



# Kew Riverside News



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new school year at Kew Riverside Primary School. I hope you all had a relaxing summer break and are ready for an amazing term ahead.

It has been wonderful to see the children return to school with enthusiasm and positivity. I have been really impressed with how quickly they have settled back in to school routines and embrace the changes that come with starting a new academic year. We have been discussing our school values in assemblies this week and have focussed on how a smile is the universal language of kindness.

We have many exciting plans for the year ahead, which I look forward to sharing with you in the coming weeks.



Just a reminder about our classes and staff structure for this academic year:



### **WILLOW CLASS**

Reception/Year 1  
Lisa Melessaccio  
Dilek Devletoglu



### **CHERRY CLASS**

Year 1/Year 2  
Rhiannon Clarke  
Laura Crittenden  
Sumaya Nazer



### **MAPLE CLASS**

Year 3/Year 4  
Jo Ward  
Lauren Rowe



### **ASH CLASS**

Year 5/Year 6  
Will Reber  
Christina Iliopoulou  
Jessica Tuckey



### **OAK CLASS**

Year 5/Year 6  
Jaydon harper  
Vanya Nikolova  
Jessica Tuckey

## Welcome to new staff members and families

A very warm welcome to all the new families who have joined us at Kew Riverside. We are really looking forward to having our new Reception children start next week after a successful week of home visits by Lisa and Dilek. I would also like to officially welcome our new staff members, who I am sure you will get to know very well during the course of the year.



**Rhiannon Clarke** : Cherry Class teacher

**Lauren Rowe**: Learning Support Assistant in Maple Class

# Uniform Champions

We expect all of our pupils to wear the correct school uniform as it promotes a sense of pride in our school and also gives pupils a sense of belonging. It has therefore been wonderful to see our pupils return to school looking super smart in their new school uniforms. Please see our school website for our updated school uniform or come and speak to Lisa in the school office.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Kew Riverside Primary School

COME AND JOIN US!

CAN YOU SUPPORT KEW RIVERSIDE?

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP AT OUR WONDERFUL SCHOOL.

WHAT CAN YOU OFFER?

- Support children reading 1:1
- Support children progress in their phonics.
- Help at lunchtime and play games/sports with the children.
- Help at lunchtime in the dinner hall, supporting their mealtime.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP PLEASE EMAIL LISA IN THE OFFICE TO LET US KNOW.

## WILLOW CLASS WISHLIST

We would be really grateful if you have any of the following that you are able to donate to Willow Class.

- Dressing Up clothes
- Pretend Kitchen toys – cups, plates, cutlery etc.
- Pretend Kitchen equipment – kettles, mixers, toasters etc.
- An iron



Thank you!

## Polite Reminders



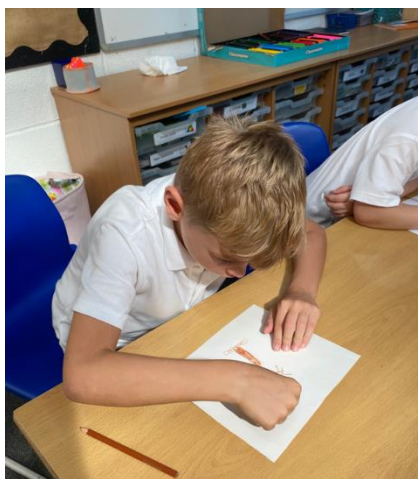
- Year 6 children who are allowed mobile phones must switch them off at the gate before they enter the school grounds. Phones remain off until the end of the school day when children leave the school site.
- Once children are dismissed at the end of the day, they must be overseen by the adult collecting them to ensure that they are safe.
- To keep everyone safe on the playground please can we ensure that children do not ride their bikes and scooters on the playground at drop off and pick up.



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION**



# A FANTASTIC FIRST WEEK BACK



# Reception Parents Workshop



## Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

### Reception parent workshop: Supporting your child's wellbeing as they start school

This online workshop is aimed at parents of Reception children who would like to receive some support with helping their children as they start school, and will be delivered by Eleni Tontikidou (Emotional Wellbeing Practitioner) and Emily Rothon (Clinical Lead/Dramatherapist). The workshop will include guidance on how to support your child's emotional wellbeing through practical, creative tools, and offer support for parents on managing this important milestone.

The Mental Health Support Team will be delivering this online workshop on **Friday 15th September at 10-11am**. If you would like to attend this workshop, please book your ticket using the Google Form link below:

[MHST workshop sign up form 15/9/23](#)

You will then be emailed a Google Meet invite with instructions on how to join. Please note that this event is space limited therefore please register as soon as possible should you want to guarantee yourself a place

## PE Days

To maximise on learning time, we have decided to continue with children coming into school dressed in their PE kits on PE days. The class PE days are as follows:

Willow: Monday

Cherry: Tuesday & Friday

Maple: Monday & Thursday

Ash : Monday (Swimming) & Friday

Oak: Monday (Swimming) & Friday



## Meet The Teacher

Our Meet the Teacher meetings will take place at the following times:

**Willow:** Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30pm

**Cherry:** Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 4.30pm

**Maple:** Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 5.00pm

**Elm & Oak (Joint):** Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 5.00pm

This will be an opportunity to find out more about the year ahead in each individual class including information about the curriculum, homework, reading expectations etc.

## Dates for the diary

11/09/23: Swimming starts for Ash and Oak

22/09/23: Jeans for Genes Day

27/09/23 – 29/09/23: Year 5 trip to Juniper Hall



## Attendance and Punctuality

This year our whole school attendance target is at least 96% - we know that children who have between 96-100% attendance at school are the happiest and most successful learners; we are grateful to all our parents and carers who are committed to supporting their children in this. Each week in assembly we share the classes with the best attendance.

The top classes for attendance this week were:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Oak Class: 97%**
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Willow Class: 94%**
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: Cherry Class: 88%**



Well done to Oak Class for having no lates this week.

## 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):

Ardeep Viridi 020 8487 8437

[avirdi@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:avirdi@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk)

Chair of Governors:

Michelle Green 020 8487 8437

[mgreen@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:mgreen@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk)

Single Point of Access (SPA):

020 8547 5008 Out of hours: 020 8770 5000

Local Authority Designated Officer:

020 8891 7370/ 07774 332675

[lado@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:lado@achievingforchildren.org.uk)

