



NEWSLETTER



September 2020

Newsletter No: 1

STAFF NEWS

This Academic Year we are delighted to welcome some new staff onto our team.

Firstly we are delighted to welcome Miss Freere joining the Year 1 teaching team.

Mrs Munday is joining the TA team in EYFS and Mrs V. Lewing and Miss Richardson are joining the SEN Team.



Finally we are really delighted that Miss Archer's wedding went ahead and she returns as Mrs Kearns - CONGRATULATIONS

COVID NEWS

As we return to school following the most challenging and unusual time, our aim is to re-establish routines and get back to a sense of normality as soon as possible.

Unfortunately, however we will not be able to undertake some of our usual events under current guidelines, including activities that require larger indoor gatherings such as indoor PE, Assemblies and productions.

Sadly, it will also mean that events such as Parent Partnership; Open Classroom and some PTA gatherings may have to re-start later in the Academic Year.

In the meantime we will try to ensure that you are kept informed of all the latest news through E-Mail; Facebook and Class Dojo, as well as putting information on our Website.

CLUBS (KS1):

We have been in touch with our Club providers and are currently in the process of ensuring procedures are robust.

This may mean clubs will start later in the Term, please bear with us.

We will be in touch as soon as we can.

PARKING:

Please remember to park safely and with consideration for our neighbours—Thank you

COVID-FIRST AID PROCEDURES

Firstly, it is important to remember that research is telling us that the infection rate for young children is very low and that they are at minimal risk of being seriously affected in the unlikely event they contract Coronavirus.

As a result the school will follow government guidance

with regards to anyone displaying symptoms, including children.

We ask that you do not send your child to school if they are displaying any symptoms.

If they begin to display symptoms whilst in school we will isolate them out of the classroom and you will be asked to collect them. Parents are asked to en-

gage in the Track and Trace system and to get their child tested.

With a Negative test result children can return to school.

Should a test result be positive this will result in the year group bubble being asked to self-isolate for 14 days, during which time home learning will be provided.

IMPORTANT DATES IN TERM 1—Fingers crossed

PTA New Parents Event—
17.09.20 @ 7.00PM

PTA AGM:
24.09.20 @ 6.30PM

PTA Mc Millan Coffee Morning
25.09.20

Virtual Open Classroom: **01.10.20**

Individual Photos: 13.10.20

CREATIVE WEEK w/c 19.10.20

DIARY DATES FOR THE YEAR—ATTACHED

DIARY DATES: Diary Dates for the next Academic Year are attached to this Newsletter

CHANGES TO PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

If at any time in the year your circumstances change and you claim:

- Income Support
- Income based job seekers allowance
- Income based employment support allowance
- Support from NASS
- Support from Local Authority SSAT
- Child tax credit with joint income of no more than £16,190 (but not if also in receipt of working tax credit)

Then please notify the office as your child will become eligible for one of our free home learning tablet devices.

BUSY BEES AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB:

Unfortunately Busy Bees have informed us that they are unable to re-open their after-school club under current Covid-guidelines.

They will keep this under review and reassess at the end of Term 1.



CHANGES TO CONTACT DETAILS

Please would you ensure that you let us know as soon as possible if any of your contact details change.

If you change your mobile number; E-Mail address; or postal address please contact the school office.

Alternatively please E-Mail us on:

office@riverview-infant.com

And we will amend your details accordingly.

Thank you.

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK PTA FACEBOOK PAGE FOR LATEST UPDATES

BREAKFAST CLUB:

Don't forget our Breakfast Club has started and runs all the time that the school is in session **from 7.30AM.**

Our Breakfast Club is for Infant children only; if you have junior aged children please contact the junior school to access their Breakfast club.

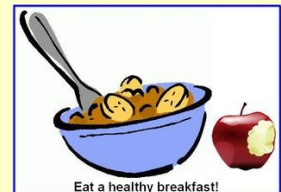
This year we are delighted to be part of an exciting Breakfast initiative.

7.30AM – 8.35AM - CHILDCARE SERVICE; comes with a free breakfast. **£2.50 per day, £12.50 per week.** Please use online booking system. Log onto school money/ Breakfast club

8.20AM – 8.35AM - FREE BREAKFAST
Please give **Mrs Sylvester** a ring on: **07983 751 674** to make arrangements.

PLEASE NOTE THIS SERVICE IS ONLY AVAILABLE AFTER 8.20AM

BAGEL STATION – Free Bagel pieces available for your child as they arrive in class.



VIRTUAL OPEN CLASSROOM: 01.10.20 on Class Dojo

SCHOOL FUND:

As you know we do a lot of events and themed days with the children, also having visitors and theatre groups etc, all of which cost us a great deal of money.

This is the time of year when we ask parents for a £10 donation to School Fund to help us with these costs.

Please use our online payment

system to make your donation.

In order to try to maintain the number and quality of activities we have provided in the past we need every one to pay their school fund.

Thank you.



PTA

As you can imagine current events have had a devastating impact on the PTAs ability to raise additional funds.



This year your help and support will be needed more than ever so please **WATCH OUT** for events and support wherever possible

Please remember NO DOGS are allowed on the playgrounds—Thank you

CAN YOU HELP?

Do you have any spare time to help out in school?

We are always looking for willing volunteers to help with activities, clubs, lending libraries and in the classroom.

We also need helpers to deliver milk to the classrooms in the mornings and to hear readers

If you helped a specific teacher last year and would like to help that teacher again then please approach them directly.

Last year we were very fortunate to have a band of very dedicated helpers who made a significant difference to the achievement of the children



IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP PLEASE CONTACT MISS GARRARD, VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE

SCOOTER RACK



Don't forget that you can park your children's scooters in our scooter rack during the day, all you need is a padlock.

The Scooter Rack is located by the ramp to the Community Room.

Please remember no scooters can be ridden on the playgrounds.

TCS KITCHEN RE-OPENS TO PROVIDE FREE HOT LUNCH

PARENT CONSULTS

Due to the current situation we are hoping to be able to hold our first Parent Consults in Term 2.



SCHOOL COLLECTION

Under current government guidelines we must ask that you socially distance as you wait for your child and leave the school site immediately once you have collected them.

Please only use your allocated gate.

Thank you.

WEBSITE

Don't Forget you can find lots of information on our Website, including links to other educational sites.

Why not have a look at:

www.riverview-infant.com

Individual Children's Photos will be taken on Tuesday 13th October.

HARVEST:



Unfortunately we are unable to hold a Harvest Festival this year.

However, we are still hoping to collect donations for the Food Bank.

PLAYGROUND:

Please remember that when you collect your children from school at the end of the day that the school that they should NOT be playing on the school equipment.

We cannot be held responsible for any accidents/ injuries to younger siblings playing on the equipment.

Please ensure that any younger children are supervised at ALL times.

Any damages to our equipment will need to be paid for. Thank you.

FREE FRUIT SCHEME



We have been notified that this scheme should be restarting this September.