

Weekly Newsletter

Monday 25th January 2021

Message from Mrs Wright

I continue to be amazed by not only the children at Rivers, but our amazing families too! Thank you all for your continued support, commitment and dedication. Another great week at Rivers. Well done to Clyde for 93% engagement - that is phenomenal! Let's see if any other classes can beat that this week. We are all really proud of what we are offering for our remote learning and if you haven't joined any live lessons yet, then this is the week to do it! I also hear that there is lockdown rockdown happening this week? Who will be our TTRS champions?

Friday Celebration Assembly at 09:10 for Years 1-6

This is the highlight of my week and I look forward to hearing about all of the exciting things that have been happening in different classes. We will continue with this each week and I will post the link for it each Friday morning on dojo. Please do join!

COVID info

In Walsall on Wednesday there were 318 new cases of COVID-19 bringing the total number of people testing positive between 13 –20 Jan 2020 to 2200. The cases in Walsall still remain very high. Please remember to follow national lockdown guidance. You should not be mixing with any other household. Please help to protect our community and keep others safe.

Vaccine Scam: A fake text has been circulating and cold calls, advising people they can apply for a Covid vaccine and asking for payment. You will never be asked for payment or personal details. You can report this to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040

Remember to follow us on twitter www.twitter.com/riversprimary where we share daily all of the brilliant remote learning.

Engagement Leader Board

Class	Engagement
Clyde	93%
Nile	91%
Severn & Tiber	90%
Amazon	84%

Avon	81%
Foyle	80%
Fuji	79%
Kuma	78%
Ganges	77%
Hvita	73%
Thames	72%
Trent	75%
Penguin	65%



Year Group Update

Yet again, we've had another great week of remote learning in Year 4! It is truly wonderful to see how our WONDERFUL children have embraced learning through live lessons. We genuinely couldn't do this day in day out without the support and feedback provided by our community of parents and carers. For this, Miss Holland and Miss Ravat would like to say a huge thank you!

The Iron Giant



This week we have sadly waved goodbye to Hogarth and The Iron Giant, two characters we have studied and come to love during our English lessons. In our poems, we used comparative and superlative adjectives to create powerful similes to describe the Iron Giant. Here are some examples:

Iron Man,
Your head is like a grey metal dustbin, slowly turning.

Iron Man,
Your eyes are as bright as a glowing beacon, silently watching.

Millie

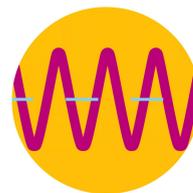
Iron Man,
Your head is like a big rusty dustbin, turning left and right as quickly as a cheetah.

I know an Iron Giant who has feet like a titanium single bed,
stomping around like a monster.

Mckaylah

How do we make different sounds?

In Science, we've been learning about what Sound is. This week, we were shocked to learn that every time we make a sound, we are actually creating a vibration in the air either by **striking** something, **plucking** or **blowing!**



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TT Rock Stars – Did someone just say, Lockdown Rockdown?



Calling all children in Year 4! Who will reign supreme in the Battle of the Bands? Will it be Hvita or Tiber? Who will rise to this challenge? Log onto TT Rock Stars and play to earn points for your class. Deadline: Friday 29th January 2020 at 15:00.

Aspire Ambassadors of the Week

This week, children have been awarded for displaying the learner skill 'I can be organised..'

	Remote learning	In school
Avon	Arya S	Isla-Rose M
Trent	Huzaiifa U	
Severn	Leylan J	
Thames	Alyssa HL	
Clyde	Ted W	Olly J
Foyle	Angel A	
Hvita	Mckaylah E	
Tiber	Joshua B	
Fuji	Andreea V	Archie H
Kuma	Lexi S	
Amazon	Abigail S	



Hot Chocolate Friday

For displaying role model behaviour at all times, children in school will be enjoying a socially-distanced hot chocolate with a member of the senior leadership team, and those at home will be receiving their hot chocolate in the post. Please send Mrs Dawes photos of you enjoying yours if you are willing to share.

	Remote learning	In school
Avon	Kai A	Muhammad s Leo C
Trent	Jake S	
Severn	Ashadieehyah LB	
Thames	Adrianna A	
Clyde	Elias H	Jenson W Daniel I
Foyle	Heidi S	
Hvita	Amelia-Rose H	
Tiber	Kai-Rhys BT	
Fuji	Ava G	Graham F Archie H
Kuma	Dylan B	
Amazon	Mariam A	

Rivers Family Challenge



This weekend we spotted our first Rivers display in a window whilst out on our daily exercise. Have you found it too?

Don't forget that during your daily exercise we're asking that you take a picture or even a selfie of any 'rivers' you spot and share with us via twitter - please remember to tag

us @riversprimary or with your class teacher via ClassDojo.

Rivers Reads



We are thrilled to announce that our **lockdown library** will be opening this week so that our key stage 2 children (years 3-6) can continue with their regular reading. The library will be open in our hall from Tuesday - Friday each day between 2.00 pm and 2.25 pm for children to be able to return their books and borrow others. Please do your best to attend on your relevant year group day (families with children in more than one year group please just choose one day to attend together). Please use our Livingstone Road pedestrian gate to enter and exit. Parents will be asked to remain outside and socially distance whilst the children select their desired books.

<i>Rivers Lockdown Library</i> 2.00 pm - 2.25 pm in the school hall			
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6

#MathsWeCan

Congratulations to the following children for improving their rockstar status. Please make sure that your child is logging onto Time Table Rock Stars.



Rock Legend (< 2 secs)	Rock Star (< 3 secs)	Headliner (< 4 secs)
Archie H (Kuma)	Xavier H (Kuma) Taliah B (Hvita)	Sophie M (Fuji) Maciej (Hvita)
Support Act (< 5 secs)	Breakthrough Artist (< 6 secs)	Gigger (< 8 secs)
Jenson W (Foyle) Ryan F (Fuji) Marshane C (Kuma)	Joanna P (Foyle) Tyler (Clyde) Daniel I (Hvita)	Elias H (Clyde) Olly J (Foyle)

Top 3 classes for last week:

	Class Name	% of active players
1st	Tiber	77%

2nd	Foyle	70%
3rd	Fuji	64%

If you know one of these facts, what other facts can you work out?

$$3 \times 9 = 27$$

27								
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3

$$27 \div 3 = ?$$

TIMES TABLE OF THE WEEK!



How many ways can you represent each fact?

$$9 \times 3 = 27$$

27		
9	9	9

$$27 \div 9 = ?$$

Weekly #mathswecan challenge: Numbers all around

KS1: How many items in your house have a number on them? TV remote control, clock, etc. Which object has the most numbers?

KS2: Take a box/packet of food. Add up every number on the packet. Check your answer with a calculator!

Send your answers, photographs or work to Mrs Dawes on Class Dojo.

Safeguarding

Online Safety:

Last week, we shared some information about keeping your child safe online.

Leaflets are also available in a range of other languages (Arabic, Bengali, English, Farsi, French, Hindi, Polish, Punjabi, Somali, Spanish, Turkish, Urdu, Vietnamese, Welsh) here:

<https://www.childnet.com/resources/supporting-young-people-online>

Domestic Abuse support:



'ANI' stands for Action Needed Immediately but also phonetically sounds like the name Annie. If a person is experiencing domestic abuse and needs immediate help, they can ask for 'ANI' in a participating pharmacy. If a pharmacy has the 'Ask for ANI' logo on display, it means they're ready to help. They will offer you a private space, provide a phone and ask if you need support from the police or other domestic abuse support services.

As ever, if you have a safety concern, please contact a member of the safeguarding team by calling the school office.