

Weekly Newsletter

12.01.2024



Happy New Year

Happy New Year to you All. On behalf of the Team, we do hope you had a lovely break and are ready and raring for another action-packed term.

Attendance & Holidays

By end of Autumn Term, our cumulative, in-year school attendance was just 'expected' at around 95%.

This was impacted by illness (unavoidable) and a **significant rise in term time holidays, including days out and long weekends (avoidable).**

Please avoid taking holidays during school time: not only do children miss out on all the fun things we do, it leads to gaps in their learning which means lower attainment, not to mention disruption to your child's social development and routine, too.

There are 190 days in a school year. This leaves 175 days available for short breaks and holidays. Please use these.

If you want to know what your child's attendance % is in-year, just email me. Here's a useful guide:



Please report absences on ParentMail: these can be picked up more quickly by office staff.

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday: Local Heritage Day: Riddell

19th January: FOES Disco

23rd January: Riddell School Trip: West Stow Anglo Saxon Village

w/c 22nd January: Year 6 Assessments

w/c 29th January: Year 3 4 5 Assessments

Homework Curriculum Plus Assembly











Lovely to see so many children logging in and playing games over Christmas, either on their Numbots, Times Tables Rockstars, Spelling Shed or Active Learn accounts. I do hope pupils found time to read a little every day, too.

Our next Curriculum Plus Assembly is Monday PM in school and I can't wait to give some well-deserved shout-outs!

Well done, Earth!

Speaking of which...

...Top 10 Spelling Shedders!

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FOES Disco: January 19th

See flyer below. Sign up via ParentMail and pay on the night. Money goes back in the FOES pot



FOES PRESENTS

£4 PER CHILD

SCHOOL DISCO

Friday 19th January

6 – 7:30pm

Look out for the Parentmail to register your child's attendance!

Treats included, please send your child in with a water bottle. Refills will be available.

TTRS: Nearby Schools

We've now climbed to **7th position (out of 30)** nearby schools in the league tables

Shireen Class Heat Map

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Riddell Class Heat Map

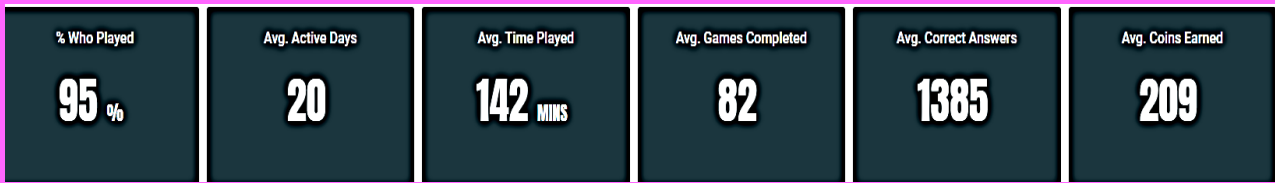
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Gold Class Heat Map

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Nifty Numboteers

Lovely to see children in Reception & Year 1 putting in some practice on Numbots, too. Whether at home, or at school – subitizing, number bonds, addition & subtraction:



Active Learn Primary Maths (Year 1 to Year 6)

90% of registered players have played, either at school, or are playing fun maths games regularly at home. Fabulous. Need your child's login? Call school.

Census Day lunch:

Thursday. As many children as possible having lunch on Thursday supports our funding.

Census Day Menu

THURSDAY 18th January 2024

Pork Sausage Hot Dog

Vegan Sausage Hot Dog

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans

Ham or Cheese Picnic Box

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Chips

Baked Beans

Sweetcorn

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Chocolate Iced Cookie

Fresh Fruit Salad

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feeding the imagination

Redecoration: Carpets

Blue carpets: x3 classrooms; intervention room and ICT suite. Please encourage your child to wipe their feet outside on the new mats, and on entry (built-in mats!). We do hope your child likes them and feels a sense of pride in their newly painted and carpeted classroom.

PE cupboard tidied and another learning space/intervention nook to follow!

Redecoration: Library

Library: painting, new library shelving: works start just before and during half-term – fab!

