



Kew Riverside News



Friday 15th May 2026

Headteacher Highlights

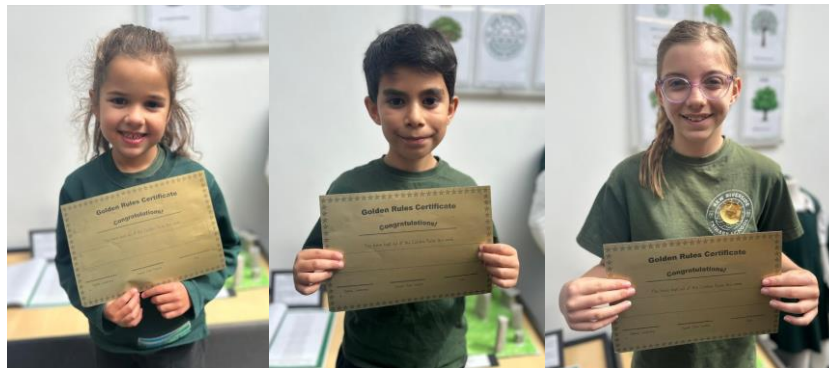
After months of preparation and hard work, our wonderful Year 6 pupils completed their SATs tests this week in grammar, reading and maths. Their determination and positivity throughout the week have been wonderful to see, and we are incredibly proud of them all.

Cherry Class also enjoyed an exciting visit to the Science Museum to fuel their curiosity and wonder about the world around them. They focused particularly on space but also made the most of exploring the museum's other fascinating exhibitions.

Next week is the final week of this half term, and we are very much looking forward to The Q Factor — our annual talent show, where pupils from across the school showcase their hidden talents. Auditions have been taking place this week, and I cannot wait to find out who has made it through to the live shows!

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.



Hot Chocolate Friday

Congratulations to the children who went above and beyond for the last two weeks. They were nominated by their class staff to enjoy a special hot chocolate with Ardeep.

Thank you for being the best that you can be. Keep it up!



Well Done Year 6!

A huge well done to our incredible Year 6 children for completing their SATs this week. We were all so impressed by their focus, determination and positive attitude as they tackled six separate tests over four days. We know that each and every one of you did your very best, and we are extremely proud of all the hard work you have put in throughout the year.

In true Kew tradition, Year 6 celebrated after the final paper yesterday by conga-ing through the school corridors while chanting, "We have done the SATs!"

Thank you to all the parents and carers for their ongoing support, and a special thank you to the Oak Class team for preparing the children so well.



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 – 95%

2nd Place: Willow Class – 93.6%

3rd Place: Oak Class – 90%

Attendance Matters



Cherry Class At The Science Museum

On Thursday, Cherry class had an exciting trip to the Science Museum, where they enjoyed a fantastic day of discovery.

In the Space Gallery, the children were fascinated to learn about rockets, satellites, astronauts, and the history of space travel. They made excellent connections to their History learning about explorers, discussing how astronauts are modern-day explorers who travel beyond Earth to discover new places. The children loved seeing real space objects and learning about the incredible journeys humans have made into space.

Cherry Class also visited the *Making the Modern World* exhibition, where the children were fascinated by inventions and technology from the past and present. Another highlight was the interactive technician exhibit, where everyone enjoyed investigating, building, and solving problems through hands-on activities.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this trip possible – your help and support is much appreciated.



Year 4 Musicians

Our Year 4 pupils have been working with teachers from Richmond Music Trust to learn how to play a variety of brass instruments. The children are taking part in an eight-week programme, giving them the opportunity to experience learning an instrument as part of the Year 4 music curriculum.

Once the programme is complete, the children will be preparing a short concert for their parents and carers towards the end of June. We are very much looking forward to seeing the progress they have made and celebrating their musical achievements.



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

18/5/26: Q Factor

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

W/B 25/5/26: Half Term

1/6/26: INSET DAY

2/6/26: Children return to school

2-5/6/26: Year 6 Residential to Isle of Wight

10/6/26: Perform Drama Workshop for KS1

11/6/26: Tour of London trip for Willow Class (Letter to follow)

16/6/26: London Schools Literacy Festival for Willow and Cherry Class (Letter to follow)

17/6/26: Sports Day (AM)

18/6/26: Kew Gardens Trip for Willow Class (Letter to follow)

19/6/26: Year 2 Scooter Training (Letter to follow)

22-24/6/26: Year 3 Walking Scheme (Letter to follow)

Class Galleries



Please come along to support our pupils as they showcase their half term homework projects.

Willow: 19/5/26

Cherry: 21/5/26

Ash: 20/5/26

Oak: 21/6/26

All galleries will start at 9am

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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