

Newsletter 9: 08.11.2019. This
Terms Value is: Forgiveness
Well done to all our award winners:

**Seven Wonders:** Henry Bearman, Jack Ford, Riley Shore, Louis Ball, Lukas Orgill, Finlay Marsland and Charlie Sutcliffe.

**Staff WOW! Of the Week:** Mrs. Gell for completing the ELSA course and looking after everyone! Mrs. Davies for completing her Maths coordinators course and helping all of us with training for Power Maths.

We could not be more proud: Well done to Leighton Bowden who won an amazing trophy for his street dancing. You were born to be on that stage! We could not be more proud.

**Concert Tickets:** Letters regarding tickets for the Christmas concert went out this week. 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.

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.

**Children in Need:** The Children will be able to wear their own clothes (spotty if they like!) for a pound on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. If you could also send in any loose change (coppers etc.) so that we can create a large Pudsey. Cakes and other items will be available and the School Council will be sending out information regarding this at the beginning of next week. Many thanks.

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



**Let's Do Lego** for Rec-Y<sub>3</sub> Parents/Grandaprents/Carers begins on 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.

**Reverend Jo:** On Wednesday, we said goodbye to a good friend of Rivington, the Reverend Jo Smith. Jo has given us a lot of time over the last few years with her assemblies, acting, dressing up, chocolate, Bible stories... and often magic, too! Reverend Jo is leaving for a new parish in Euxton, but we doubt she'll ever meet children as lovely as ours! Congratulations, thank you and good luck Reverend Jo!

**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.

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.

**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 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 out 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. 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:

- **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.
- 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



#### **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 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 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
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- School Closes for Christmas Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 @2pm



