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15.02.2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we reach the end of a very busy half term, we wanted to take this opportunity to reflect on all that has been collectively achieved by Rivington community over the last 6 weeks. Our children have, as always, been phenomenal, embracing the new way of learning – continuing to work extremely hard; showing resistance, creativity and bringing a joy and happiness to all the staff at school – we could not be more proud!

We always recognise that none of this would be possible without the support from you: our parents and carers. Like our own staff team, you are juggling school work, busy family homes and jobs and so we thank you for continuing to work with us throughout this pandemic to ensure the best possible provision and outcomes for your children. I would like to say a huge thank you to all our parents for your support, thanks and prayers during this half term and all the hard work you have done at home with your children.

Despite the challenges that the current lockdown situation brings, the Rivington team have continued to educate pupils in school, whilst also providing an ever improving remote learning offer for those working at home. Staff have worked tirelessly to provide live and recorded lessons to KS2, EYFS and KS1 and regular online and verbal feedback, continuing to find new ways to adjust existing planning and resources to ensure that this is effective. We know it's still a work in progress and with this in mind we are sending out a questionnaire for you to complete so that we can adjust and improve provision further into the new half-term and also if there should ever be a need again (we certainly hope not!).

Currently we do not have any further updates on school opening. Further guidance from the Government will be issued on 22nd February with regards to when children will be returning to school. We look forward to receiving news about the 'road map' and we will communicate as soon as we can with regards to the how this will be managed at Rivington. We would also like to thank you for ensuring we all remain as safe as we possibly can. Staff are now carrying out LFD (Lateral Flow Testing) twice weekly, which has provided extra reassurance during this time.

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Finally, we want to wish you all a restful half term break and we look forward to seeing all of our pupils, either virtually or in school, on Monday 22nd February. Take lots of care and stay safe and well.

Mrs. Annette and all the Rivington Team

Well done to our Seven Wonders – what an amazing achievement!



- ❖ **Reception: Freddie M. and Meadow-Rose**
- ❖ **Y1: Louise K. and Abigail W.**
- ❖ **Y2: Anya H. and Ruby S.**
- ❖ **Y3: Mae R., Roman H. and Riley S.**
- ❖ **Y4: Jacob C. and Harry B.**
- ❖ **Y5: Archie N. and Zain A-K.**
- ❖ **Y6: Karsten t. and Malachi T.**



Happy Birthday: Ellen and Finlay (Y6), Selby (EYFS), Fin T(Y5) and Zack (Y1).

Half Term Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February: School will close on Friday 12th February for half term. FSM Vouchers will not be issued over the half term period. If anyone is in need of food during this period or any other time please click on the links below to find out more information.

- Inspire Youth Zone: - <https://www.inspireyouthzone.org/community-charity-inspire-youth-zone-to-provide-free-mealsto-chorley-families-in-lockdown/>
- Living Waters Foodbank:- Food Parcel collection on Tuesday and Friday, call 07889 757045 <https://lwchurch.uk/storehouse/>
- St Laurence's Church, Chorley: - Dedicated phone line 07763 226275 or e-mail: food@stlaurencechorley.co.uk Hot take-away food is provided (free) for anyone who wishes most days at St. Laurence's. On Monday food is served at 5pm. On Tuesdays and Fridays food is served at 1pm. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday food is served at 1pm

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A Message from Living Waters Storehouse:



A few of our shelves are looking close to empty... we need Corned Beef, tins Chilli Con Carne and Fray Bentos Pies. Please help if you can!



Please send them to:
storehouse@lwchurch.uk or
33-45 Bolton St, Chorley,
PR7 3AB

Term Dates 2021/2022: The term dates for 2021/2022 are now live on the school website.

World Book Day: On Thursday 4th March it is World Book Day! Sadly, we will not be able to mark it as we normally would. However, we have some exciting activities and competitions to involve our whole-school community. Firstly, we have registered to receive £1 single-use e-vouchers so despite lockdown, our pupils will have access to the full range of World Book Day offers and discounts as they normally would. Secondly, we have a range of activities going on to mark this important event. See separate email for further information.

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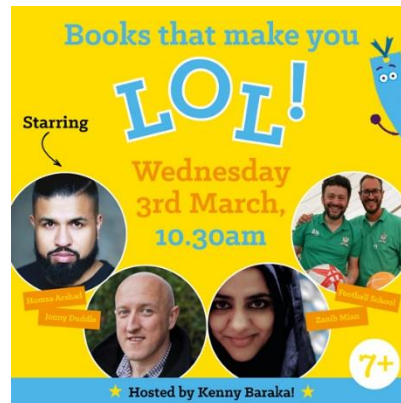
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FIND OUT MORE ABOUT WORLD BOOK DAY LIVE EVENTS:



Red Nose Day: Red Nose Day is back on Friday 19th March and this year it's never felt more important to have some fun and raise money to support people living incredibly tough lives. We need the power of funny to turn laughs into lasting change. We do not know for certain if we will all be back in school by then but either way we intend to have some fun.

Either at home or at school children can dress up as their superhero whether it is Wonder Woman, a footballer, Spiderman or even their own made up superhero. They can wear anything red and of course wear red noses.

We also want to put together a whole school video with the theme of SMILING. If possible, please could you send in a photograph of your child/children laughing and smiling. We will then put this together to share with our children and families on Red Nose Day. Please send to bursar@rivington.lancs.sch.uk by Friday 12th March.

We are not asking for £1 to be brought into school this year but we do have a Just Giving page where parents are free to donate to if they wish. We do not want to put any family under any pressure to donate during these difficult times. If you would like to make a donation, please click on the link.

