

OUR FOCUS VALUE THIS TERM IS COURAGE:



Congratulations to this week's 'Seven Wonders':



Rliey Shore, Louis Ball, Amelia Davies, Jessica Snape and George Kewley.

Writers of the Week: Oscar Pickering, Franklin Tetley-Clarke, Charlie Dagnall, Jack McLaughlin, Erin Freeman and Naomi Hilton.

Bronze award winners: Oscar Pickering, Eloise Whitwood, Naomi Hilton, Jack Ford, Esme-Rose Bolger.

SATs: As you know in the year 6 and Year 2 children will be taking their National Curriculum Assessments (also known as SATs) this month. These assessments will be for Maths and English.

In the KS2 Maths, there are 3 papers. Paper 1 is an arithmetic paper, which is very similar to those the children are working on. Papers 2 and 3 are reasoning papers where the children will need to solve problems.

In English, there is an English reading test and an English grammar, punctuation and spelling test.

The assessments are sent off for external marking whereas the writing is judged on the work they have produced throughout the year in their theme books.

KS2 SATs week begins on Monday 13th May 2019 this year and there will be assessments on each day of that week excluding Friday. The timetable is as follows:

Monday 13 th May 2019 – 9:30am	English: Grammar Punctuation and Spelling
Monday 13 th May 2019 – 10:30am	English: Spelling
Tuesday 14 th May 2019 – 9:30am	English: Reading
Wednesday 15 th May 2019 – 9:30am	Mathematics: Arithmetic
Wednesday 15 th May 2019 – 10:30am	Mathematics: Reasoning Paper 1
Thursday 16 th May 2019	Mathematics: Reasoning Paper 2
Friday 17 th May 2019	A day to relax!

At school we very much encourage the children to 'try their very best' and to be resilient in their approach even if they find some aspects of the tests challenging. We talk openly and honestly about why these tests are important to them and to us as a school. It is a time when the children can really show their learning and celebrate their successes in the core areas of Maths and English.

Both the Y6 and Y2 children have worked really hard and have shown great maturity and resilience during the past few weeks. We are very proud of them. So that your child can do their best next week, please ensure that they get lots of rest this weekend and get to bed at a reasonable hour the night before each test. Please encourage your child to eat sensibly each day.

We would like Year 6 pupils to attend school at 8:30am from Monday to Thursday next week. We will be providing a breakfast club free of charge, where children can enjoy a relaxed breakfast together to ensure that they start the day in a positive way. Please ensure that your child arrives promptly at school so that they are fully prepared before the tests commence.

Everyone at Rivington wishes all of year 6 the very best luck next week!

Sports Day: ALL CHANGE! SAVE THE DATE! This will take place on the morning of **Thursday 4th July at Albany Academy High School, Bolton Road, Chorley**. We are lucky to have accessed these wonderful facilities and we will be assisted by Chorley Schools Sports Partnership which should mean that the children and our families will have a wonderful experience. The event will take place during the morning and parents are invited to attend. Albany is allowing school to stay at the venue for the full day but with no families in the afternoon so that we can make further use of their wonderful sports facilities. We are hoping that this means that the children can be dropped off and picked-up using the same kind of arrangements school had in place during our stay at the school last summer. Further details of the final arrangements and logistics to follow soon.

PE Kit: Every class from Reception to Year 6 has two lessons of PE a week and there is a timetable of when their lessons are. However, there needs to be some flexibility due to PE lessons sometimes having to change days (for reasons such as World Day, school trips, productions, provision that term or adverse weather). We therefore always ask that PE kits be taken home on a Friday and brought back into school on a Monday. This means that your child should never miss a single PE lesson!

Can I also remind parents that school PE kit includes: purple shorts, black tracksuit bottoms, purple hoodie (optional), white t-shirt and black PE pumps or trainers. Children should not be wearing sportswear with logos.

PE THIS HALF-TERM WILL BE ON A MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS.

Parking- Thank you for all your efforts with our impossible situation! Please stay away from the yellow zig-zagged lines - patrols are in place! Please can you not leave cars near to the entrance to the rear carpark – these cars are requiring children and families to walk into the road – presenting families with a very dangerous situation.

School respectfully asks Parents/Carers/Grandparents not to park on the Church driveway opposite school. It is used by people attending the church to visit graves, attend a service or those dealing with general church business. It is crucial for school that we have the best relationship possible with our neighbours – especially the Church. **Shortly, the driveway will be completely inaccessible as the church creates a new car park for parishioners. Many thanks for your support on this matter.**

Attendance: The happiness and educational progress of all our children are our main priorities and we believe that good attendance is a major way in which these priorities can be achieved. The pace of the curriculum is such that when your child is away from school, the learning they miss will significantly have an effect on future learning and can often not 'be made up'. Rivington Foundation Primary School follows Lancashire County Council guidelines regarding authorised and unauthorised absences. We monitor attendance every term and we will write to you if your child's attendance falls below 95%. At this stage in the year if this is due to illness this figure often increases as we progress through the year. **If your child's attendance falls below 90% this is classed as persistent absence and in these cases we would like to support you as much as possible which may include meeting together to discuss the best way to support you.** We ask for your support in this matter and if you would like any advice in relation to attendance please do not hesitate to contact school.

