



Kew Riverside News



Friday 8th May 2026

Headteacher Highlights

It may have been a short week after the Bank Holiday weekend, but it has certainly been a packed one here at Kew Riverside! Ash Class enjoyed their trip to the London Zoo on Tuesday, and we ended the week by holding our very own Eco Day in honour of Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday. All of the classes have been working hard to complete their History topics this week before moving on to their RE blocks next week.

Next week, we would like to wish our Year 6 pupils the very best of luck with their SATs tests. They have worked incredibly hard, and we are already so proud of them. Cherry Class will be off to explore the Science Museum, and we will also be holding auditions for the Q Factor, which takes place on Monday 18th May.

Golden Certificates

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



Good Luck Year 6

Next week, our Year 6 children will be taking their SATs. All of the children have worked incredibly hard, and we are extremely proud of them and everything they have already achieved.

Throughout the year, they have shown determination, resilience, and a positive attitude towards their learning. We know how much effort they have put into preparing for these assessments, and they should all feel very proud of themselves.



Remember to believe in yourself, stay positive, and simply try your very best. We have every confidence in you — good luck, Year 6!

Ash Class at London Zoo

On Tuesday, Ash Class enjoyed an exciting trip to the London Zoo! The children had a fantastic day exploring the zoo and discovering a wide variety of animals from around the world. As they moved through the different enclosures, their excitement grew with every new species they encountered, making the visit both memorable and educational.

This was a long-awaited trip, having been postponed from the Autumn Term, and it certainly proved worth the wait. It sounds as though both the children and adults had a wonderful day. Thank you to everyone who helped make this special experience possible.



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 last week were:

1st Place: Ash Class – 94.3%

2nd Place: Willow Class – 93.6%

3rd Place: Oak Class – 93%

Attendance Matters



Happy 100th Birthday to Sir David Attenborough!

In honour of Sir David Attenborough's birthday, the whole of Kew Riverside has been taking part in a special ECO Day to help care for our planet and protect local wildlife.

Across the school, children have been creating "green corridors" by planting wildflowers and sunflowers around our grounds. These beautiful plants will help encourage pollinating insects such as bees and butterflies, while also bringing more nature back into our school surroundings.

The children learned how important pollinators are for our environment and discussed simple ways we can all help protect wildlife and reduce harm to our planet. From planting flowers to caring for green spaces, every small action can make a big difference.

As Sir David Attenborough reminds us, we only have one planet, and it is up to all of us to do everything we can to protect the life that lives here.

We are very proud of the enthusiasm, teamwork and care shown by all of our pupils during this special day.



Kew's fundraiser for World Land Trust

A fundraiser organised by Kew Riverside Primary School for World Land Trust

World Land Trust (WLT) protects the world's most biologically significant and threatened habitats. Through a network of 52 partners around the world, WLT funds the creation of reserves and provides permanent protection for habitats and wildlife. Partnerships are developed with established and highly respected local organisations who engage support



Help us reach our £175 target!

Make a donation with **JustGiving**

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Design and build a Lego community

Redesign Richmond upon Thames this half term!

Do you think Richmond should have a theme park? A zoo? A space shuttle?

This half term we are inviting all budding architects, archivists and, most importantly, fans of Lego, to join us in re-imagining a Richmond for the future.

- **Date:** Friday 29 May 2026
- **Time:** 10.30am to 12.00pm
- **Location:** Twickenham Library
- **Price:** Free event, no booking required.



Suitable for ages 7-10. Children must be supervised.

Parking on Courtlands Avenue

Thank you for your continued support in helping to keep our school community and neighbourhood safe and respectful for everyone.



As the weather starts to get warmer please can all children come to school with a suitable hat to wear outside during break times, lunch times and any outdoor learning.

Thank you.

Dates for the diary

11/5/26: Year 6 SATS Week

14/5/26: Cherry Class trip to Science Museum

18/5/26: Q Factor

19/5/26: Small Schools Football Tournament for Year 4

Class Galleries:

Willow: 19/5/26

Cherry: 21/5/26

Ash: 20/5/26

Oak: 21/6/26

W/B 25/5/26: Half Term

1/6/26: INSET DAY

2/6/26: Children return to school

17/6/26: Sports Day (AM)



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.

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