

## BULLETIN

20<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Issue 4

Focus of the Week	
Key Dates coming up	
20 <sup>th</sup> October	Halloween Disco 5-7pm
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Inset Day No Pupils</b>
31 <sup>st</sup> October	Closing date for Secondary School Applications
1 <sup>st</sup> November	Perform Workshop – Giraffe, Zebra, Elephant and Monkey Classes
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Swimming starts – Monkey Class
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Hearing Tests – Giraffe Class
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Reading Volunteer Meeting – 3.30pm
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent-teacher Consultations 2.00 to 5.00pm
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Drama Workshop – Rhino Class
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Windsor Castle – Elephant Class
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent-teacher Consultations 3.30 to 7.00pm
1 December	Kew Sparkle
8 December	School Christmas fair

### Message from Nell:

Our maths day, brilliantly organised by Rachel, was a resounding success, with Tony the Maths Magician wowing children and staff alike with his maths wizardry in a whole school assembly and class workshops. Throughout the school, the children who had been voted by their class mates to be maths teachers for the day, delivered fun-filled (not to mention challenging) lessons to their classes. Many thanks to the PTA for funding the day. And if that was not enough excitement, we are now gearing ourselves up for a 'spooktacular' Halloween disco tonight from 5-7pm. Hope to see you many of you there.

Wishing everyone a restful and well-earned break next week and see you again on Tuesday 31 October.

### Staffing news

We are pleased to report that we are expecting Darren to return to work after half term and, as would be expected after a period of extended sick leave, will be gradually building up to full-time over the first few weeks. We wish him all the best and thank everyone for their messages of support.

We would also like to welcome a new member of staff, Sharron, who will be a Learning Support Practitioner (LSP) in Years 2 and 5 (part-time).

Sadly, Kelly is leaving us today for pastures new. We would like to thank her for her hard work this term. In her place, we are pleased to announce that Emma will be returning as a booster/cover teacher after half term.

Last, but certainly not least, we wish Sarah and her husband-to-be, Olly, all the very best on their wedding day tomorrow. Fingers crossed for at least a glimpse of sunshine.

### **Parking**

We advise you to be vigilant in the car park and not to leave valuables in your car as there has been some suspicious activity recently reported to us.

Also, the gymnasium next door has advised us that cars parked illegally in their car park risk having the gates locked on them. Once again, please do not park there, even for a few minutes.

### **Governors.**

This half term has seen a number of changes to the governing body, the most notable of which has been the retirement of Sabina Mangosi as Chair of Governors. Sabina has been a great asset to the school with her business management skills but perhaps her crowning achievement was organising and taking part in the charity bike ride to Bruges which raised £10,000 for the school. Many thanks Sabina.

The new Chair of Governors is John Grant who was vice chair to Sabina and we have two new vice chairs, Keren Menashe and Graham Webber. We also have two new parent governors and we welcome Denise Long and Faisal Bachlani to the board. We all look forward to helping maintain and improve the fine standards the school has set itself.

**Parent Consultations** – Please remember to sign up online for your appointment with your class teacher. If you are unable to access the online system, please contact Lisa at the school office.

**Reading Volunteers** - Thank you to those of you who attended the brief reading volunteers training session. There is another chance to attend the training session with Laura on Wednesday 7th November at 3.30pm in Rhino class.

**Library Opening Times** - Thank you to those of you who are helping to run the library. Please see below for the new library opening times effective from Tuesday 31st October 2017.

Monday 08.30-08.50 and 3.30-4pm

Tuesday 3.30-4pm

Wednesday 3.30-4pm

Thursday closed

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.

**Fit For Sport** – Please see the attached for their news letter and events.

### Charity Events

**Remembrance Day** 11<sup>th</sup> November. Poppies will be available from Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October. The school will be doing a minute's silence on the 10<sup>th</sup> November at 11.00am.

**Children in Need** 17<sup>th</sup> November - this year's theme is to wear a funny wig or spray your hair a fun colour. Please remember to donate £1.00. Uniform must be worn.

**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 **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

### House Points



**473**



**259**



**508**



**673**

### Community Events

**Kew Gardens** -Here at Kew gardens we are trialling some new Family welcome cards with themes of trees and seeds so family groups will have the opportunity to do some fun self-led activities using our prompt cards.

To make sure they are suitable for different age groups we would like to invite families to come to Kew on

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October or Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 1pm to try out the cards.**

We will meet you at Victoria Gate just before **1pm** and set you off with the cards, after an hour you will be able to have some refreshments and take part in feedback for approximately 20 minutes.

These cards are aimed at families with children of **seven years upwards**.

**To take part in the trial and obtain free entry to Kew Gardens you must book with:** Julia Shelley, Family Learning coordinator, [j.shelley@kew.org](mailto:j.shelley@kew.org)

**Heatham House Skate Park launch**

On Friday 27 October 2 to 5pm, Heatham House will be holding a skate park launch.

Please bring your own skates, boards, bikes and scooters. Snacks and drinks provided.

Helmets must be worn at all times.

More information: [www.afcinfo.org.uk/young\\_people](http://www.afcinfo.org.uk/young_people)

**Seminar on Understanding Autism** – Please see the flyer and application form for more details.

**Kew Sparkle** – 1<sup>st</sup> December 5 - 8pm please see attached flyer.

**Village Planning Fund** – Please see attached leaflet.

**Draft Tolworth Area Plan consultation - 9 October-5 November 2017**

Kingston Council along with the Greater London Authority and Transport for London have jointly commissioned the development of a Tolworth Area Plan which sets out a vision to guide the future development of the Tolworth area.