Light Snow

Forecast for late next week, as it stands. Look out for any updates – we'll text if we need to.

Head Lice

Please check your child's head regularly as parents have reported cases of head lice recently.

Learning Highlights of the Week

Highlight Jeffers:

It has been lovely to welcome Jeffers class back after the holidays. The children have set up new role play and construction areas in the classroom. During PE this week, it was lovely to see the children working with a partner as they developed their chasing and dodging skills.



Highlight Shireen:

Shireen Class have made a great start to their learning about Sidney, Stella and the Moon, making some excellent predictions and working well together to sequence events from the story.

Highlight Riddell:

In Riddell Class this week, we have started our learning about rivers, light and the Anglo Saxons! We have identified and named the different parts of a river, learned how light is essential for us to see, and discovered who the Anglo Saxons were and where they came from.

We have also started reading our new class text, Riddle of the Runes, and been using the sense to help us when writing action sequences.



Highlight Gold:

The highlight this week came during our geography lesson. After learning about air pollution, the children discussed and shared their ideas about its dangers, and how to solve the problem. All discussions were based on evidence, were well-considered and conveyed with clarity.

Curriculum Champions

This week's Curriculum Champions are:

Jeffers Class: Harrison, Riley, Jasmina

Shireen Class: Elsie W, Ayla, David

Riddell Class: Amelia, Lucas, Lauren, Maya

Gold Class: Lily, Henry, Millie



Attendance Matters



100% Attendance = 100%

Winning class for week ending 20.12.2023

Riddell Class: 96.32%

Whole School: 93.81%

HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK:



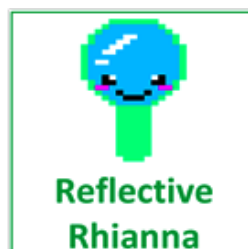
[Community News and Events this week:](#) - click [HERE](#)



Please see Sid the Cygnet on his website page – click [HERE](#)

Reading Blog [HERE](#)

Celebration Awards Assemblies - click [HERE](#)



New in green; Emphasizing/Revisions in yellow

Spring 1

19th January: Disco
w/c 22nd January: Year 6 Assessments
w/c 29th January: Year 3 4 5 Assessments
6th February: Safer Internet Day 2024

Spring 2

w/c 26th February: Year 1 & 2 Assessments
w/c 4th March: Year 6 Assessments
7th March: World Book Day Legend (dress as any character you like!) Book Club Event TBC
8th March: Year 1 & 2 Class Assembly
11th March: Queen Mother Handwriting Competition
12th March: DT Day: British Science Week
15th March: Big Red Nose Coin Drop (assembly)
15th March: Science Day: British Science Week
19th March: Parents Evening 3
20th March: Parents Evening 4
23rd March: World Maths Day (Saturday) – celebrating 22nd March in school
26th March: PM Egg Rolling Competition
27th March: PM: Egg Decorating
28th March: Assembly & FOES Egg Hunt **TBC**

Summer 1

22nd April: Pool Opens **TBC**
26th April: Year R Class Assembly
w/c 13th May: KS2 SATS Week (Year 6)
17th May: FOES Disco: **TBC**
20th May: Healthy Week
w/c 20th May: Year 2 Assessments
24th May: Sports Day

Summer 2

w/c 10th June: Phonics Screening Check & Assessments (Year 1)
w/c 3rd June: Year 3, 4, 5 Assessments
Between 3rd – 14th June: Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
21st June: World Music Day
1st & 2nd July: Bikeability (Year 5 & 6)
4th July: Sid the Cygnet's 4th Birthday: Geography Fieldwork & FOES Sponsored Walk: **TBC**
8th – 10th July: Hilltop Residential (Year 5 & 6)
15th -19th July: Transition Week: **TBC**
17th July: EOY Reports released
19th July: Head's Award, Badges, FOES Best Dressed Summer Theme, Leavers Assembly
19th July: Year 6 Enterprise funded lunch: **TBC**
19th July: Year 6 Pool Party PM: **TBC**