

# Newsletter

Riverside Primary School & Nursery  
St Edmund's Way  
Rainham,  
Kent ME8 8ET



*Happy, Helpful, Hard-working*

Friday 17th December 2021

Term 2 2021/22

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have all enjoyed coming into school recently to support your children with their Christmas performances; from Rabbits Class Christmas songs, Key Stage 1 "Tinsel and Tea Towels," Reception classes' "It's a Baby" and today, with Key Stage 2 carols outside. All the children have sung and performed brilliantly - well done everyone!

A big well done and thank you once again to our fabulous FoRPS team, who raised a total of £2026.74 profit from the Christmas Fayre! They did an amazing job of organising the event under challenging circumstances, both in terms of Covid and the unpredictable weather! Thank you too to all the local businesses who attended or donated prizes for the raffle.

We had our second visit from Father Christmas today, who popped in to say hello to all of our classes and drop off some Christmas treats! Thank you Father Christmas for visiting our school twice - we are very lucky!

Currently, the Coronavirus guidance for schools is that we will remain open to all children in January. If anything changes we will use our usual channel for communication and post information on Class Dojo. This will also be the case if there is a sudden change in weather and we experience adverse weather conditions. In both of these circumstances, we are fully prepared for remote online learning and all information will be shared on Class Dojo. We encourage you to take a Lateral Flow Test before returning to school in January and follow the guidance from Test and Trace if you are positive or a close contact, following a PCR test.

On behalf of all of the staff, I'd like to thank you for your generous gifts, cards and Christmas messages. We hope you have a safe and restful holiday and look forward to welcoming the children back to school in January. A reminder that Tuesday 4th January is a Staff Development Day, so the children will return on Wednesday 5th January 2022.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year!

Yours sincerely,



Kim Wilmer  
Headteacher

*This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, achieving equal opportunities and combating discrimination.*



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## **Riverside Primary School Diary Dates 2021 - 2022**

***Christmas Break – Monday 20th December 2021 to Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022***

<b>Term 3</b>	
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – Staff Development Day</b>	
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Children back to school
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Swimming Year 2 - Puffins
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Swimming Year 2 - Squirrels
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Achievement Assembly 9:15am & Last day of term

***Closing date for Primary school applications Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022***

***February Break – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022***

<b>Term 4</b>	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2022	Children back to school
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2022	World Book Day
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> and March and Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Book Fair in the School Hall 3:15pm to 4:00pm
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Book Fair in the School Hall 3:15pm to 4:00pm
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March to Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2022	Year R Health Checks
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Fantastic Fred Mental Health Workshops Year 1 to Year 6
TBC	Children Inspired Yoga classes, Otters, Seals and Kestrels
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Achievement Assembly 9:15am & Last day of term

***Easter Break – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April to Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022***

***Good Friday – 15<sup>th</sup> April 2022***

***Easter Monday – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022***