They want to hear what local people think of this pathway for growth and prosperity and invite you to have your say. Please register with the online portal to take part in the public consultation:

[www.kingston.gov.uk/TAP](http://www.kingston.gov.uk/TAP) Consultation closes on 5 November 2017.

**Richmond fitness centres offer - Join now and pay nothing until the end of the year**

Offer is valid until 14 November 2017 and joining fee applies.

- 4 pools, 5 gyms and over 200 fitness classes
- Money back guarantees on all memberships
- Fully staffed state of the art gyms with qualified instruction
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- Regular instructor led abdominal training services

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[www.richmond.gov.uk/fgf\\_offers](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/fgf_offers)

Terms and conditions apply and cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer.

**October half term holiday activities from Richmond Arts Service**

Autumn Big Draw! Take part in this year's Big Draw and be inspired by

animation, autumn and Halloween. Work with professional artists and create artworks with a range of materials including animation, textiles and more!

You can also join us for a series of family workshops creating digital capes and Georgian Halloween crafts. There are activities for all ages from 0 to 15 including full day workshops, half day workshops and family events.

Book your places here: [www.richmond.gov.uk/holiday\\_activities](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/holiday_activities)

### **Children's Programme: Richmond Literature Festival 3-29 November**

Enjoy a fantastic range of family activities at Richmond Literature Festival this November.

We'll have David Baddiel introducing his new book Birthday Boy, interactive story time and fancy dress craft workshop with the creator of the Isadora Moon books, Chris Riddell with his latest Goth Girl book and stories, laughter and drawing activities with Future Ratboy author Jim Smith.

Tickets via [www.richmondliterature.com](http://www.richmondliterature.com), by telephone 020 8831 6494, or in person via the Orleans House Gallery Visitor Centre.

**Brentford FC Community Day** – Please see the attached flyer for more detail and buy tickets to see Brentford v Leeds.

### **Key Stage 1 (Giraffe, Zebra & Elephant)**

#### **Giraffes**

#### **KS1 Christmas Nativity - 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Please see the attached document for a full cast list of this year's Christmas Nativity 'A Present for the Baby'. There will be details of your child's part as well as costume ideas. Please come and speak to Sarah, Chris or Emily if you have any questions. Thank you.

**'Perform' (Drama 4 All)** - 1st November will be drama education workshop, in school. The theme is 'Under the Sea' and will enable the children to engage their theatrical imagination, with the support of the Perform team.

If you have any questions regarding this, please speak to your class teacher.

**Hearing Tests** – 7<sup>th</sup> November

#### **Zebras**

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**Florence Nightingale Museum** -20<sup>th</sup> November, please make payment and return your consent form. PTA funds have part supported this trip.

### Elephants

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**Windsor Castle** -14<sup>th</sup> November, please make payment and return your consent form. PTA funds have part supported this trip.

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

#### Monkeys

**'Perform' (Drama 4 All)** - 1st November will be drama education workshop, in school. The theme is 'Under the Sea' and will enable the children to engage their theatrical imagination, with the support of the Perform team.

If you have any questions regarding this, please speak to your class teacher.

**Swimming** – starts 6<sup>th</sup> November

**Museum of Richmond** –30<sup>th</sup> November,

#### Crocodiles

**Ufton Court** – 28<sup>th</sup> November - please make payment and return your consent form. It has been part supported by the PTA funds.

#### Rhinos

**Teach it through Drama Workshop** – 13<sup>th</sup> November,

#### Lions

**Closing Day for Secondary School Applications 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017**

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

**Transfer to secondary school 2018**

The leaflets below highlight key information relating to the secondary transfer process. Further detailed information can be found in the Admission to Richmond's secondary schools brochure which is available on the website.

[Richmond leaflet](#)   [Richmond brochure](#)

Please be aware of dates and timescales.

Leaflet and Brochure are attached.

**Key dates for your diary**

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Hearing Tests – Giraffe Class

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14<sup>th</sup> November

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17<sup>th</sup> November

Children in Need

17<sup>th</sup> November

Love in a Box - Last day

20<sup>th</sup> November

Florence Nightingale Museum – Zebra Class

28<sup>th</sup> November

Ufton Court – Crocodile Class

1<sup>st</sup> December

Kew Sparkle

8<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas fair

11<sup>th</sup> December

Nativity KS1 – 9:30am Dress Rehearsal (Grandparents and siblings)

12<sup>th</sup> December

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12<sup>th</sup> December

Panto – KS2

13<sup>th</sup> December

Panto – Giraffe Class

14<sup>th</sup> December

Nativity KS1 – 1:30pm

15<sup>th</sup> December

Panto – Zebra and Elephant Class

18<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Dinner

19<sup>th</sup> December

Barn Church – KS2 10:30am

**21<sup>st</sup> December****Term Ends****22<sup>nd</sup> December to****Christmas Holidays****2<sup>nd</sup> January****3<sup>rd</sup> January****Inset Day****4<sup>th</sup> January****School starts all children****12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February****Half Term****29<sup>th</sup> March****Term Ends****30<sup>th</sup> March – 13<sup>th</sup>****Easter Holidays****April****16<sup>th</sup> April****School starts all children****7<sup>th</sup> May****Bank Holiday****28<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June****Half Term****4<sup>th</sup> June****Inset Day**4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June

PGL Osmington Bay – Lion Class

**5<sup>th</sup> June****School starts all children****20<sup>th</sup> July****Term Ends**

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

**Slips to be returned/Attachments to bulletin**

<b>Whole School</b>	<b>Giraffe Class</b>	<b>Zebra Class</b>	<b>Elephant Class</b>
Village planning Understanding Autism Kew Sparkle Fit for Sport	Cast list and costumes	Cast list and costumes	Cast list and costumes

Monkey Class	Crocodile Class	Rhino Class	Lion Class

## PTA

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!