

Message from Miss Anderson

This week at Rivers our Sustainability Squad's vision has been coming together. Our kitchen garden has been created with each year group being allocated a vegetable box to plant with vegetables to grow and then cook and serve in our kitchen. You'll also have seen our path to forest school which the children will be planting with edible and sensory plants.

Y5 had a fantastic time at the zoo this week, the monkeys and talking parakeet were a firm favourite!

Please remember the importance of attendance - it really helps us when you call school to alert us of your child's absence as it saves the team time on either making home visits or calls.

Thank you for your continued support, have a lovely weekend.



Our week in early years

Nursery have enjoyed visiting the zoo in their role play area this week linked to their story 'Dear Zoo'. The children have learnt about zoo animals and have enjoyed taking care of the animals in their zoo hospital.

Reception have continued to enjoy their Literacy text 'I Wanna Iguana'. We had a very exciting visit from Birmingham Dog's Home this week and Reception were so proud to see that their persuasive letters had worked. We loved meeting all the puppies! The children were so respectful and careful around the dogs.

In Forest School this week, we began to look at making dens. We enjoyed working collaboratively as a team.



Our week in key stage one

In Year 1, children have been experimenting with pitch in music. They identified high and low pitches and sang songs with different pitches and used the glockenspiels to create their own high and low pitch music.

In English, as part of their story *The Way Back Home*, the children have been role playing conversations using a cup phone which they made. They turned these conversations into dialogue in our writing.

Year 2 have had a very exciting week this. On Monday they had a special delivery of 'Living Eggs' that arrived. Children waited eagerly as they hatched into chicks. The children have also had to be responsible by making sure the chicks are looked after and have everything they need.

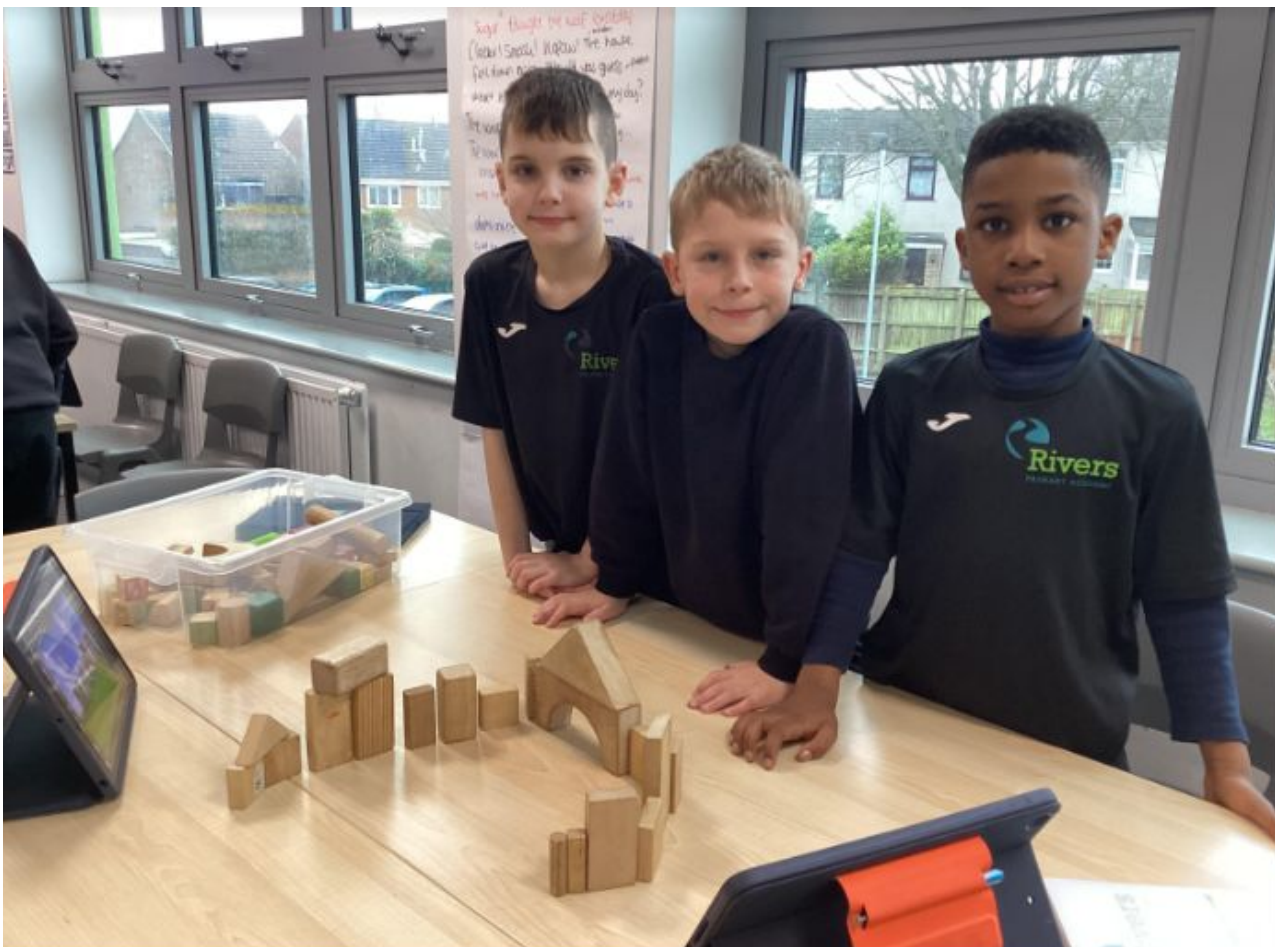
In English the children have started their new non-fiction text, 'In my Heart' and have thought about all the different feelings that they have.



