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**Well done to all our award winners:**

**Rivington Remarkables:** Mika Kucharski, James Jones, Alice Whitwood, Thomas Kelly, Ava Shaw, Erin Freeman, and Ariana Haydock.

**Staff WOW! Of the Week:** Mrs. Gell for helping Y5/6 practise for the play. Mrs.

Cliffe for hosting an amazing Movie Night. Miss. Shore for covering late-stay!

**Y5/6 Visit to the Archives:** What a fantastic day we had at the archives looking at documents and artefacts from Tudor times. We even got to see our school charter signed by Elizabeth I. We also got to look at the oldest school register in the country from 1567 which also comes from our school – there were a lot of familiar surnames! We also got to search in one of the 8 vaults which hold many precious artefacts and primary sources. We would like to thank Lancashire Archives who tailored the session especially for our school – they were amazing!



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**Y3/4 Visit to Brockholes:** Y3 and 4 had a fantastic day learning more about rivers and the water-cycle at Brockholes. It was great to see the children out enjoying the countryside den building and learning in the forest! It was also great to hear all the positive comments from the Brockholes staff about how fantastic you were! Well done!



**Y3/4 Movie Night:** School was a little busy on Friday evening as Y3/4 enjoyed their very own movie night! I have to say that they all looked very cosy in their pyjamas and blankets! A huge THANK YOU to Mrs. Cliffe, Mrs Hodgkinson and Mrs. Hitchen and to all the parents who supplied a wonderful buffet! I hope that everyone enjoyed it!



**We could not be more proud:** Well done to **Ewan McColl** who was chosen to be flag-barer at the Remembrance Day parade and who did a sterling job. What an honour and responsibility – we could not be more proud!



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Well done too to **Jackson Lane** who arrived at school with a huge trophy he had won – coming first in his go-karting competitive race. Well done Jackson – we could not be more proud!

**Concert Tickets:** The EYFS/KS1 concerts are on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of December at 1:30pm. KS2 will be performing their pantomime on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of December at 1:30pm.

**Christmas dates:** Please see the attached break down of Christmas events during this busy period. Please keep an eye on the website diary too.

**Children- in-Need:** Thank you for all your donations and support for this worthwhile cause. As always, you have been very generous! We will give you the final figures on the next newsletter. Once again, many thanks!

**Christmas Shoe Box Appeal :** We still have shoeboxes available for the Shoe Box Appeal. These are available for any families who would like to fill a box with items for babies, children or teenagers to be distributed to various countries for disadvantaged children at Christmas. You can either send in the slip for a box to be sent home or you can collect one from the school office. Thank you for your support.

**Non-Uniform Day for Christmas Fair:** There will be two non-uniform days in order to gather much needed items for the Christmas. **On November 22<sup>nd</sup> the children will be able to wear their own clothes in return for bottles** and on **November 29<sup>th</sup> for Sweets and Chocolates.** On **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December the children are asked to bring in a Christmas item for the Christmas Tombola** and there will be a prize for each class and a special prize for the class who brings in the most items. On **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of December we kindly ask for donations of cakes and mince pies for the cake stall.** Many, many thanks in advance.

**PARKING: PLEASE CAN I ASK ALL PARENTS NOT TO PARK ON THE ZIG-ZAG LINES/PAVEMENTS or BENDS – IT IS RESULTING IN PARENTS, PRAMS AND CHILDREN HAVING TO WALK IN THE ROAD.**

**Christingle:** Please see the letter attached regarding Christingle arrangements.

**Lancashire County Council Family Learning:** ‘Helping Your Child with Reading’ continued this week at 9:15am on Friday in the TreeHouse for Rec-Y2. The session for parents/grandparents who would like to attend is at the same time and place next Fridays.



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**Let's Do Lego** for Rec-Y3 Parents/Grandaprents/Carers began today - the 15<sup>th</sup> of November in the TreeHouse at 1pm-3pm. There will also be sessions on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of November.

Finally, there will be a **'Winter Crafts'** workshop on Friday December the 6<sup>th</sup> 9:15-11:15am for Rec-Y3.

**All three courses have a limit of 12 children with one adult.**

**Whole School Pantomime visit:** The whole school will be going to the Dukes Theatre Lancaster on December 11<sup>th</sup> 2019 to watch Sleeping Beauty. Please see the office if you have not received a letter regarding this.

**Parental Questionnaires:** We are always looking for ways to improve at Rivington and it is really important for us that we know what you are thinking. Could you please take time to fill in the questionnaire which was sent home and return it to the school office.

**Pupil Premium:** Pupil premium is the additional funding provided to schools by the government. Are you entitled? If you are then you could get help towards payments for trips and Free School Meals for your child. It's easy to do. All you need to do is call the South Area Education Office on 01772 532109. It must be the person claiming the benefit that rings. You will need to provide your name, date of birth and National Insurance Number. They will confirm whether you are entitled over the telephone. If you need help in applying then please call Mrs Townsend in the school office or email at [bursar@rivington.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@rivington.lancs.sch.uk) with your details. Thank you.

**Curriculum:** Parents/carers are able to view our school curriculum (what we will be teaching your children during the year) through our school website. Please follow the signpost **'Learning'** to view our curriculum internet statement, curriculum areas and class yearly overviews and topic webs. We will be continually adding more information to this area of our website.

**School Admissions:** Primary 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.

**PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSSIONS:** The closing date for Primary School Admissions is Wednesday 15th January 2020. Supplementary forms need to be returned to school. For information about our admissions criteria please visit the school website.

**ALDI's Kit for Schools:** We are collecting Team GB stickers with ALDI's Kit for Schools. When you spend £30 in any ALDI store you will receive a special Team GB athlete sticker.



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Help us collect 300 stickers to complete our poster and we'll receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win £20,000! **Thank you for your support.**

**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.**

**Out of School Clubs:** Several after-school clubs are running or will start soon:

- **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.
- **KS2 Dance after school:** Tuesday 29.10.2019 15:30-16:30 until 17.12.2019

**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. I hope that you had a great first week and that you have a lovely half-term!

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.

- **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 17 @ 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**
- **Grandparent’s Tea Party December 16 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**
- **School Closes for Christmas – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 @2pm**

