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THIS TERM'S SCHOOL VALUES ARE TO SPOT OUR CHILDREN WHO ARE:

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Welcome back – this term we will be challenging ourselves
and each other 😊

This week: Welcome back, Breakfast Club re-opens, Dates for your diary
and much more! ...



From the Head's Chair



It has been an amazing start to the new academic year at **RIVERSIDE**. The children returned on Wednesday morning with big smiles and I must say they looked incredibly smart with their clean uniforms and new shoes 😊

They were really excited to be back so they could see their friends and teachers – all in their new classes. They settled really quickly and got learning pretty much straight away, which I was really proud of. I have conducted a school tour for a prospective parent already this week and set a new record. The child arrived, was in uniform, lunch ordered, in class and on the carpet listening to Mr Cranfield with a new buddy in 8 minutes. That doesn't happen often!

Assembly (in our new, temporary hall space) was a great chance to welcome everyone back and introduce a couple of new faces to the children. Mr Tillyer has joined us and will be teaching in Y1 Chestnut class and Mrs Buffinton will be teaching in Y3 Oak class. The focus was to remind children of our expectations of behaviour and work, introduce them to their new-look work books and talk about this term's school value of 'Facing New Challenges'. I set myself a special challenge and tasked the children with doing the same – I will practice hard and report on how I get on in the next week or so!

TEACHING SPACES & MARQUEE



Over the last year, **RIVERSIDE** school has grown more rapidly than anyone expected and we have welcomed well over 60 new children to the school – which is fantastic. As we are currently still sharing part of our building with Braywick Court School, the additional classroom space is currently unavailable. Therefore we have agreed with the local authority to build two brand new classrooms next to the playground. This work will start in October and is planned to complete by early December - a tight timescale but one we are determined to achieve. We will then get to keep

these once Braywick Court leave us, a really positive legacy and future-proof for the school and community.

Therefore we are in the meantime being creative with the spaces we have, and the children have a little adventure in the short term. Year 4 is being taught by Miss Moore in the hall and Y3 are being divided into two small classes

in the mornings for core subjects. To ensure that the P.E. curriculum can continue to be delivered and we have a space in which the whole school can gather, we have constructed a marquee in the playground. All of these spaces are well equipped and resourced with exactly what the children need to ensure they continue to receive high quality teaching and learning every day. The children have made a brilliant start



and, as I say, have settled in and adapted remarkably quickly!

INSET TRAINING

On Monday and Tuesday this week, teachers and support staff were in school for two very busy days of training. I think it is important that you understand that as education continues to evolve, we want to make sure **RIVERSIDE** remains at the cutting edge of outstanding practice. On Monday we had a full day of Talk4Writing training, a school-wide approach being introduced this year to challenge, extend and improve the reading and writing for every child. We will be sending home details during the course of this term to help you learn more about this approach and support their learning at home.



Have a good weekend!



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RIVERSIDE BREAKFAST CLUB :

Open for Business!

Thanks to Mrs Arnold, Mrs Vaughan and Miss Kent we have proudly re-opened our brilliant Breakfast Club from the start of term. The breakfast club is open to all children from 8am daily in the school dining hall.

Children have an opportunity to enjoy a delicious breakfast of their choice followed by activities with their friends, before being delivered safely to their classes for the start of the day.



Parents get the flexibility to drop off their children early, avoid the rush and get to work on time! If you are interested in the breakfast club or have any questions, please speak to a member of staff or

pick up a registration form from the Office Angels. The breakfast club costs just £3 per session with family rates available so get them in and get involved!

...REMINDERS FOR EVERYONE...

- If your child needs regular medication, inhaler, etc., please ensure that the school have been informed and have up to date records and supplies
- Parking – please be considerate of our neighbours when dropping off or collecting your children. Please be patient if there is a queue and don't use their driveways
- Contact details – please inform the Office Angels if your contact details have changed at all during the Summer

HOUSE POINT TOTALS THIS WEEK...

KITES	EAGLES	KESTRELS	FALCONS
			
53	91	58	62

BEST ATTENDANCE OF THE WEEK... (Expectation = 96%)

POPLAR	100%	WALNUT	96%	MULBERRY	95.7%

2017 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	OCCASION	WHO?
Every Day	Breakfast Club open from 8am	All
Mon 11 Sep	"My First Class" Maidenhead Advertiser Photo	Reception Parents
Tue 19 Sep	Y3 Road Safety Workshop	Oak Class
Tue 19 - Fri 22 Sep	Book Fair After School	All
Wed 20 Sep	Mobile Library Visiting RIVERSIDE	All
Tue 17 Oct	Coral Rumble Poetry Workshop Y6	Holly Class
Thu 19 - Fri 20 Oct	Y5 Bikeability Training	Willow & Walnut Class
Fri 20 Oct	Last Day of Term 1	All
Mon 30 Oct	INSET Day - School Closed	All
Tue 31 Oct	Start of Term 2	All
Tue 31 Oct	Online Secondary School Transfer Website closes at Midday	Holly Class

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