carers

A lovely first full week back! A huge, warm welcome to all our new families.

The school are looking for at least one, but possibly two **new Parent Governors** to join the board. I have attached nomination forms with this newsletter. If you are interested in helping the school move forward and can commit to at least 8 evening meetings a year, please consider applying. We have a fantastic board already, comprised of many different backgrounds and skills, but with the shared aim of helping the school reach the very highest standards for the children. We will collect nominations in at the office over the next two weeks, closing on 27th September.

Please check the dates of your child's class **'Meet the Teacher'** Evening next week (see above).

Vacancies

We are currently looking for a full-time School Business Manager at the school to start as soon as possible. The advert is on the website *Eteach*. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in the position, please come and speak to me.

New Giraffe Class Tea & Tissues

Whether you are saying "Boohoo" or shouting "Woohoo", as you drop your child off for their first day of big school, we invite you to join us for tea, coffee, biscuits and a chat at 9am Friday 20th September in the School Hall. This is an ideal opportunity to meet other new parents and a few already at Kew Riverside.

KRPS PTA AGM

Please join us for the PTA AGM on 9.15am Friday 4 October in the School Community Room where we will present the accounts for the previous year and meet with the school leadership team to discuss their Wishlist for the year ahead. Coffee, tea and biscuits provided.

A Message from Rachel about MATHS DAY

This annual **Maths Day** will be on Friday 11th October. 'Tony the Maths Magician' will be returning to deliver his magical workshops for all the classes once again (kindly funded by the PTA). The day will also involve the children completing cross-curricular maths activities as well as competing to deliver a 'Take Over Maths' lesson for 15 minutes each; they will get an opportunity to become the class teacher (including outfit!) and teach a mathematical concept to the class. How to apply will go out with Homelearning on 3rd October.

Parents are invited to come and join in with some of the problem solving and reasoning activities going on in the classrooms. After feedback from last year's parent questionnaire, we will now be running both sessions in the morning- **EYFS and KS1 parents are welcome between 9.30 – 10.30 and KS2 parents between 11.00-12.00**. This will be a great opportunity to see some of the fantastic maths challenges we have going on at Kew Riverside. Tea and coffee will be served in the lobby beforehand. Please sign up with Lisa if you're interested. We look forward to seeing you then!

'Jeans for Genes' Day

We will be having a 'Jeans' mufti on Friday 20th September for 'Jeans for Genes' Day (Jeans trousers not full-mufti). There are around 6,000 genetic disorders. It is estimated that one in 25 children is affected by a genetic disorder. 30,000 babies and children are newly diagnosed in the UK each year. Please bring in a £1 donation for this wonderful charity.

World Mental Health Day

On Thursday 10th October we will be supporting World Mental Health Day by fundraising for *YoungMinds*. The theme this year is **#helloyellow** so we will be holding a mufti day. Please bring in £1 to support the charity.

Appeals for HELP!

Please can you look for any small action figures for our role play area at lunchtime. These can be any size from 'action man' size down to 'Star Wars' size.

Are there any carpenters out there who would come and talk to me about how to strengthen the window frames in the 'Wild Cabin' and 'Calm Den' Areas? Thank you.

Giraffe class are always on the look out for second hand resources. At the moment we are looking for any old baking trays or cake tins for our mud kitchen. We will also be starting woodwork soon so if anybody has access to a wood supply, please see Maisie. Thank you!

KRPS Secondhand Uniform Store Now Open!

As you may have seen from the recent activity on the newsfeed, we have been busy setting up the online KRPS Secondhand Uniform Store. And we are happy to tell you that we are now open and trading. To review items click Marketplace and to buy an item simply comment "sold" on the item you wish to purchase. We will then contact you and organise collection. Cash payment can be made upon collection. More items will be added as they come in (summer items will be loaded closer to when you need them next summer). We hope you find this useful.

Please ensure your child is wearing FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM every day. Kew hats for outdoor learning are now school uniform and are on sale at £5 each. Larger hats are now in stock.

Library Book Donations

Thank you to all of you who have kindly donated children's books for our wonderful library. The library is now bursting at the seams so we kindly request that there are no further book donations for the time being.

Communication

We have set up a small community noticeboard in the school lobby area. Please check this regularly for local events/information. We will of course continue to update community links on the website and share information through the newsletter and *Classlist*.

