

# **Rivi News**

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'Growing Together - Living Life to its Fullest ;Making a difference Along the Way'

**NEWSLETTER 19.02.2024** 







# Well Done to our Rivington Half-Term Headteacher Award Winners!

**Rec: Lucy M.** - for your fabulous writing in phonics all half-term! **Y1: Eddie P.** - for working so hard all the time and being the best example to the rest of the class.

**Y2: Harriet D.** - for demonstrating excellent perseverance all term; across all subjects - producing excellent work.

Y3: Ava S. - for amazing maths throughout the whole half-term.
Y4: Daisy H.- for always working hard in every lesson.

**Y5: Jack F.** - for a super attitude to all lessons and for always trying your best.

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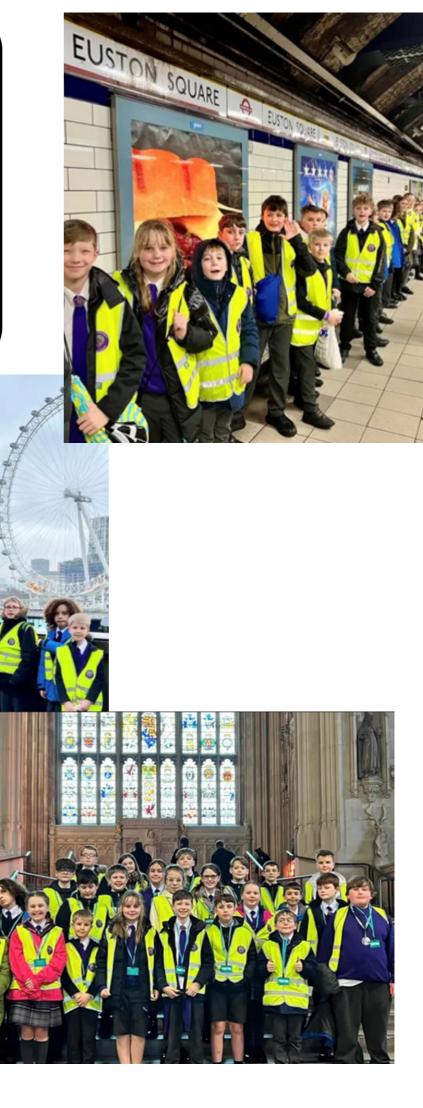
Y6: Tao K. - for working really hard in all your lessons!

Dear Parents/ Carers,
We hope that you had
a lovely half-term.
Hopefully, you saw
some sunshine and not
too much rain. We are
looking forward to a
hard working and
spring filled half-term!
Best wishes from Mrs
Annette and all the
staff

**World Thinking Day Thursday 22nd** 

February - This year the theme is 'Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion' – it's about respecting other people for who they are, regardless of their background and treating everyone equally regardless of race, religion, age, nationality, ability, appearance, gender, identity, and experience. If you are a member of Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, or Scouts you can come to school wearing the uniform for the group you attend.

A huge well done to our year 5 and 6 children who attended Speaker's Day at the Houses of Parliament on Thursday 8th February. The visit involved visiting the House of Lords and House of Commons to witness live debates. The children then went into 'Speaker's House' and took part in a question-and-answer session with Sir Lindsay Hoyle and were able to see the different rooms. We then took the children along the Embankment and walked around to see the main sites, including navigating the underground! it was a very successful visit which I am sure the children will remember for a long time. Many thanks to the staff - Mrs. Cliffe and Mrs. Davies - who organised and supported the visit.









