



# Kew Riverside News



Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

## Headteacher Highlights



It's been a busy week at Kew Riverside this week with lots of events taking place such as World Mental Health Day, Election Day for our Pupil Parliament, Football tournaments and of course plenty of fabulous learning across all areas of the curriculum. I have been delighted with the number of children who have come to my office to show me their amazing work and talk to me about their learning – keep up the excellent work Kew Riverside!

Willow Class have led the way by hosting their first class gallery for this half term based on the theme of Autumn. The rest of the classes will be hosting their galleries very soon, the dates and times can be found below – we look forward to seeing you all there!

Next week I am looking forward to interviewing some of the Year 6 children who have applied to be School Ambassadors and look forward to sharing the results in next week's newsletter.

## Golden Certificates

A huge well done to our Golden Certificate winners – thank you for championing our school values and showing excellent learning behaviour.

We are lucky to have such wonderful role models in our school.



# Hot Chocolate Friday

Congratulations to the children who went over and above last week and were nominated by the staff in their classes for a hot chocolate with Lesley. Thank you for being excellent role models and being the best that you can be. Keep it up!



## Hello Yellow Day

On Thursday, Kew Riverside was transformed into a sea of yellow as we all took part in Hello Yellow to mark World Mental Health Day. Everyone came into school wearing something yellow in support of Young Minds, the UK's leading charity fighting for a world where no young person feels alone with their mental health.

The children took part in lots of activities throughout the day which promoted the importance of their wellbeing and mental health. These included lots of physical activities such as yoga and dancing during lunchtime!

Thank you to everyone who made a donation to Young Minds and a special mention to Rhiannon and Jess who organised the day.



# Kew Riverside Pupil Parliament Election 2024

On Thursday Kew Riverside took to the polls and voted for their Pupil Parliament Ministers! Every class followed the signs to the newly set up Polling Station and after collecting their ballot paper, cast their votes before posting their papers into the ballot box.

We were thrilled with the number of candidates who applied this year and knew it was going to be a tough choice to decide who to vote for. Each candidate presented their letter of application to their class and outlined what made them the ideal candidate for this very prestigious job.

The votes have now been counted and verified and we are delighted to announce that Kew Riverside's Pupil Parliament Ministers for this academic year are as follows:

**Willow Class:** Leon and Lucia

**Cherry Class:** Antony and Lilah

**Maple Class:** Adnan and Catarina

**Ash Class:** Lily and Mark

**Oak Class:** Liam and Ransari



Huge congratulations to you all and well done to everyone who took the time to write a letter of application.



## Willow Class Gallery

On Thursday afternoon, Willow Class invited their parents and carer to their first class gallery at Kew Riverside. For their half term homework the children had been asked to make a collection of beautiful autumnal treasure to share with the rest of the class. This was part of their topic work on Changing Seasons.

As you can see from the photographs, Willow Class worked really hard to collecting some beautiful items as part of their homework – well done, we were all very impressed! A huge thank you to the parents and grandparents who came along to support.



## Guitar Lessons

On Wednesday, we were treated to a very special assembly led by our wonderful guitar teacher, Domenico Johnson from Richmond Music Trust. Domenico shared his knowledge about the guitar and played us quite a few familiar tunes!

Domenico comes in once a week to deliver guitar lessons to several children across Key Stage 2.

If you are interested in arranging lessons for your child please follow the link below for further information.

[Junior Strings - Richmond Music Trust](#)



### Guitar Lessons

**Are you interested in learning guitar?**

RMT Lessons are available at your school!

Lessons take place weekly in term time with an accomplished and enthusiastic Guitar Teacher.  
Perfect for children in Year 3 onwards!

**70% reduction in fees available for those in receipt of certain benefits**

For more information & to apply, go to:  
[www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk](http://www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk)



## Football Tournament

Our Year 3/4 football team took part in a tournament at Richmond & Kew FC yesterday and got all the way to the quarter finals! Kew played 3 group games, winning two and losing one meaning we made it to the next stage! After a hard-fought 2-2 draw in the quarter final we were knocked out after a penalty shoot-out.

The boys worked unbelievably well as a team and combined to score 8 goals overall. Well done boys and thank you to Jaydon and Anna for accompanying the boys to the tournament.



## To Infinity and Beyond...

In their Science lessons Oak class have been bringing Earth and Space to life by recreating the moon orbiting the Earth and the Earth orbiting the sun. They then recreated the whole solar system, including the asteroid belt!

Keep up the excellent work Oak Class.



## PTA NEWS



### Halloween Disco Party for the Whole Family

We are thrilled to invite all families to this year's **Halloween Disco Party!**

Children and adults are encouraged to come dressed in their favourite Halloween costumes, so get ready for a spooky and fun-filled evening for the entire family!

We look forward to celebrating with you!

#### Your PTA :)

Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce that the PTA will soon host its Annual General Meeting (AGM), to be held in the school hall for your convenience!

This is a great opportunity to hear about all the fantastic work the PTA has done to support our school community, as well as our plans for the year ahead. Your involvement and ideas are essential in shaping a vibrant school experience for our children!

More details about the meeting will follow soon!

Keep an eye on the School Newsletter and your class WhatsApp groups for updates.

We hope to see you there—together, we can make a difference!

Kind regards,

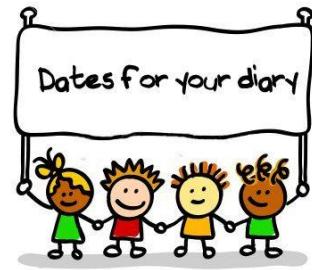
Caroline Gagliardi

Chair, Kew Riverside Primary School PTA



# Dates for the diary

- 14/10/24: Flu Immunisation  
23/10/24: Open Day for new reception parents  
24/10/24: History Workshops for Cherry, Maple, Ash and Oak  
5/11/24: Cherry Class trip to National Archives – The Great Fire of London  
14/11/24: Whole School Anti-Bullying Workshop  
15/11/24: Individual school photos  
27/11/24: Cherry Class Assembly – 2.45pm  
17/12/24: Whole School trip to Richmond Theatre  
(More details to follow)



## Autumn Term Parents Evenings:

- 19/11/24: 1.30 – 5pm  
21/11/24: 3.30 – 7pm  
**Booking goes live on 14/10/24 until 25/10/24**



## Gallery Days

We are really looking forward to our first set of gallery days for this academic year.  
Here is a reminder of the dates:

- Cherry:** Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 9am  
**Maple:** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 9am  
**Ash:** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 9am  
**Oak:** Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 9am



Please come along to see the children's projects and talk to them about their learning – it really does mean a lot to them!

## Safeguarding

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

### Key contacts:

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL):  
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