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.

"Technology is not the problem. It is how we use it!"

Attached this week is guidance on What's App and online bullying. School are becoming increasingly concerned with the nature of the videos and discussions our children are having on these social media platforms. They are presenting worrying safeguarding and friendship issues. School would appreciate parents support in monitoring your child's actions online.

Class Assembly Dates: 5th July for Reception.

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

Sickness: If your child is sick or has had diarrhoea please do not send them back to school **for 48 hours** after symptoms have passed.

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.

Thank you to all parents, carers and families for your continued support.

Have a lovely Bank Holiday Weekend!

Mrs. Annette x

PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR DIARY DATES.



Monday 22 nd April		
Tuesday 23 rd April		
Wednesday 24 th April	Front Row Music lessons from 10am.	
Thursday 25 th April		
Friday 26 th April		
Monday 29 th April	SA at Sacred Heart	All Day
Tuesday 30 th April		
Wednesday 1 st May	Tower Wood Meetings 8am/3:30pm	Y5/6
Thursday 2 nd May	KSI SATs Meetings 8am/3:30pm	Y5/6
Friday 3 rd May	Get Together	
Monday 6 th May	BANK HOLIDAY	
Tuesday 7 th May	KSI SATS	
Wednesday 8 th May		
Thursday 9 th May	School Advisor Observations Rev Jo Assembly 10:30am	9-12pm 10:30am
Friday 10 th May		
Monday 13 th May	SATS WEEK KS2 Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Papers Y4 SWIMMING EVERYDAY FOR 2 WEEKS 12:15PM PICK-UP. ALL CHILDREN WILL NEED A PACKED LUNCH.	
Tuesday 14 th May	Reading Paper	
Wednesday 15 th May	Arithmetic Paper Reasoning Paper 1	
Thursday 16 th May	Reasoning Paper 2 Deadline to submit the KS2 headteacher's declaration form.	
Friday 17 th May		
Monday 20 th May	Sub-committees OUT AND ABOUT WEEK BEGINS in the afternoons	4:30pm Y5/6
Tuesday 21 st May	Sex Education Meeting	8am and 3:30pm
Wednesday 22 nd May	New Starters Meeting 6:00pm	
Thursday 23 rd May	Life Bus	
Friday 24 th May	Life Bus – Parents 8:50- 9:05	
Half-Term		
Monday 10 th June		
Tuesday 11 th June	Phonics Screening begins in Y1	
Wednesday 12 th June		
Thursday 13 th June		
Friday 14 th June		
Monday 17 th June	Governors Well-being training	4:30pm
Tuesday 18 th June		
Wednesday 19 th June		
Thursday 20 th June		
Friday 21 st June	Ready, Steady School Training for new starters in the TreeHouse	
Monday 24 th June	Assessment Week	

Tuesday 25 th June		
Wednesday 26 th June	10:30am Rev. Jo. Assembly	10:30am Hall
Thursday 27 th June	EP in all day. SA Out – Online Safety.	
Friday 28 th June	Y4 Bike-ability.	
Monday 1 st July		
Tuesday 2 nd July	Return of KS2 SATs results available on NCA	12pm
Wednesday 3 rd July		
Thursday 4 th July	Sports Day @ Albany High School	
Friday 5 th July	End of Y6 Meeting.	10:15am Hall
Monday 8 th July	BEGINNING OF FAITH WEEK	
Tuesday 9 th July	Y1/2 Church Visit with Rev. Jo.	1:30- 3:00pm
Wednesday 10 th July		
Thursday 11 th July		
Friday 12 th July	Reports Out	
Monday 15 th July	Full Governors Moving up mornings this week YEAR 6 Leavers Event at some point this week	
Tuesday 16 th July	Performance afternoon Performance evening	1:30pm 6:30pm
Wednesday 17 th July	Talent Show	
Thursday 18 th July	Performance evening	6:30pm
Friday 19 th July	Hike to the Pike	All Day
Monday 22 nd July	Tidy-up day End of Year Assembly Optional Parents Evening	2pm 3:30pm
Tuesday 23 rd July	Leavers Service	2pm
Wednesday 24 th July		
Thursday 25 th July		
Friday 26 th July		

