



Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another busy week at Riverside with lots of learning happening. At Riverside, our values are extremely important to us and talked about a lot. Our values are Community, Happiness, Aspiration, Respect, Articulacy, Curiosity, Teamwork, Equality, Resilience—together, they make the word CHARACTER. We always enjoy our Friday morning assemblies, where children from each class receive celebration certificates for the week. Today there were a lot of children who were given certificates for 'Resilience', which was great to see. It was wonderful to hear the children explaining why and how they had been resilient.

Online Safety

In an ever-changing world, it is extremely important to be aware of keeping children safe online. Online safety is discussed in all year groups and is part of our Computing curriculum. The internet is amazing and has so much to offer children and young people, but online safety skills are an increasingly important part of all our lives. It is essential to be aware of the number of games and devices that have online chat facilities which could allow children to engage with strangers online. This includes VR headsets which immerse children in other worlds. Please make sure you check the access on all of these games and devices to ensure your children are not communicating with strangers. It is important to educate children around how to stay safe and not to share personal information with others. If you need any help or advice please speak to your child's class teacher.

FoRPS

Our Friends of Riverside Primary School are vital to our school community and help to organise amazing experiences for our children, such as the Christmas and summer fairs, discos and gift shops. If you would like to be involved with FoRPS in any way, please contact them on contactforps@gmail.com or speak to Mrs Wood, our Home School Support Worker. All help is greatly received, as without enough members we are unable to run these events and raise much-needed funds for the school. If you would like to come to their meetings, FoRPS meet every Tuesday morning in school after drop off. Please come to the office and they will meet you there.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend and thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Robson

Uniform

A reminder that hoodies are not part of our school uniform and should not be worn to school. Children should wear a red / burgundy jumper or cardigan only.

Many thanks

PROUD MOMENT...

This week, leaders looked at maths across the school and saw some fantastic learning and great attitudes towards maths problems and tasks. Keep up the great maths work Riverside!



Term 1 23-24

Week 3

Friday 22nd September

Attendance

The classes with the best attendance this week are:

Kingfishers (Y1)

Seals (Y3)

Owls (Y6)



WELL DONE!

Upcoming Events

- 25.9.23 Robins Coffee Afternoon at 2:30pm
- 26.9.23 Kingfishers Coffee Afternoon at 2:30pm
- 27.9.23 Hedgehogs Coffee Afternoon at 2:30pm
- 28.9.23 at 1:30pm and 2pm. FS Tours for children starting school next September



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ONLINE CONTENT

10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.



1 MONITOR VIEWING HABITS

Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.



2 CHECK ONLINE CONTENT

Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.



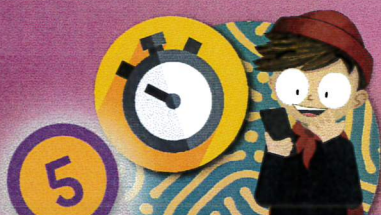
3 CHECK AGE-RATINGS

Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.



4 CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.



5 SPEND TIME ON THE APP

Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.



6 LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE

Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.



7 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.



8 LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK

Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.



9 KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

If a child sees distressing material online; listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.



10 SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT

If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.