A WEEK'S HOLIDAY

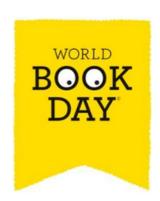
DURING TERM TIME =

25 HRS
OF LOST LEARNING!

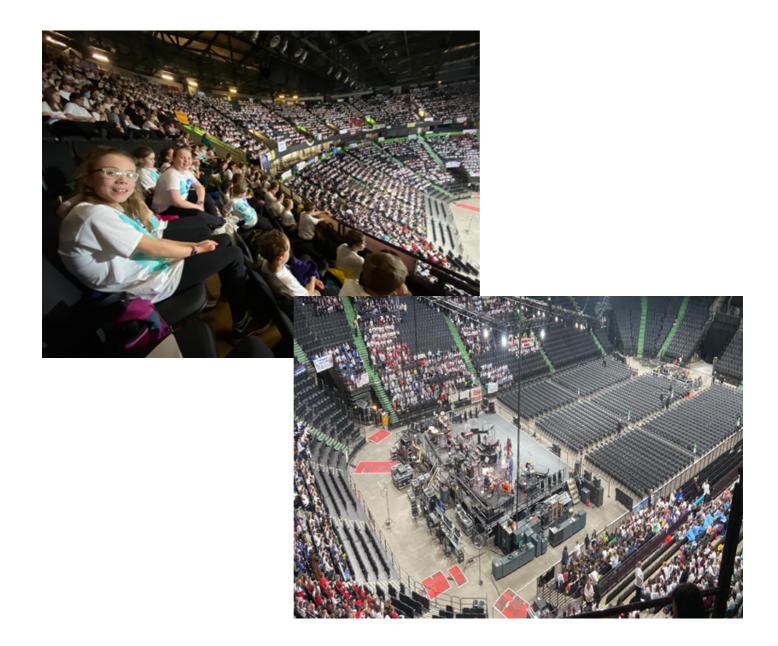


Happy Birthday! Lottie F. (Rec), Selby H. (Y3), Harry H. (Y3), Clark H. (Y3).

World Book Day – We will be celebrating World Book Day on <u>Thursday 7 th March.</u> Please could your child come dressed up as their favourite book character and bring their favourite book to share with their class.

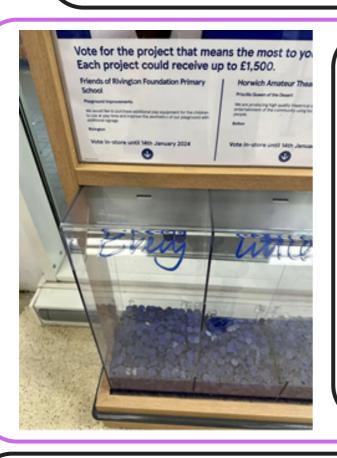


After months of rehearsals, our KS2 Rivington choir attended the Young Voices concert in Manchester on Monday 5th February. They performed many songs and dances to an audience of thousands of people! The children have worked really hard since the beginning of the year to learn all the words and actions to these songs, and it was brilliant to see them be able to perform them - all with a big smile on their faces! Not only that, but their behaviour throughout the day was impeccable, and they represented Rivington fantastically. Well done!



# **Parent Consultations**

Parent Consultations will take place on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th March from 2:30pm until 6:00pm. Appointments are live and are running short. After receiving feedback from parents, we have decided to keep this meeting face-to-face with a strict time limit.



The Results are in... we came second in the Tesco Blue Token Scheme which means that we have been granted £1000 to spend on playground improvements. Thank you to everyone who took time to post the tokens!



# **Up-coming PTA Events**

**Leap Year Fundraising Challenge:** 

- Friends of asking all children to raise £29 throughout February however they wish!
- Mothers Day Shop: <u>Friday 8th March</u> £5 per gift Pre-payment will be available online shortly or we will also accept cash on the day.
- Non Uniform Day: <u>Friday 15th March</u> Easter Eggs Easter
- Bingo: <u>Tuesday 19th March 6pm -7.30pm Thursday 21st March 6pm –</u>
   <u>7.30pm</u> Tickets will be on sale through ParentPay.
- Raffle tickets to be sold at both events and draw to take place on <u>Thursday 21st March</u> If you would like to donate any raffle prizes please contact one of the committee members.
- Summer Disco: <u>Thursday 16th May KS1: 4.30pm 5.45pm KS2: 6.00pm-</u>
   <u>7.15pm</u> Further information to follow.
- Fathers Day Shop: Friday 14th June Further information to follow
- Summer Fair: Friday 21st June 3.30pm -5.30pm