[https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rivington-foundation-primary-s-rednoseday21](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rivington-foundation-primary-school-rednoseday21)

Sow and Grow Together: Saturday 13th February 1:00pm to 2:30pm - Do you fancy giving 'grow your own' a go with your family but not too sure how to get started? Lancashire Adult Learning have a FREE virtual session that is perfect for those with primary school-aged children. This session will include seed planting and sowing, as well as arts and crafts activities using natural materials you can find in your garden or

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while out on a walk. A free resource pack is provided before the event. Families are asked to enrol before Tues 9th February to ensure the resource packs can be sent out in time. The link to enrol is:

https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U_PublicCourseDetails?uio_id=11714

CBBC is On You Tube: CBBC are uploading videos to You Tube daily that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. There will be a wide range of genres from factual shows, news, dramas, comedy to entertainment. Programmes like Horrible Histories, Blue Peter, Newsround, The Next Step, Saturday Mash-Up, Operation Ouch, the Playlist, the Dumping Ground, Heirs of the Night and Jamie Johnson. We are also welcoming back Dani Harmer in the brilliant new programme My Mum Tracy Beaker. If you are interested please subscribe to <https://bbc.in/3gH3ioU>.

It is completely free to subscribe. CBBC can also be seen live daily on the BBC iPlayer.

EU Settlement Scheme: Could I please bring to your attention the following information regarding the EU Settlement Scheme:

If you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, you and your family can apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 30 June 2021. You can also apply if you're the family member of [an eligible person of Northern Ireland](#).

If your application is successful, you'll [get either settled or pre-settled status](#). The EEA includes the EU countries and also Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway.

You may be able to [stay in the UK without applying](#) - for example, if you're an Irish citizen or already have indefinite leave to remain.

When you can apply

The EU Settlement Scheme is open. You can [apply now](#) if you meet the criteria.

The deadline for applying is 30 June 2021. You must have started living in the UK by 31 December 2020.

[Which status you get](#) may depend on when you apply.

Except in a few cases, you need to apply if:

- you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen
- you're [not an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen](#), but your family member is (or is an eligible person of Northern Ireland)

This means you need to apply even if you:

- were born in the UK but are not a British citizen - you can [check if you're a British citizen](#) if you're not sure
- [have a UK 'permanent residence document'](#)

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- are a family member of an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen who does not need to apply - including if they're from Ireland
- are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen with a British citizen family member

If you have children, you [need to apply for them separately.](#)

If you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen and you have a family member who is an eligible person of Northern Ireland, [you may be able to choose which way you apply.](#)

As ever, thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation,

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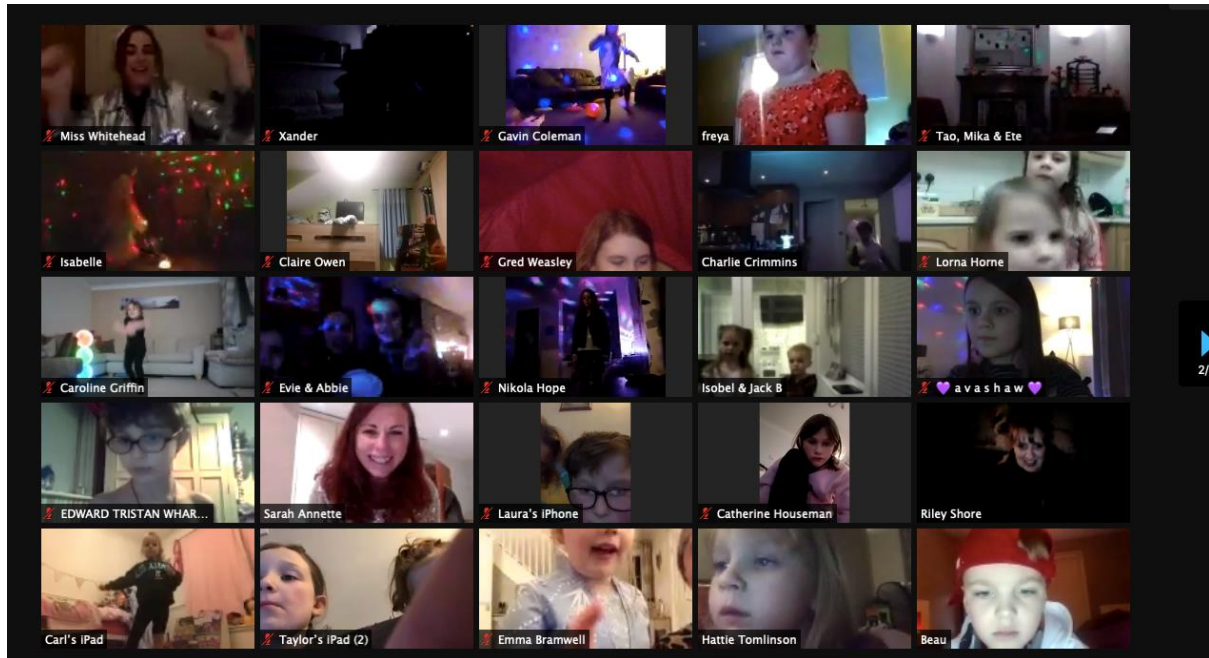
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The Rivington 'Virtual' Disco 2021!



I hope that you all enjoyed the School 'Virtual' Disco on Thursday Night as much I and Monty did! It was the perfect end to a hard-working term!
Thank you Miss. Whitehead!

