



Kew Riverside News



Friday 13th January 2023

Headteacher's Highlights

This week at school we have talked a lot about our school values and how we can champion them when we are both in and out of school. Kat did a special assembly about World Religion Day, which takes place on Sunday 15th January to celebrate all the different faiths in the world. The children discussed our value of inclusivity and how we should all respect other people's beliefs, we will be learning more about them during our whole school RE day later this month.



We have also been looking out for children showing kindness to both themselves and others. We were thrilled to catch these two members of Willow class helping each other while walking back to their classroom after lunch.



Next week we will be thinking about our value of resilience.

Golden Certificate Winners

Well done to the children and adults who received Golden Certificates in assembly last week. Thank you for making such a fantastic start to 2023!



Hot Chocolate Friday

These amazing children enjoyed a hot chocolate with Ardeep last week for going over and above. Congratulations and well done for championing our six school values.



Meet Our Staff Superheroes: Laura Crittenden

Hello Kew Riverside community. My name is Laura and I'm a Learning Support Practitioner in Cherry class. I have 3 boys; 2 of which are at Kew Riverside. We have a cat called Savannah who we rescued from the streets in the Middle East during our 6 years over there. When I have the time I enjoy skiing and tennis, and visits to the movies. I am blessed to be working alongside the brilliant teachers we have at our school and enjoy every day.

Thank you Laura for all that you do for our wonderful school!



Cherry Class Trip to Holly Lodge

Cherry Class had a wonderful morning at Holly Lodge Centre in Richmond park today. The children were split into three groups and each group had a different topic to explore. One group focussed on habitats, the second group looked at the impact of Winter of the trees and the third group investigated the different birds they could see.

"We got to look at different bird eggs! I really enjoyed myself!" said Matilda.

"I really liked it when we created a treasure hunt where we hid berries for the other children to find," explained Marton.

Thank you to all the staff and parents who helped to organise and support the children during the visit.



Kew Riverside Musicians

It has been wonderful to welcome staff from Richmond Music Trust this week. Elektra was in to deliver Composition Workshops to Maple, Elm and Oak class. Nadia in Oak Class said, "It was amazing to learn that we can make different types of music by using shapes!"

Elektra also delivered private piano lessons to four children in Elm and Oak class.

Dom, who previously came in to lead a special guitar assembly, returned this week to deliver group guitar lessons to all the children who have signed up.



If you are interested in signing up for your children to receive private music lesson please follow this link:

<https://www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/site/tuition/learn-with-us/apply-now/>

Attendance and Punctuality

The top three classes for attendance this week were:

- 1st: Elm Class: 96 %
- 2nd: Oak Class: 95%
- 3rd: Cherry Class: 93 %



This is a huge improvement on last week – Well done everybody!

Pupil Voice

Ardeep has been inundated with application letters for the role of Pupil Minister and School Ambassador. The deadline was today, so she will be reading through all the letters this weekend and announcing the short-listed candidates on Monday.

Good Luck to everyone who has applied!



Successful Open Day

On Wednesday we had our second Open Day which was another huge success. Thank you to our staff, Governors and pupils who helped to run the event and showcase our amazing school.



A reminder to parents that the deadline for Reception place applications is **Sunday 15th June.**

Uniform Donations

We would welcome any donations of uniform that your child has grown out of. We particularly need spares for our younger children aged 4 – 7 including socks, tights and trousers.

If you have any in good condition please can you hand it in to Lisa in the school office. Thank you.



Dates for the diary

NSPCC Number Day: 3rd February

Children's Mental Health Week: 6th February

Dress to Impress day: 8th February

PGL for Year 6: 15th – 19th May



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.

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