# **Online Safety: Sharing Photos Online**

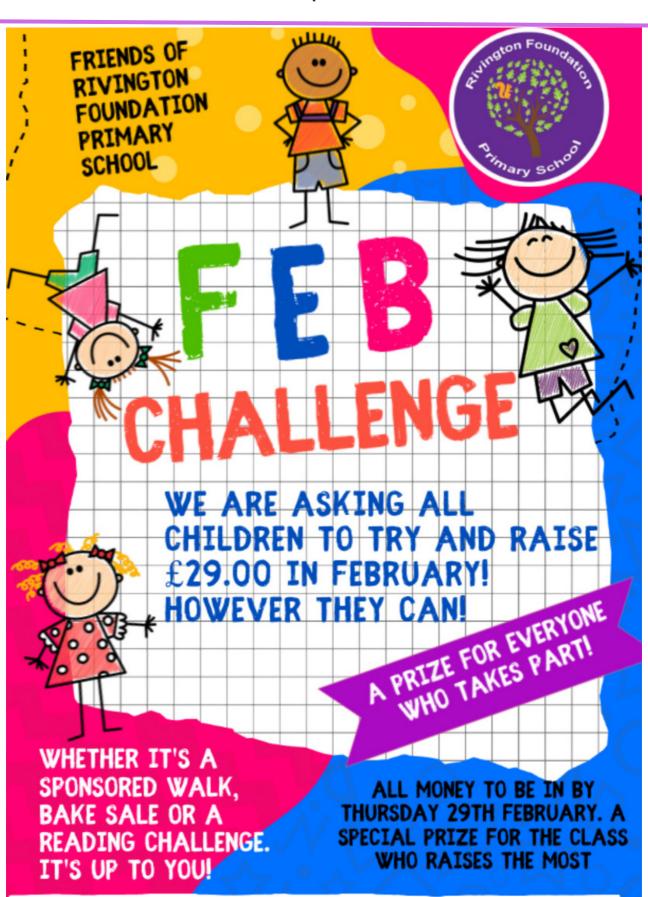
One of the more heartwarming, life-affirming aspects of social media is being able to share special moments in our children's lives with family and friends: from the first day at school or blowing out birthday cake candles to smiling holiday selfies and cute Hallowe'en costumes. Is there, however, such a thing as too much sharing – and can it actually put children in danger?

With potential risks such as accidentally displaying identifying details (images showing where a child lives or what school they go to, for example) and photos being seen and saved by strangers, perhaps we need to take a little more caution over what we post and where we post it. The attached #WakeUpWednesday guide runs through some safety considerations when sharing images.

Free School Meals/ Pupil Premium - All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 automatically qualify for Universal Free School meals, but may also qualify for free school meals if their parents are in receipt of certain benefits. This is also the case for children in the juniors. If this is the case you will 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. A quick check can be carried out by LCC. All we need is your national insurance number and date of birth and we can send your information to be checked. If you need any further information please contact the school office.

**NUT ALLERGIES** - Please could you also ensure that your child does not bring any food into school that CONTAINS NUTS as we do have a children with nut allergies in school. Thank you for your cooperation. Fruit Only Snacks & Toast - As we are a healthy school, and we are educating and promoting healthy lifestyles to our children, fruit and vegetable only snacks are allowed for break times. Toast will also be available at 20p per slice on Fridays.

As you may know, 2024 is a leap year, providing us with an extra day in February. To make the most of this additional day, we have set a goal for each child in our school to raise £29 throughout the month. The funds raised will be used to purchase new nonfiction books for all classes, enriching the learning experiences of our children. we are giving children the flexibility to choose the fundraising activity that appeals to them the most. Some popular ideas include a bake sale, sponsored walk, or a reading challenge. However, we encourage them to think outside the box and come up with their own unique ideas as well.



