

# Weekly Newsletter

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**Focus of the Week:**  
Together we are strong

## Acting Headteacher's Message



Dear parents and carers

Welcome to the final term of the year! This week has been quite emotional, to say the least, for our KRPS family. Staff are now fully back in school and on Monday we had our first 'real' staff inset with the whole team (socially distanced in the hall) for many many weeks. As you know, the names of our new headteacher team have now been announced and the expertise and experience that they bring have been invaluable as we all find ourselves in such unfamiliar territory. Thankfully, the long-awaited return to school on Tuesday of many of our Lions, Zebras and Key Worker children has all gone according to plan thanks to all the hard work of staff and it has brought us all so much joy to see the children's smiling faces and enthusiasm as they've walked through the gates for the first time in what feels like an eternity. You've all clearly done a spectacular job at home – the children seem to have learnt new skills (including magic tricks!), widened their vocabulary and GROWN! We can't wait to see some of our Giraffes next week. Obviously there are many children who will be remaining at home for the foreseeable future as we await further DfE guidance. Rest assured that you are definitely not forgotten and staff will continue to check in with you, set home learning and post those videos that we know you love to see.

### "A Recovery Curriculum "

For the year groups that have returned to school (Year 6, 1 and next week Reception), it would be unwise (and actually impossible) for teachers to simply try to pick up the curriculum where it was left off at the beginning of school closure. Our focus right now is to take a holistic approach – listen to the children, give them time to rebuild relationships, help them to address worries, adapt to new routines, acknowledge the experiences (and possible losses) they have had and try to rebuild their confidence as happy, confident learners. To find out more about the concept of a 'recovery curriculum' please see [here](#).

### TerraCycle UK Competition Winner

Many congratulations to our fabulous PTA communications and recycling guru, Penny Lambert, who continues to fly the flag for our school and has won this week's TerraCycle #keeponrecycling global competition with her Star Wars inspired short film showing how she collects and sorts waste. You can see it on the KRPS community facebook page – see also her PTA updates below.

### What parents/carers need to know about schools re-opening

Government guidance continues to be regularly updated – please follow the link [here](#).

Have a great weekend  
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### Safeguarding

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

Role	Name	Contact Number	Email
Acting Headteacher / Designated Safeguarding Lead	Nell Webb	0208 487 8437	<a href="mailto:nellwebb@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk">nellwebb@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk</a>
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AfC Education Safeguarding Adviser	Linda Sheehan	07774686362	<a href="mailto:linda.sheehan@achievingforchildren.org.uk">linda.sheehan@achievingforchildren.org.uk</a>
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**Single Point of Access (SPA):** 020 8547 5008      **Out of Hours:** 020 8770 5000  
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[lado@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:lado@achievingforchildren.org.uk)

### PTA NEWS

#### Uniform Sale

For those of you returning to school if you need some Summer uniform items, please be sure to visit Classlist marketplace (<https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/listings/list/>).

#### Father's Day Gift Stall

Due to current situations we will running a stall online via Classlist for your children to purchase small gifts to give on Father's Day. If you would like to purchase a gift please advise what you would like and you can pick up from either North Richmond or Kew Riverside apartments. Costs of the gifts will range from £1 - £3.

#### Recycling Update

If your collection is as big as ours you will definitely be happy to have school up and running again so we can empty out the cupboard under the stairs of all the recycling!! As we will not have access to Office please feel free to put your recycling collection in the wheelie bin the carpark by the field but please try to sort it as best you can before adding to the bin.

#### Coin War

Counting has begun and we will keep you posted on the winning class and their prize!

**Follow Us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram**

With all the movements of children to other schools and overseas we need to get the word out about how great our school is and why people would want to join. So please like our pages @KewRiversidePS on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram, like our posts, comment (if you want) and help spread the good word.

### Easyfundraising

We just received £81 from easyfundraising for 74 people shopping online! That's over £3,000 collected so far. Keep up the good work! If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely FREE. 4,000 shops and sites will donate when you use @easyuk to shop with them. Sign up now at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/krps/?invite=4NMEB5](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/krps/?invite=4NMEB5)

### We Need You! Join the PTA

Our PTA has open positions for co-chair, co-treasurer and co-secretary. These roles are critical to ensure continued work and a smooth handover.

- ✓ The **Co-Chair** ensures the PTA is run effectively;
- ✓ The **Co-Treasurer** ensures accurate financial records are kept and best practice procedures are followed. He or she keeps the committee updated with regular reports, and ensure end of year reports are completed;
- ✓ The **Co-Secretary** supports the Chair to build effective communication links between the school and the association and maintains accurate records.

No prior experience is needed, just a desire to make a difference in the school community. There is an existent framework and documents created by previous committee members to support each role.

The work is much easier when you have more the one person in each role. You can share responsibilities and take shifts to attend meetings. Being on the committee is a great way to get to know how the school works and meet other parents. It is very rewarding to participate in school community and to know that all money raised benefits our children's experience at school.

If you would like to know more, please contact one of the committee members.

Sincerely

Your KRPS PTA Committee

Chair - Renata (Monkey Parent)

Secretary - Freddie (Giraffe/Elephant Parent)

Treasurer - Mehnaz (Monkey Parent)

Communication Officer - Penny (Zebra/Monkey Parent)

### Governors

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



