

## Weekly Newsletter

Monday 1st March 2021

### Message from Mrs Wright

Firstly, a huge well done to those children that have been engaging with live learning this week. The figures from Severn, Kuma and Tiber are fantastic! I continue to be impressed with the hard work that is happening across the school. There are some exciting things happening for our final week of remote learning.

As we prepare this week for our return to full opening from Monday 8th March, there will not be any live lessons on Thursday or Friday this week. Remote learning will continue to be set on Dojo (EYFS & KS1) and Google classroom (KS2) for these days so please ensure that you are still continuing with remote learning on Thursday and Friday from home. We are very excited to welcome you all back on Monday 8th March.

### World book day Thursday 4th March:

This week we will be celebrating world book day. Have you got an empty toilet roll lying around? It's time to get creative! Using an empty toilet roll, design a character from your favourite book. Be as creative as you like.



On Thursday 4th March at 09:10 we will be holding a special virtual World Book Day assembly where you will have the opportunity to share your character and favourite book. Who will you make? We can't wait to see your designs.

### Who is behind the mask?

Which member of staff is hiding behind the book? Have a look on dojo to enter our competition. You can enter via the Parent mail under the heading "The Masked Reader Quiz March 2021" the entrance fee is £1.00 and the winner will receive a £20.00 Book Voucher. All funds raised will go towards books for our new library.

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

## Engagement Leaderboard

Class	Engagement
Severn, Tiber & Kuma	90%
Penguin, Avon & Amazon	81%
Hvita	80%
Fuji	79%
Foyle	77%
Ganges	74%
Clyde	73%
Thames	72%
Trent	68%
Nile	57%

## Artist of the Half Term

Edvard Munch was born on December 12, 1863, in Løten, Norway. He grew up in Oslo and studied art. Munch's parents, a brother, and a sister died while he was still young, which probably contributed to the bleakness of much of his work. Between 1892 and 1908, Munch spent much of his time in Paris and Berlin, where he became known for his prints—etchings, lithographs, and woodcuts. After 1910 Munch returned to Norway, where he lived and painted until his death. *The Scream*, or *The Cry* (1893), is probably his most familiar painting.

## Aspire Ambassadors of the Week

This week, children have been awarded for displaying the learner skill virtue, 'I can self quiz.'

	Remote learning	In school
Avon	Arya S	Ryder J
Trent	Mesha C	
Severn	Harmeet B	Porsha C

<b>Thames</b>	Bashir U	
<b>Clyde</b>	Layan A	Keeba S
<b>Foyle</b>	Jenson W	
<b>Hvita</b>	Julian F	
<b>Tiber</b>	Joshua B	
<b>Fuji</b>	Jenson D	Rhianna C
<b>Kuma</b>	Xavier H	
<b>Amazon</b>	Joshua H	



## 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>	Amber L	Azari C Leo C
<b>Trent</b>	Sapphire D	
<b>Severn</b>	Rubie-Rose C	
<b>Thames</b>	Heaven G	
<b>Clyde</b>	Ethan M	Keegan E Jenson W
<b>Foyle</b>	Honey-Mae S	
<b>Hvita</b>	Vlad L	

<b>Tiber</b>	Phoebe W	
<b>Fuji</b>	Aqram LB	Sophie M Tiguidanke S
<b>Kuma</b>	Shyar A	
<b>Amazon</b>	Junaid H	

## Rivers Family Challenge



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

Hooray! On Thursday 25 February the staff team arrived in John O'Groats 3 days ahead of schedule. What an excellent achievement, thank you Mr P.E.rins for getting us up and out exercising this month.

On the return to school all our children will be taking part in 'run the river' we hope you parents join your children too.

## 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 for 20 minutes of reading per day exposes readers to 1.8 million words per year! This week's top myON readers are:

<b>EYFS</b>	<b>KS1</b>	<b>KS2</b>
Sarghun KG 80 minutes	Jake S 234 minutes	Hanif LB 158 minutes
Bella A 39 minutes	Bashir U 192 minutes	Aqram LB 154 minutes
Jaxson W 15 minutes	Mesha C 118 minutes	Jaedyn A 136 minutes
	Mohammad 107 minutes	Oliva S 93 minutes
	Arya S 95 minutes	Mariam A 35 minutes

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

<b>Readers</b>	<b>Words Read</b>
Jaedyn A	13,921
Angel A	9,856

Millie T	5,558
Aqram LB	5,235
Maja M	5,054

## Safeguarding and Pastoral

Please see below for details of Walsall's Easter holiday programme.

### WALSALL RIGHT 4 CHILDREN HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Our Walsall Right for Children Easter Holiday Programme provides **free meals and activities** for children and their families who are eligible for free school meals across Walsall.

The programme will provide your child with access to **fun, free activities and online resources** to engage with during the **Easter Holiday** as well as access to a **free food box** helping you to cook healthy meals.

Because of Government's guidance around COVID-19 most of the Easter programme will be delivered through activity packs and online activity session. Families who don't have access to Internet will be able to book on face to face provision.

#### How to Book:

Please register your child at: [https://go.walsall.gov.uk/children\\_and\\_young\\_people/haf\\_signup](https://go.walsall.gov.uk/children_and_young_people/haf_signup) using your unique access code: **WS1 13592**.

Once we have received your online registration we will be sending out the full programme to you.

If you are unable to register online please ring 01922 653899 to register your child

Hurry,  
sign up now!  
Limited spaces  
available on some  
of the activities.



Now more than ever it is important to talk to your child about staying safe online and about the apps and sites that they are using.

The link below has tips and resources on how to talk to your child about staying safe online:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>

Remember, if you have a safeguarding concern or pastoral query, then please contact the safeguarding or pastoral team.