## . The link between attendance and attainment is clear:

- In 2018/19, just 40% of persistently absent (PA) children in KS2 achieved expected KS2 standards, compared with 84% of pupils who were regular attenders.
- And 36% of PA children in KS4 got 9 to 4 in their English and maths GCSEs, also compared with 84% of regular attenders.

## And it's never too late to benefit from good attendance:

• More than half (54%) of pupils who were PA in Year 10 and then rarely absent in Year 11, passed at least 5 GCSEs, compared to 36% of pupils who were persistently absent in both years.

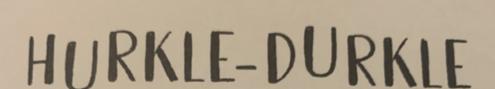
## But attendance is important for more than just attainment:

• Regular school attendance can facilitate positive peer relationships, which is a protective factor for mental health and wellbeing.





Thank you so much to Scout in Y1 who has donated a beautiful book to school all about the joy and hope that can be found in many words - happy and uplifting words and phrases that, in some cases are long forgotten, while others have just been discovered. One of my favourites is 'Hurkle Durkle' - a home activity - not one for school!



Hurkle-durkling, an expression from 19th-century Scotland, is something most of us are guilty of doing sometimes – it means lounging about in bed long after it's time to get up! If you are a hurkle-durkler, you might also be a 'yawmagorp', a 200-year-old word for a person who yawns and stretches all day long!

'Hurkle-durkle' is an example of the many fun, cheerful expressions in English that contain two words with similar and often rhyming sounds. You might like going on a helter-skelter at a funfair, or wearing flip-flops while playing ping-pong and eating a KitKat!

# **Spring Term Diary Dates 2024**

# January 2024

Friday 19th January **Y5/6 Parent Meeting for both London Trips**January 19@ 3:30pm in Y5/6

# February 2024

Thursday 1st- Thursday 29th February **Leap-year Fundraising Challenge** 

Monday 5th February **KS2 Young Voices to Manchester Arena**February 5@ 12:30pm

Monday 5th February – Friday 9th February **CUSP Design Technology Festival**All year groups.

Thursday 8th February Reception Balance Bikes Festival.

February 12 - February 16 Half-Term Holidays

Thursday 22nd February
World Thinking Day for Rainbows, Scouts, Brownies and Guides

Thursday 22nd February **Dodgeball**February 22 - 4:00pm @ Holy Cross High School.

## March 2024

Monday 4th March

#### **Governor Sub-Committees - Resources**

March 4 @ 4:30pm - 5:15pm

Monday 4th March

#### Governor Sub-Committees - Curriculum and Standards

March 4 @ 5:15pm - 6:00pm

Tuesday 5th March

#### KS2 Dance Competition - St. Michaels CofE High School Chorley

March 5 @ 2:30pm - 6:00pm

Tuesday 5th March

#### **Parent Consultation Evening**

March 5@ 2:30pm-6:00pm

Wednesday March 6th

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March 6@ 2:30pm - 6:00pm

Thursday March 7th

## World Book Day - Children invited to wear costumes

March 7 – all day

Friday 8th March

Mother's Day Shop in school

Friday 15th March

**Non-Uniform Day for Easter Eggs** 

Monday 18th March

#### Y3/4 Class Assembly- Church Hall

March 18@ 2:30pm

Monday 25th March

**Full Governors** 

March 25@ 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Thursday 28th March

Easter Hats/Decorated Eggs/Easter Garden Competition - You can enter all, one or none!

Thursday 28th March

Egg Rolling - families welcome to watch from School wall - near the Treehouse

March 28@ 1:00pm-2:30pm

Thursday 28th March

Easter 'Get Together' in the Church Hall

March 28@ 2:30pm-3:15pm

**Easter Holidays** 

Friday March 29th - Friday April 12th

Monday 15th April

School Re-opens for the Summer Term