



Happy Friday Riversiders!
Ancora Imparo - I am still learning
Yet another exciting week at Riverside...



Well we made it! What a lovely way to end the term with a week full of wonderful activities celebrating this special time of year... Every day the children have been enjoying different RE activities including our Acorns shaking their palms and our Raven class enjoying a Passover meal which some of our parents joined in with. [Click here.](#) The chicks have continued to bring much joy to us all especially those of us who have just needed a little helping hand to be happy and regulate our emotions (especially first thing in the morning). We will be saying good-bye to our fluffy friends today. My how they have grown! [Click here.](#) Following the success of The Willows' chicks, the School Council met this week to discuss the possibility of getting a school pet so after Easter we will be welcoming some new arrivals to our Riverside family. That's democracy for you...watch this space!

Be Kind

Reggie, from our Willows class, became Headteacher for Five Minutes this week for being such a kind friend to everyone and making good choices. [Click Here.](#) We have all benefited this week from other people's kindness. A special thanks to our friends at Typhoo, Morrisons and Thompson Mission for donating Easter eggs for the children and to Egremont Community Centre who supplied some lovely hampers to help out some of our families over the holidays.

Be Safe

Our wonderful play leaders have done a great term's work making sure all the activities were sorted. They have all signed their contracts, which Miss Jackson has drawn up for them. Great power comes with great responsibility!

We all love our four legged friends but you will be aware that there have been a number of tragic incidents involving dogs recently and the RSPCA have asked if we could share their 6 Golden Rules for keeping children safe and dogs happy. [Click here.](#)

Be A Great Learner

We are Talkers!

Nursery Rhyme Fun: After sharing our Chick, Chick, Chick Chicken nursery rhyme with our friends in St Alphonsus School in Manchester, the Acorn class had a special surprise visit from Miss Regan who came and shared the story of The Odd Egg with us. If you see them ask what was inside...

The Conkers, Bluebells and The Brambles had fun on the farm this week talking to the animals. Everyone had a brilliant time being geographers, being scientists and most of all being six and seven enjoying the great outdoors with animals! [Click here](#), [here](#) and [here](#).

We are Readers! Thanks to our donation by the INEOS group, we have all been enjoying our treasure chest books. Thank you for encouraging your children to bring their book bags in every day and making sure they do their MOST important homework every night –their reading. A special thank you for going the extra mile with the Phonics homework. You are all Fred Talk it... f-a n-t-a-st (special friends) i-c! No wonder Read, Write, Inc have made us their filming school!

We are Writers! The children have all been busy this week with their writing odysseys and it has been a delight to read their work from Owl Baby stories, Space Exploration Narrative texts, to letters to Jemmy Button and narratives based on Darwin's Origin of The Species. The children are so proud of their writing.

We are Scientists at Riverside For Sure!

Stem Club designed their perfect playground using computing skills this week and this will feed in to our designs for improving our yard. There is a new Easter EGGsperiment challenge. So get those STEM skills into gear! [Click here.](#)

Building Update

I told you last week that we had to submit information towards the LA's bid to the DFE (Department for Education) for plans to improve our school building conditions. Following this, we were contacted this week by the DFE and they are visiting the school next Monday so I am hoping we are a step closer to our school rebuild dream being realised.

As we say goodbye, just for a while, I would like to say a big thank once again to yourselves, the governors and the staff for making this term, which has been difficult with so many of us being poorly, a term full of great learning experiences for the children. We cannot wait to come back, all refreshed and well, to enjoy our summer term. I have a feeling it is going to be a good one! Hope you and your families have a lovely Easter holiday.

Mrs Lahive ☺

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

Seedlings	Maisie-May F
Acorns:	Brodii H
Otters:	Ruby F
Conkers:	Calob B
Bluebells:	Charlie F & Skylah H
Adders:	Aiden F
Larks:	Shanice J
Ravens:	Isaac V
Kingfishers:	Joshua W
Brambles:	Leighton H
Willows:	T.J. S



Attendance



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

Seedlings:	Adders:	6 pieces
Acorns:	Larks:	8 pieces
Otters:	Ravens:	5 pieces
Conkers	Kingfishers:	9 pieces
Bluebells		6 pieces

Be on time by 5 to 9!

Dates for your diary / reminders

<u>Friday 8th April:</u>	Term ends (Spring Break 11 th to 22 nd April)
<u>Monday 25th April:</u>	School Opens
<u>Thursday 26th May:</u>	Inset Day
<u>Friday 27th May:</u>	Inset Day
<u>Monday 30th May -</u>	Half Term
<u>Friday 3rd June:</u>	

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.

This has been rescheduled to Thursday 26th May.