

## Weekly Newsletter

Week commencing Monday 22nd February 2021

### Message from Mrs Wright

I hope you all had a wonderful half term break. As you may well have seen in the media, the government announced that all children will return to school on Monday 8th March. We are excited to be welcoming ALL children back and are currently working on our plans for wider reopening. We will update you with these early next week.

Thank you to those that joined our first live PE lessons on Monday morning - what a great success and thank you Mr Perrin! Please continue to join our other sessions on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. It was great to see the children in school wearing their new PE tops. For all other children, these will be given out when they come back to school on Monday 8th March.

Don't forget to follow us on twitter [www.twitter.com/riversprimary](http://www.twitter.com/riversprimary) where we share all of the brilliant remote learning that we are achieving together.

### Engagement Leaderboard

Class	Engagement
Severn	94%
Tiber	87%
Kuma	86%
Amazon	84%
Clyde & Foyle	83%
Fuji	82%
Ganges & Nile	78%
Trent	75%
Thames	72%
Penguin	69%
Hvita	67%

Avon

48%

### Musician of the Half Term

Our new composer and musician focus for this half term is Adele. Adele is one of the UK's most well known solo singers. She is known for her soulful and powerful voice, and performs and writes many ballads. Her first single, Hometown Glory in 2007 was released when she was only 18. Why not as a family listen together to some of her music. This half term, the children will have fun learning some interesting facts about Adele ready for their weekly music quizzes - so keep a lookout for them!

### Aspire Ambassadors of the Week

This week, children have been awarded for displaying the character virtue, 'I am resilient.'

	Remote learning	In school
Avon	Logan WU	Kadiatou S
Trent	Carter P	
Severn	Denis C	Rhemaï LW
Thames	Freddie C	
Clyde	Laila-Blu N	Aston S
Foyle	Joanna P	
Hvita	Dominik B	
Tiber	Peyton B	
Fuji	Demi-Leigh T	Graham F
Kuma	Max C	
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.

	Remote learning	In school
<b>Avon</b>	Olivia-Rose Payne	Lillianne Pitcher Fraizer Hurst
<b>Trent</b>	Sapphire Delgado	
<b>Severn</b>	George Wright	
<b>Thames</b>	Lacey- Pearl Ball	
<b>Clyde</b>	Ted Woolaston	Hope Newman Taio Johnson
<b>Foyle</b>	Ayvah-Mae Duncan	
<b>Hvita</b>	Harry Bull	
<b>Tiber</b>	Harvey Jackson	
<b>Fuji</b>	Jasmine Foran	Kai-Morgan Bedward Archie Hancox
<b>Kuma</b>	Jayda Foran	
<b>Amazon</b>	Chloe Marlow	

## Behaviour Badges

Whether your child has been in school or logging into their live lessons at home, they have still had the chance to earn their two daily Dojo points for displaying our Aspire values and learner skills. The following children have now earned 50 points and will receive a bronze badge when they return to school. There are also some children who have earned an amazing 150 points and will be receiving their silver badge! A huge well done to all!

<b>Avon</b>	Bronze: Jenson Silver: Kai, Navjot, Amber-May, Olivia-Rose, Benjamin, Logan
<b>Trent</b>	Bronze: Leo, Harley-Jay, Chenai, Thomas, Chase, Jayden-Lee, Elsie, Jake, Kniko, Ella
<b>Severn</b>	Bronze: Preston Silver: Mia, Keyanna, Finley, Faith, Leylan, Ashadieehyah, George, Harmeet

<b>Thames</b>	Bronze: Jordyn, Ezra, Mazie
<b>Clyde</b>	Bronze: James
<b>Foyle</b>	Bronze: Olly
<b>Hvita</b>	Bronze: Tyrese, Julian, Darcie-Leigh, Mason, Thomas Silver: Taliah
<b>Fuji</b>	Bronze: La'nay Silver: Yahia, Alfie, Jenson, Jasmine, Aqram, Sophie, Kai, Billy, Isabel, Tiguidanke, Demi-Leigh, Elena, Andreea, Bella
<b>Kuma</b>	Silver: Eloane, Jayda, Archie, Alfie
<b>Amazon</b>	Broze: Kaylan Silver: Jaedyn

## Rivers Family Challenge



### Land's End to John O'Groats Challenge

This February all of the staff at Rivers have challenged ourselves collectively to either run, bike, walk, row, hop or skip 947 miles which is the entire length of the British Isles!

The staff have covered 586 miles to date which means we've arrived in Middleton-in-Teesdale.

We're looking forward to adding up the community miles from this half term - have you caught us up?

## Rivers Reads

Well done to all of you who have logged on to myON this week. Remember our academy target is for you to read for at least 10 minutes a day, 5 times a week. Research shows that reading together promotes and improves communication between you and your child. This week's top myON readers are:

<b>EYFS</b>		<b>KS1</b>		<b>KS2</b>	
Sarghun KD	93 minutes	Jake S	286 minutes	Hanif LB	341 minutes
Logan B	42 minutes	Ashadieehyah	203 minutes	Aqram LB	236 minutes
Jett W	32 minutes	Mesha C	142 minutes	Daniel IE	234 minutes
Bella A	24 minutes	Anita P	128 minutes	Yahia A	164 minutes

Jaxson W 17minutes

Guravdeep B 101 minutes

Millie T 141 minutes

KS2, don't forget to link your myON account with your Accelerated Reader account. Here's our top word readers for this week. Will anyone be able to join Aqram and Demi-Leigh on our library wall of fame on our return?

Readers	Words Read
Kai-Rhys BT	169,441
Aqram LB	59,329
Millie T	15,307
Yahia A	6,283
Jaedyn A	6,136

This week's **lockdown library** will be open on Friday 2.00 - 2.30pm in the school hall.

### #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 Star (< 3 secs)	Headliner (< 4 secs)	Breakthrough Artist (< 6 secs)	Garage Rocker (< 10 secs)
Ebere (Fuji) Maja (Amazon)	Heaven (Thames) Tiguidanke (Fuji)	Rhiley (Foyle)	Mia (Severn)

**TIMES TABLE OF THE WEEK!**

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

**$4 \times 7 = 28$**

28						
4	4	4	4	4	4	4

**$28 \div 4 = ?$**

How many ways can you represent each fact?

**$7 \times 4 = 28$**

28			
7	7	7	7

**$28 \div 7 = ?$**

(Visual representation: 28 purple hearts arranged in a 4x7 grid)

Top 3 classes for last week:

	Class Name	% of active players
1st	Tiber	87%

<b>2nd</b>	Foyle	80%
<b>3rd</b>	Fuji	79%

**Weekly #mathswecan challenge: Shape hunt**

**KS1:** Count how many of the following shapes you can find in your house: squares, rectangles and triangles.

**KS2:** Measure the area of the smallest and largest rooms in your house. What is the difference between your answers? (Top tip: If you do not have measuring tape, use your feet!)

Send any work or photos to Mrs Dawes on Class Dojo.

## Safeguarding

Times are tough for many people right now. Parents find themselves pulled in many different directions and children may be struggling being in the house for so much longer than usual.

A mixture of concern about covid, work from home and children at home, along with a possible financial impact make for a stressful household.

Young Minds have created a useful 'Supporting Parents Helpfinder'. By answering six questions, parents can find out how to support their child's mental health during the pandemic (and beyond).

Find the help finder here: <https://youngminds.org.uk/supporting-parents-helpfinder/>