Our week in lower key stage 2

Year 3 have had a fun week packed full of learning. They have been learning about Stonehenge in history. In groups they decided why they thought Stonehenge was built and then built their own models.

Year 4 have been authors this week! They have written their own stories linked to The Iron Man. They created a new character and took them on an adventure. Miss Holland and Mr Whitter loved reading all of their creative ideas!



Our week in upper key stage 2

It's been an exciting week in Year 5 this week! They enjoyed their trip to Drayton Manor this week where they visited the zoo and completed a workshop, both linked to their science units. They were superbly behaved and had a wonderful time!

Year 6 keep blowing us away with their hard work, determination and resilience in their lessons. In maths the children have been working hard on securing their knowledge of fractions, as well as mental methods.



Attendance

Golden Classes: Avon and Hvita

This Term's Attendance Reward

For children with attendance of 97% or better (no more than 5 days of absence)



Pastoral

How to make SOCIAL MEDIA SAFER AND KINDER

Social media can be a great way to connect with your friends, but it can also be a cruel and dangerous world. Here's how you can make it a better place for yourself and others.

Don't say anything that you wouldn't say to the other person's face. Insults hurt online too.



Don't post things you'd be embarrassed about if everyone could see them. Secrets are never safe online.



Remember that everything you post online could stay there forever, even if you delete it.



Don't talk behind other people's backs or make fun of them online.



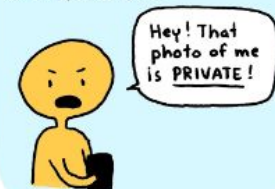
Don't accept friend requests from people you don't know.



Don't share personal information online, and never give anyone your password.



Don't post other people's pics or tag them without their permission.



If a friend is in trouble online, talk to an adult.



Report hateful, violent or inappropriate posts and comments.



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Family Bulletin

2 February 2024

This Week/Next Week

This Week	
Monday 5 February	
Tuesday 6 February	
Wednesday 7 February	
Thursday 8 February	
Friday 9 February	0900: Celebration Assembly invite only 1530: Finish for half-term break

Next Week	
Monday 19 February	
Tuesday 20 February	
Wednesday 21 February	
Thursday 22 February	Y2 Trip to the safari Park
Friday 23 February	0900: Celebration Assembly invite only

PE Days				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 2 Year 3	Nursery Year 1 Year 5 Year 6	Year 1 Year 4 Year 6	Year 4	Reception Year 2 Year 3 Year 5

