



Richmond News



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Our school gates are closed for vehicles between 8.30am-8.55am and 3.05pm-3.35pm

ATTENDANCE

Unfortunately no classes achieved 100% attendance the week before half term. Whole school attendance fell to 93.04% which is well below our target of 97%.

ATTENDANCE FAIRY

Every fortnight we celebrate all children with 100% attendance. Everyone with 100% over the two week period will be entered into our lucky dip.



SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACEMENTS

County Hall will be notifying parents of secondary school placements on **Wednesday 1st March**. If you do not receive your confirmation, or your address has changed, please contact admissions at County Hall as soon as possible.

YEAR 4 AFTER SCHOOL MIXED FOOTBALL

There will be no Year 4 after school mixed football on a Tuesday until the **21st March** due to staff training and the PGL trip.

YEAR 5 PGL TRIP

The final PGL installment was due on **Friday 17th February**.

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Parents' evenings will be held on **Wednesday 8th March** at **3:30-6:30pm** and **Thursday 9th March** **3:30-5:30pm**.

Early Years parents' evenings will be held on **Monday 6th March** **3:30-6:30pm** and **Thursday 9th March** **3:30-5:30pm**

Year 6 parents' evenings will be held on **Tuesday 7th March** **3:30-6:30pm** and **Wednesday 8th March** **3:30-6:00pm**

Appointments can be made via the Jotter app. If you click on the links icon it will take you to the booking page. Please call the office if you are having problems making an appointment.

ROVING BOOKS

In line with World Book Day, Roving Books are coming into school on **Thursday 9th March**.

Children will have the opportunity to purchase books in school time with their teachers.

Children will also be able to use their £1.00 "World Book Day" tokens. These will be issued directly to class on the day

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next Year 4-6 School Council meeting is on **Thursday 2nd March** **3:30-4:30pm**.

EYFS & YEAR 1 LITTLE DRAGONS BOOKSHOP

We will be opening the EYFS & Year 1 branch of the Little Dragons Bookshop on **Monday 6th March**. Children will be able to visit the bookshop during lunchtime.

Books will cost **50p** each. Please send the correct money in an envelope with your child's full name and class written on it.



THE BIG BOOKY BREAK

As part of World Book day, on **Thursday 2nd March** parents are invited to join their child in class to share a book and have a drink together.

Early Years - Year 2
9:00 - 9:30am

Years 3-6
2:45pm - home time

Children can come to school with their favourite book. They can also dress as their favourite book character.

Year 2 children will still be doing PE on this day, so please can they come to school wearing trainers as part of their outfit.



PRE LOVED UNIFORM DURING PARENTS' EVENING

During Parents' Evenings next week there will be a selection of preloved uniform in each building for parents to take. There will also be request forms to fill in if there is a particular item/size that you need.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Our Facebook page is now live!
For up to date information please follow us.

Please be aware that this page is for information purposes only and not for communication. Any negative comments will be removed.



DRESSING UP CLOTHES DONATIONS

If anyone has unwanted dressing up clothes that they would like to donate to Early Years, we would be very grateful.

SCHOOL LOTTERY

Our school lottery plays every week, even during the school holidays, so you can support us all year round! You can choose to play for a month or continuously, your choice. Prizes of up to £25,000 can be won (depending on the number of players).

Congratulations to this week's winner: Ms T.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk>

ABSENCES

Could we please remind parents to contact the school office on the first day of your child's absence. This can be reported on the absence line.

EMPATHY AUTHORS BOOK COLLECTION

We need your help!!!

We would like to raise funds for a collection of empathy related books to help support the teaching of diversity and inclusion.

If you would like to donate, simply visit:

[Home - Support your school](#)

LITTLE DRAGONS BOOKSHOP

Just a reminder that our brand new 'Little Dragons Bookshop' is now open to children from Year 2 up to Year 6, on Friday lunchtimes, in the Place to Be. Books range from 10p up to £2, however, most books are priced at £1. The children are to bring their book money in sealed envelope with their FULL name and class, and bring this with them to the bookshop. Please can you send coins only, rather than notes.





