



Kew Riverside News



Friday 9th January 2026

Headteacher Highlights

Happy New Year to the Kew Riverside School community!

I hope you all had a wonderful festive break and I wish you every success and happiness for 2026.

We have had a fantastic first week of the Spring Term. The children have returned full of enthusiasm for learning, and it has been a joy to see the fabulous learning taking place across the school.

This week we have also welcomed several of our school governors and held our final Open Morning, showing prospective parents around our school. All of our Open Days have been very well attended, and I would like to extend a special thank you to the group of children who supported these events with presentations and tours. They were outstanding ambassadors and real advocates for Kew Riverside School.



Golden Certificates

A huge well done to our Golden Certificate winners from the week before Christmas. Thank you for championing our school values and showing excellent learning behaviour. We are lucky to have such wonderful role models in our school.



Hot Chocolate Friday

Congratulations to the children who went over and above the week before Christmas and were nominated by the staff in their classes for a hot chocolate with Ardeep. Thank you for being the best that you can be. Keep it up!



Resources and support from our Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

Please see attached PDF outlining support available from MHST for parents and carers.

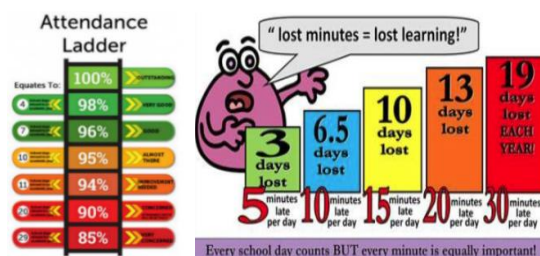


Attendance and Punctuality

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

Our top three classes for attendance the week before half term were:

- 1st Place: Oak Class – 97%**
- 2nd Place: Ash Class – 95.5%**
- 3rd Place: Willow Class - 91%**



Dates for the diary

- 14/1/26: Individual School Photos
- 16/1/26: Oak Class trip to Holly Lodge (Letters to follow)
- 21/1/26: Drama Workshop for Willow and Cherry Class
- 29/1/26: Ash Class trip to Holly Lodge (Letters to follow)

16th – 20th February: Half Term

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 Keeping Children Safe 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:

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