



This term's value is: Courage

Congratulations to our half-term Headteacher Award Winners:

Anya Higginson, Owen Kewley, George Morris, Jack Mccloughlin, Leland Armstrong, Eloise Whitwood, Tobey Percival.

Mother's Day Gift Shop: The Friends of Rivington Foundation Primary will once again be running the Mother's Day Gift Shop in the TreeHouse on Friday 29th March 2019 from 11am to 1:30pm. Children

are invited to bring £3 into school to buy a gift for their Mum/Grandma etc. All funds raised will be put towards improving the junior toilets and EYFS classroom floor.

World Book Day: To celebrate World Book Day 2019 on Thursday 7th March, we will be inviting pupils and staff to dress up as a character from a book. Check out the World Book Day website for ideas:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up/>

<https://www.worldbookday.com/ideas/dressing-up-gallery/>

Keep an eye on Twitter this week to see what we are getting up to!

Online Safety: I have sent out the information again which was sent out on Wednesday. Quite a number of children in KS2 say they have seen the images involved and have even been playing a game when the image has come up. This is very concerning and we have discussed it with the children. Please make sure that you are having regular chats with your children about their on-line activities and what to do if they see something that they do not like. Again, the letter attached provides links to really sound advice and support regarding this issue and many more.

**** Additional Year 6 booster ****

Mrs Cliffe will be running an extra SATs booster on Tuesday after school until 4. All of Year 6 invited! Starting Tuesday 26th February

Year 6 Bike-ability: Y6 cycling proficiency will take place on Thursday 14th and Friday 15th of March. Further details will follow.

Rugs and Cushions: We would like donations of rugs and cushions that can be used on the playground during break times. If have any to donate please bare us in mind. Thank you!

Non-uniform Days: There will be two non-uniform days on **Thursday 28th March and Wednesday 3rd April.** Children are asked to bring in an Easter Egg in return for



wearing non-uniform. These will be used to raise money at the Easter Bingo for further improvements in school.

Easter Bingo: This will take place on Thursday 4th April in the Church Hall. Further details to follow.

SATS Meeting: There will be a meeting for Y6 and Y2 parents' regarding SATs on Tuesday 2nd April. Further details to follow.

New dates for your diary have been added to the school website:

To upload them directly to your calendar, follow these simple steps:

Copy and Paste this address into your browser (it will not work if you click on the link through Facebook)

<https://www.rivingtonprimaryschool.co.uk/events/>

Scroll down to +export events and click on that

Full list will appear, click on "add all" in the top right hand corner.

Then click done.

Duathlon: Tony Hesketh from the Horwich Harriers contacted School to ask for participants in the annual Rivington Duathlon. It is on the 25th May and in aid of the Christie Hospital, to enter please contact Tony Hesketh on 07552657789.

Class Assembly Dates: 29th March Y1/2, 5th July Rec.

Appointments to see teachers: Although we operate an 'open door policy', we hope you can appreciate that it may not always be possible to see parents without notice. In the morning teachers are usually making preparations for the day ahead and after school may be involved in meetings or afterschool activities. If you need to see your child's teacher, please arrange an appointment before or after school to ensure they are available to see you and can give you the time and privacy you require. Messages can also be passed to teachers via the school office to be passed to class teachers and don't forget we can be contacted by email.

Contacting school – bursar@rivington.lancs.sch.uk or head@rivington.lancs.sch.uk

Holiday Leave: Please note our policy on the Leave of Absence. In line with Government instructions, we can no longer authorise Holiday Leave as a matter of course. Government are placing great pressure on schools not to authorise holidays during term times. Both I and the governors do want to work with parents. We will look at holiday requests which fall into exceptional circumstances and where attendance is above 97.5%. Please read the attendance policy on the website before submitting an application.

Suggestion Box: We now have a suggestion box in the reception area just outside the school office. We welcome your suggestions and comments.

Clubs and Activities: If you would like your child to learn to play the piano, flute, guitar or ukulele please see Ms Redmayne in the office.



Free School Meals: All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 automatically qualify for Universal free school meals. However children in the infants and the juniors may qualify for free school meals because you are in receipt of certain benefits, in which case you need to register your eligibility. If you are eligible your child could qualify for Pupil Premium funding from the Government which will come into school to improve pupil attainment or provide additional opportunities. If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Parent Pay: Please can you ensure that parent pay accounts are up-to-date.

We hope that you had a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Annette and all the Rivington Staff