



The Riverside Reporter
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Message from Mrs Lahive
Ancora Imparo - I am still learning



DEAR FATHER CHRISTMAS,

I am sure you will be as proud and as happy as I am this year about all the wonderful things that the Riverside children, families, staff and governors have achieved. It really has been an amazing start to our school year with so many learning opportunities squeezed into the first term!

I know that you will have heard all about how we have all tried our best to follow our core values: be kind: be safe: be a great learner. We try to follow these everyday not just at Christmas.

BE KIND

This year we are so lucky to be able to share our beautiful Christmas plays and concerts once again which have brought such joy to our families and friends. Here are some highlights from our Christmas fun. Seedlings [CLICK HERE](#), Acorns [CLICK HERE](#), Otters [CLICK HERE](#), Wrens [CLICK HERE](#), Conkers [CLICK HERE](#), Willows [CLICK HERE](#) and Key Stage 2 [CLICK HERE](#).

Father Christmas we know it can get very busy for you at this time of year so why not follow our Calm Crew's top tips to help you self-regulate [CLICK HERE](#) and always know that you can think of us by practising The Wren's 'In My Heart Meditation' [CLICK HERE](#) if things are getting a bit much for you.

BE SAFE

Sadly, Father Christmas a lot of our Riverside children have been poorly and have missed some of our Christmas treats so we will work extra hard to make sure that next term we plan exciting adventures we can all join in with. The NHS has asked us to share this information to keep us safe in case anyone is feeling ill over the holidays with Scarlet Fever or Strep A. [CLICK HERE](#).

BE A GREAT LEARNER

Father Christmas – I have to share with you some of our favourite moments so far this year – As you know two of our best ways of learning are through our trips and our special visitors. Santa – here's just a glimpse just what we've been up to since September...

Becoming historians...

The Adders became Stone Age People [CLICK HERE](#), The Larks became Romans [CLICK HERE](#), The Ravens became Mayans [CLICK HERE](#) and The Kingfishers became Greeks [CLICK HERE](#)

We are Scientists at Riverside for sure! Not only did we gain our Science Quality Mark but we were the first children on the Wirral to visit the new Eureka experience [CLICK HERE](#).

For many of us it was exciting firsts like our trip to the zoo [CLICK HERE](#) and our first trip to the theatre [CLICK HERE](#).

Readers, Writers and Talkers of the future

Father Christmas, as you know, our children love reading and together with the parents we have been reading every night and remembering our book bags everyday. AMAZING! Some of our children have actually become movie stars filming their awesome reading [CLICK HERE](#) and [CLICK HERE](#). Our Lark and Kingfisher Book Clubs enjoyed a visit to Waterstones to choose their favourite holiday book [CLICK HERE](#). We have been getting lots of jewels in our writing odysseys for our brilliant vocabulary and have enjoyed learning and performing our class poems about Lost Words and our British Heroes. Benjamin Zephaniah [CLICK HERE](#) and [CLICK HERE](#) – The Ferns' British Hero and the Acorns' hero Michael Rosen even sent us a special message because they enjoyed them so much! [CLICK HERE](#). Our Larks Class shared the classic poem George with their parents and made their own silent movie about it. [CLICK HERE](#).

EVERYONE CAN DO MATHS: EVERYONE CAN!

Miss P has set her Christmas table challenge so get swotting up over the hols!

DIVERSITY: We're all different – We're all wonderful!

Some of your friends from RockKidz visited us and shared their powerful message – YASBA! [CLICK HERE](#) and we looked at our library and treasure chests to make sure that they reflected our beautiful diverse world and Riverside family.

BUILDING UPDATE:

Phew! Can you believe all that in one term -Father Christmas, and that is only a snapshot! What's more we have achieved all that whilst waiting for our new temporary classrooms and building! We are now a step closer to our dream school building and look at what our Kingfisher class contributed to as they re-imagined Seacombe along with architects and the Council (maybe the waterslide from the Town Hall to Guinea Gap Baths is a step to far... but if you don't ask!) [CLICK HERE](#)

So Father Christmas, I think you would agree that the children, staff, parents and governors definitely deserve to be on your nice list. Before I say good-bye, I would like to say a special thank you to all your generous friends (they know who they are) who have helped us make sure every child enjoys these wonderful trips and experiences. A HUGE shout out to Mrs Bowness and her friends who have made sure some of our families at Christmas time got a little extra help. If any of our families need help over the Christmas holidays, PLEASE let us know by emailing the school office using [THIS LINK](#) and we'll do our best to help.

Mrs Bowness will be available on the school mobile on Wednesday 28th December and Thursday 29th December – 07955703575. Please email the school office at any other time during the holidays.

The heart of Mrs Grinchy Lahive is full – wishing you and all the children and families a happy and healthy Christmas. We look forward to seeing all our children back in school on Thursday 5th January. The last word of course goes to, 'The angels who all look like children from Seacombe – to me!' [CLICK HERE](#)

Mrs Grinchy Lahive x

5 Stars of the week



Our 5 Star learners

Seedlings:	Timothy
Acorns:	Lylah F-E
Otters:	Jamie
Conkers:	Zak G
Bluebells:	Lucy-Anne
Adders	Jessie & Ayden
Larks:	Aiden
Ravens:	Lilly
Kingfishers:	Amelia W
Willows:	Jax
Ferns:	Leighton
Wrens:	Parker



Attendance



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



Seedlings:	75%	Year 3:	87%
Acorns:	88%	Year 4:	99%
F2:	88%	Year 5:	92%
Year 1:	98%	Year 6:	95%
Year 2:	91%		

Aiming for 100% everyday!

Dates for your diary / reminders

Date	Event
Wednesday 4 th January 2023	Staff INSET day. Closed to pupils.
Thursday 5 th January 2023	Open to pupils

*We hope you all have a lovely
festive break.*