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THAT STUFF
EVERYWHERE

Congratulations to this week's 'Rivington Remarkables': Emily McDonald, Ruby Shepherd, Riley Webb, Daniel Owen, Amelia Davies, Jessica Snape and Maisie Hitchen.

Reception Class: A big well done to Reception for settling in so well on their first full week attending school!

Harvest Celebration: Wednesday 9th October - We will be holding our annual harvest celebration in church and we would like to invite parents/carers and members of the church community to attend. Each class will perform a short harvest presentation – our theme is 'One Can'. We would be very grateful for any donations of non-perishable items to be brought to school on the day to support Living Waters Food Bank – please see the attached suggestion list.

Whole School Pantomime visit: The whole school will be going to the Dukes Theatre Lancaster on December 11th 2019 to watch Sleeping Beauty. Please see the attached letter.

Parent Governors: We have two vacancies for parent Governors on our hard-working and committed governing body. Parent governors play an important role as members of the governing body, which is responsible for directing the conduct of the school and for promoting high standards of educational achievement. The term of office for parent governors as determined by the governing body is 4 years. The school has high expectations of the time and commitment required from its governors in order to effectively fulfil their roles.

Training is available for all governors and those new to being a governor are encouraged to attend induction training. All of our governors are expected to follow the Code of Conduct.

Please see the attached letter for further information.

Martha's Hedgehog Help: Martha needs your help! Martha's aunty helps to run a hedgehog rescue centre in the local area. They are desperate for supplies of Kitten Biscuits, Go-Cat, Kitchen Rolls, old blankets, newspaper and old towels. We will place a box in Mrs. Townsend's office for any donations. Please see the attached letter from Martha herself!

Reading: One of our school improvement priorities this year is to develop reading across school and home. If you are able to spare some time to help hear children read in school for a morning or afternoon a week please let us know. This help is invaluable to us and our children and really appreciated.



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We are Proud: Well done to Riley Webb who completed the Lidl mudder at the weekend. He managed to complete the course and get himself covered in mud in the process – well done – we are so proud!



Bulb planting in school: We are planning a gardening day. We are hoping to plant lots of bulbs in our school grounds to add lots of colour when they flower in Spring. Our children said they wanted the school grounds to be more colourful. All of the children will be involved. If you are able to help please let Mrs Townsend know in the office. We are hoping to do this by half term and hope that the weather will be kind to us when we set a date.

Nasal Flu Vaccination: Your child has brought home a Nasal Flu Vaccination form this week. Please state on the form if you wish your child to have the vaccination. ALL forms must be returned by FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER LATEST.

Sports For Schools: Thank you to all our children and our families who collected and returned sponsor money for Sports for School. We have raised **£382.80** to spend on sports equipment for school. Many thanks and further information to follow.

KIND REMINDER: Please could label all uniform and PE kits and make sure children have PE kits in school ready for lessons on a Tuesday and Thursday.

Music and Modern Foreign Languages Provision: We would like to welcome Lancashire Music Service into school who will be providing weekly music curriculum provision for all classes. French is being taught weekly to KS2 by a specialist teacher.

Health & Safety notes:

1. As PE lessons on Tuesday and Thursday are until 3.10pm, if the lesson is in the yard, please can parents wait only in the area in front of the Reception classroom door until the children go into school. This lessens distraction for some of the children- helps concentration.
2. Breakfast Club is in the playground until 8:45am (weather permitting) if Parents could please not enter the site until this time unless attending a meeting or through absolute necessity. When entering the site can you please make sure that you close any gate behind you. Staff will be around to help support with this.

Admission Information for 2020-21: Admissions for Reception places opened on Monday 2nd September. Please apply online to LCC by January 15th 2020. Our Admissions policy is available from school and on our website. An open day and evening will be available shortly.



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Secondary School Admissions: Secondary applications can be made on line and you should clearly state 3 preferences for your child. If you are applying to a church school there is a supplementary form which needs to be completed. The closing date for Secondary School Admissions is **Thursday 31st October 2019.**

High School Open Days: Parents of pupils in Years 6 or 5 may wish to attend open evenings being held in our local high schools. Parklands Thursday 19th September from 5:00pm to 8:00pm, Southlands Monday 16th September from 5:30pm to 8:00pm and Albany Thursday 26th September from 5:00pm to 7:30pm.

Adult Helpers: Do you have a hidden talent that we can utilize in school or would like to offer a 'helping hand' then keep a look out for our parental help register to be sent out shortly.

Books and Games: If anyone has any unwanted books or traditional board games in good condition we would really appreciate any donations to support class/library reading and wet playtimes. Thank you in advance.

Water Bottles: Children can bring sports cap water bottles into school so that they have access to a drink in class throughout the day. Please ensure that their name is on the bottle and that they only fill their bottle with natural water.

Dropping Off and Picking Up From School: The road outside of school is obviously very busy at the start and end of the day. In the interest of the safety of the children and all pedestrians under no circumstances are vehicles to be parked on the zigzag lines. This is dangerous and could cause an accident. Thank you for your understanding.

Out of School Clubs: Several after-school clubs will be starting shortly-

- **KS1 Multi-skills after school:** Tue 10/09/2019 15:30-16:30 until 15/10/2019.
- **KS2 Football after school:** Thurs 12/09/2019 15:30-16:30 until 17/10/2019.
- **Running Club KS2:** Tues 10/09/2019 15:30-16:30. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS CLUB IS NOW FULL BUT A WAITING LIST IS OPEN.
- **Taekwondo before school club:** Every Thursday 8-8:50- all ages – please contact the office for further details.
- **Guitar:** Y1 upwards, every Friday afternoon – please contact office for further details.
- **Young Voices:** Tuesday mornings 8-8:45am – further details to follow.
- **KS2 Dance after school:** Tuesday 29.10.2019 15:30-16:30 until 17.12.2019

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



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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.

Diary dates are listed below for the Autumn Term.

Thank you to all parents, carers and families for your continued support. I hope that you had a great first week and that you have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Annette x



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Autumn Term Diary Dates:

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.

- **Meet the Teacher – sitting one. September 9 @ 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm**
- **Meet the Teacher – sitting two. September 9 @ 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
- **Towerwood Meeting Y6 Parents September 24 @ 8:30 am - 9:00 am**
- **Towerwood Meeting Y6 Parents September 24 @ 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm**
- **Y6 Towerwood Residential October 1 @ 8:00 am - October 4 @ 5:00 pm**
- **Harvest, Rivington Church October 10 @ 9:30 am - 10:30 am**
- **Parent’s Evening October 17th @ 3-6:30pm**
- **Staff Training day – closed for pupils October 28 @ 9:00 am - 3:30 pm**
- **Fun with Phonics EYFS November 1 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm GMT**
- **Help Your Child with Reading – Reception and Y1 November 8 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**
- **Help Your Child with Reading – EYFS and Y1 November 15 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**
- **Help Your Child with Reading – EYFS and Year 1 November 22 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**
- **Balance Bikes for Reception November 25 @ 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**
- **Balance Bikes for Reception November 26 @ 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**
- **EYFS/KS1 Nativity December 9 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**
- **KS2 Concert December 10 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**
- **Panto Visit – Cinderella – Dukes Theatre, Lancaster December 11 @ 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**
- **EYFS/KS1 Nativity December 12 @ 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm**
- **KS2 Concert December 13 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**
- **Grandparent’s Tea Party December 16 @ 9:30 am - 12:00 pm**



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- **Grandparent's Tea Party December 16 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**
- **School Closes for Christmas – Friday 20th December 2019 @3:15pm**