KRPS Recycling Program – Get on Board ♻️

KRPS is going even greener than our uniform and doing our bit for the environment! Please help us cut landfill by bringing to school the products and packaging listed in the attachment. Print a copy and add it to the fridge or near your kitchen bins and encourage your family, friends, workplaces and neighbours to get involved too. Every bit helps the environment and our school.

Please see attached for the comprehensive list of items which includes things like:

- ink & branded toner cartridges
- plastic carrier bags
- bread bags
- Pringles tubes and lids
- toothpaste, toothbrushes and packaging
- dishwasher tablet & cleaning packaging
- chocolate bar packaging
- biscuit packaging
- beauty product packaging

Music -A message from Holly

We will be celebrating BBC Music Day on Thursday September 26th. Parents are invited to join us at 2.45pm for a singalong. Orchestra practice this year will be every Wednesday lunchtime. The after-school choir is open to children in Year 2 and older. Please see after-school booklet for details.

Class Reps 2019/20

As we start the new school year we thought we would take this opportunity to say a big Welcome and Thank you to the new Class Reps. They are as follows:

- Giraffes - Larissa Sutton
- Zebras - Lianne Whyte
- Elephants - Madeleine Boot
- Monkeys - Jennifer Cropley
- Crocs – Keren Menashe
- Rhinos - Jasmine Jackson
- Lions – Aoife Lannon

The first Class Reps meeting will be at 9am on 17th October.

A reminder that Kew Riverside hats are now part of the uniform expectations and are available online via Scopy at £5 each.

School Meals

As mentioned in July, **the cost of School meals has** increased by 5p to £2.35. This is due to an increase cost from the provider.

Dinners for Autumn Term: **Key Stage 2**
Monkeys, Crocodiles, Rhinos and Lions

£84.60 – (1st half of term)

£70.50 – (2nd half of term)

Total: £155.10

PTA – A reminder

You are all members of the PTA once you join our fantastic school! The PTA do such amazing work every to support funding across a range of school projects. Again, we have a big year of events and fundraising planned so please sign-up to help in any capacity you can this year. Renata Barbosa (Monkey Class) is our new PTA Chair.

As an early date for your diaries, we are planning a **School Curriculum Evening** from 6 - 8pm on Thursday 24th October 2019. There will be a 30 minute talk in the hall explaining the changes we have made to children's targets, assessment and reporting following your valuable feedback over the last couple of years. We also want to take the chance to showcase how we teach aspects across the curriculum and showcase some of the other wonderful things going on in our school.

Have a great weekend!

Darren

This year, we are aiming to push standards in the school even higher. Please take some time to read the new **School Development Plan** for 2019-20 which sets out our three priorities. We also publish a **School Evaluation Form** with which we show how well we are doing and which areas we need to develop further. You can access this by clicking this link [SDP and SEF 2019-20](#)

Behaviour

I have re-attached two documents you may wish to refer to during the year. One is our behaviour flowchart which sets out the procedures we follow with children. Further details can be found by following this link: [Behaviour Policy](#)

Head's Award

For children in Crocodiles, Rhinos and Lions, the **Head's Award** is an effective way of building life skills alongside their academic achievements. The children generally work towards Bronze in Year 4, Silver in Year 5 and Gold and Platinum in Year 6. The success criteria is attached. This is an independent activity although children will be assisted in school. The awards evening for Year 5 and 6 only, will be confirmed at a later date.

Governors

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

Community Events

Please visit [this link](#) for all upcoming activities and more community events

Key Stage 1 (Giraffe, Zebra & Elephant)

Giraffes: Monday 23rd September - Giraffes 'Meet the Teacher' 6 – 7pm

Zebras: Weds 18th September - Zebras 'Meet the Teacher' 6 – 7pm

Elephants: Weds 18th September - Elephants 'Meet the Teacher' 6 - 7pm

All: 4th October – Flu vaccinations

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

Monkeys: Tuesday 17th September - Monkeys 'Meet the Teacher' 6 – 7pm

Please note that school dinners must be paid for in KS2.

Please can your child bring a healthy snack for break time.

Crocodiles: Tuesday 17th September - Crocodiles 'Meet the Teacher' 6 - 7pm

Rhinos Monday 16th September - Rhinos 'Meet the Teacher' 6 – 7pm

Juniper Hall 18th September to 20th September 2019

Lions Monday 16th September - Lions 'Meet the Teacher' 6-7pm

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