



Kew Riverside News



Friday 1st March 2024

Headteacher Highlights

This week we have welcomed the lighter mornings as we head towards Spring and hopefully some drier weather! All the classes have started their History topics and I have really enjoyed hearing the children share their knowledge on various topics including Ancient Egypt and Castles.

Next week we are looking forward to World Book Day on Thursday; the staff have been busy getting lots of exciting activities prepared, which include a special Reading Café! There is also the opportunity for all families to attend a virtual meeting with our Mental Health Support Team on Tuesday – more details including the registration form can be found below.

Please see the attached letter from Transport for London informing the local community of plans to reduce the speed limit on the A205.



Golden Certificates

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



Hot Chocolate Friday

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



Cherry Class Trip to Kew Gardens

Cherry class had an amazing time at Kew Gardens on Tuesday taking on the role of 'Plant Hunters'. They searched the grounds for various parts of plants including: flowers, roots, stems, blossom and bark. Cherries consolidated their learning about evergreen and deciduous trees and blew the teacher away with their knowledge of different tree names!! The Plant Hunters also used paper and crayons to see the similarities and differences between various tree bark.

Finally, Cherries had the chance to explore the Palm House; they loved applying their knowledge of continents to the many plants we saw.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this trip possible – the children had a wonderful time!



Rugby Superstar

A huge well done to our Year 6 rugby star from Ash Class who took part in the St David's Day Rugby tournament last weekend as part of the London Scottish team. London Scottish did really well throughout the day, winning or drawing many of their games. Our star has played for the team for two years and really enjoys his time with the friendly community at London Scottish who have supported him in becoming an excellent rugby player. Everyone at Kew Riverside is super proud of all his achievements! Keep up the great work!



Find out more about the team by visiting their website: [London Scottish Rugby | Official Website](https://www.london-scottish-rugby.co.uk/)

PTA NEWS

PTA will be running a *Mother's Day stall* on Thursday, 7th of March, where children can buy small gifts for someone special. In the past parents have donated small gifts for us to sell. Any donations such as chocolates, sweets, bubble baths, face masks etc would be much appreciated, for children to buy as gifts.

All funds go to the PTA, and therefore your children benefit!!

Please leave donations with class teachers or Lisa in the office by **TUESDAY 5TH OF MARCH**.

Thank you, Your PTA :)



Attendance and Punctuality

The top three classes for attendance this week were:

- 1st: Oak Class: 96.5%
- 2nd: Ash Class: 95.4%
- 3rd: Maple Class: 92.5%



WEAR RED FOR COMIC RELIEF!

Parents Virtual Coffee Afternoon with MHST

Coffee afternoon

Supporting children's wellbeing

The Mental Health Support Team is part of Achieving for Children, working within schools in the borough, to support children, young people, parents and staff.

Our coffee mornings and afternoons are an informal opportunity to meet with other parents, learn more about the Mental Health Support Team and discuss common themes surrounding wellbeing.

This coffee afternoon will be run online by Isabelle Neumand and Eleni Tontikidou, Education Wellbeing Practitioners.

We hope you can join us!

Introduction to the Mental Health Team and five steps to wellbeing
 Date: 05/03/2024
 Time: 1:30-2:30pm

Location: online on google meet - [follow this link](#)

This is a locality coffee afternoon which is available for parents of the following schools: Kew Riverside, Lowther, East Sheen, Sheen Mount, Barnes, Kings, Thompson House, Wyndham Nursery, St Mary Mags, St Osmunds

achieving for children

Are you OK Richmond?

Registration document link:

<https://forms.gle/NikvwHTE1t2sHbvK9>

Google Meet link:

<https://meet.google.com/vyr-kjhb-ztb>

Dates for the diary

5/3/24 – SATS meeting for Year 6 parents 9-9.30am

7/3/24 – World Book Day

7/3/24 – Mother's Day Stall after school

8/3/24 – Mother's Day Breakfast

12/3/24 – Year 6 Junior Citizenship Trip

13/3/24 – Year 1 Phonics Parents Workshop 9-9.30am

14/3/24 – Maple Class trip to St Luke's Church

15/3/23 – **Red Nose Day!**

19 & 21/3/24 – Parents Evenings – appointments go live on Friday 1st March at 6pm.

21/3/24 – Polka Dot Theatre Trip for Willow Class

Last day of term – 28/3/24 2pm finish

NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Term dates for **2024 – 2025** are now on our school website.

Please ensure that family holidays are booked during school holidays. Term time holidays will not be authorised and could result in fixed penalty notices being issued as per our attendance policy.

Thank you for your support.



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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- Chair of Governors:

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- Single Point of Access (SPA):

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- Local Authority Designated Officer:

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