



Message from Mrs Lahive



Happy Friday Riversiders!
Ancora Imparo - I am still learning

Yet another exciting week at Riverside...

It has been an absolute joy to host our coffee mornings back in the hall this week. The children loved performing songs and showing off their speedy reading. Thank you, Parents, for all of your lovely comments. We look forward to welcoming you back for another catch-up in the Summer Term.

Here are some of this week's highlights:

British Science Week

To celebrate the start of British Science Week, Scottish Power made a trip to our Kingfishers, Ravens and Adder classes and helped our children to make their own planet-friendly power! The children had a fantastic day.

[Click here.](#)

The Larks have also been working hard in science. They have been learning about sound and experimenting how water flows downwards on different surfaces. [Click here](#) and [here](#).

Caring Conkers

The Conkers have been learning about what birds need to make a nest. It was wonderful to hear how the children decided to spend their break time hunting for items to make their own nest. They even placed berries in the nest to leave a tasty treat. Well done, Conkers- a true act of kindness. [Click here.](#)

More fun in the forest

This week, our children from the Brambles enjoyed fun in the forest garden. The children worked together to build homes for animals and are now 'experts in fire safety.' Top job, Brambles.

[Click here](#)

In other news:

Our **Seedlings** Class have been busy sorting and exploring different seeds. They even recreated their very own sunflowers using potato printing. [Click here.](#)

It was mission maths in the **Acorns**: they have been learning how to count to ten! Super mathematicians ☺

[Click here.](#)

The **Otters** have thoroughly enjoyed learning about fruits and vegetables this half term. Check out their art work inspired by the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo. [Click here.](#)

Spring is upon us: Riverside's very own eco warriors, the **Willows**, have been busy planting potatoes in their garden- see them in action [here](#).

The **Bluebells** started their Magical Maths and Grammar Games club this week and the children can't wait for next week's session already! Those Bluebells love to learn. [Click here.](#)

Equality at Riverside:

Equality is a key driver at Riverside. We want all of our children to feel equal and this is one of the reasons we all wore t-shirts on World Book Day. Pupil voice is so important to us and our School Council have voted against bringing cakes or sweets into school for birthdays. Instead, we will celebrate all birthdays with a song and some kind words.

Support for Families:

The recent news has been dominated with awful stories and images of the recent Russian invasion of Ukraine. This is probably something that many of your children are asking questions about. The DfE have published the following about talking to children about this. It is worth a read and may help you discuss the situation and answer your children's questions. [Click here.](#)

Hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lahive ☺

5 Stars of the week ★★★★★ Our 5 Star celebration

Seedlings: Remy Mc
 Acorns: Teddy T
 Otters: Tobias
 Conkers: Isabelle Mc
 Bluebells: Jessie H & Kirstie F
 Adders: Daniel Mc
 Larks: Orla M
 Ravens: Millie W
 Kingfishers: Caleb Mc
 Brambles: Noah T
 Willows: TJ R



Attendance



The race for the first Mr. Potato Head party is on!
 Which Year group will win this half term?

Seedlings:	Adders:	1 piece
Acorns:	Larks:	
Otters: 1 piece	Ravens:	1 piece
Conkers	Kingfishers:	1 piece
Bluebells		

Be on time by 5 to 9!

Dates for your diary / reminders

Monday 14th March: F2, 5 year old dental checks 9:30am - 10:30am

Wednesday 16th March: Wrens coffee morning 9am - 10am.

Please enter via the middle gate on Brighton Street and straight into the hall.

Advanced Notice: We have been informed that our school will no longer be needed as a polling station for any future local elections. Therefore, we will no longer have an inset day on Thursday 5th May. We will let you know as soon as possible, when the rescheduled inset day will be.