The Big Booky Break

Join your child in class to share a book and have a drink together.

World Book Day
(Thurs 2nd March)

EY & KS1 - 9:00-9:30
KS2 - 2:45-hometime

Please sign in at your child's classroom.

Children can come to school with their favourite book. They can also dress as their favourite book character.

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term. We hope that you all had a wonderful half term last week. We have already had a busy, exciting couple of days back in school.



We have been joined in our assemblies this week by Jon from Beacon Church. We learnt all about the Christian period of Lent, including the Bible story of Jesus in the wilderness. The children considered what they might choose to give up for Lent, or what they could take up to help others. We had some interesting suggestions from favourite foods, to scootering, to their favourite computer games!

Year 3 set up an amazing Design Technology exhibition in the hall this week to showcase their labyrinths, vehicles and design process. All of the children in school had the opportunity to visit the exhibition throughout the day and we also welcomed Anne Crabtree from Hinckley Museum to celebrate our learning. She was very impressed by the children's design skills and their attention to detail throughout the planning process. Well done year 3!



Early Years had lots of fun during Dinosaur Day to begin their new learning theme, Dangerous Dinosaurs! The children were amazed to see that a cheeky dinosaur had actually visited the classrooms during half term and had got up to all sorts of mischief! There was also a strange and magnificent egg which had been left behind for them to look after. The children loved making salt dough dinosaur bones, so that they can be palaeontologists and dancing like different dinosaurs. They were very excited about making a volcano erupt too! They looked brilliant in their costumes and everyone had a super day!



Year 6 enjoyed a visit from the Red Cross on Monday. Rupesh from British Red Cross visited Year 6 to teach them about keeping safe and how to deal with different first aid scenarios such as: burns, seizures, broken bones, head injuries, heavy bleeding and asthma attacks. The children created dramas about the different injuries and then how to deal with them. They also learned how to complete CPR if they found someone who was non-responsive and not breathing. Well done year 6 for being conscientious citizens.



Kind regards,
Emma Clark

Headteacher

10-19 March British Science Week 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

During British Science Week, on Tuesday 14th March we are inviting the children to dress up as something linked to science to celebrate all that is amazing in the world and beyond. We are also fundraising towards new, much needed, science equipment so any donation great or small (e.g. £1) can be donated via ParentPay. We thank you for your continued support.

Some ideas to inspire your outfits are:

- Rainbow
- Galaxy
- Scientist
- Planet
- Sun / Star
- Astronaut
- Animal
- Insect
- Weather
- Magnet
- Plants/Flower



Or you could make your own hat, t-shirt or apron with something on e.g:

- Volcano
- Solar system
- Digestive system
- Skeleton
- Water cycle
- Animal lifecycle
- Food chain



Richmond playgroup needs you!

Richmond playgroup is a well-established setting for nurturing and supporting the development of all the children in our care, as well as providing and offering stimulating, fun and meaningful opportunities and experiences to set the foundations for early education.

The playgroup is overseen by a committee whose role it is to ensure that the setting fulfils all the requirements laid down by Ofsted and the Local Authority. The responsibility for the staff within the setting and the financial security of the playgroup is also part of the committee's brief. The committee consists of a Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. We have an imminent need for additional committee members and we are looking for volunteers to join our Playgroup Committee. It is a legal requirement for the organisation to have these members, and without them, the playgroup will not be able to fulfil its duty and therefore cannot run.

As a volunteer, you would be required to meet once a term for around an hour to discuss the ongoing running of the playgroup. You do not need to have had any previous experience/expertise in being part of a committee, just a willingness to support Richmond Playgroup behind the scenes.

If you are interested in joining, please call the Playgroup Manager on 01455 639923.