

**OUR FOCUS VALUE THIS TERM IS PERSEVERANCE.**

**“I haven't  
FAILED.  
I've just found  
10,000  
ways that  
WON'T WORK”  
-THOMAS EDISON**



**Congratulations to our award winners this week:**

**Bronze Awards: Finlay Munro, Isabelle Berry-McPherson, Isabella King, Jack Cleworth, Jackson Lane, Zain Anglesea Khan, Charlie Dagnall, Daniel Owen, Tallulah Roberts, Gracie Davenport, Lukas Orgill, Phoebe Greenhalgh.**

**Silver Award: Isobel Bromilow, Owen Kewley and Riley Webb.**

**Outstanding work: Karsten Taylor, Macie Calvin and Theo Orgill.**

**Our Seven Wonders are: Mae Roper, George Parkin, Jackson Lane, Roxy Vose, Evie Mae Fishwick.**

**Well done to you all and keep up the progress and hard-work!**

**We are now going to alternate our Seven Wonders and Rivington Remarkables week by week so that we can increase teaching time and reduce the demands on Parents. Please come and see me if you would like to discuss this further. Many thanks for your understanding.**

**World Book Day – CHANGE OF DATE!** Our School P.E. provider has had to change their provision day from Thursday to Friday and school were only informed of this on Tuesday. As a result, we are now changing World Book Day to **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018**. I hope that you appreciate the difficulties in changing 'Gangsta Granny' into a P.E. kit and then back into a costume again! This is the reason that, as a school, we were never able to celebrate World Book Day on World Book Day! To raise money for school reading provision Children are invited to bring in £1 and come dressed up as their favourite book character and bring their favourite book to share with their class. **There will be a prize for the most original and inventive costume in**

**each class. Please see the link below for some ideas which are simple and very minimal in cost!**

**<https://www.bookaid.org/support-us/world-book-day/world-book-day-dress-up/>**

**On Wednesday 7th March** we are having a visit from the Alternative Book Shop. Details will be sent out nearer the time.

**Parent Council:** The next Parent's Council meeting will take place on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 10am at the Lower Barn, Rivington** – all are welcome!

**Parent Pay:** Please can you ensure that all Parent Pay accounts are up-to-date.

**Dropping Off and Picking Up From School** –In the interest of the safety of the children and all pedestrians, please avoid parking on the zig-zag lines or near the terrible bend or on the pavement in any circumstances. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Reporting your child absent:** If your child is unwell and won't be able to attend school, please contact school to inform us of the absence. This can be done by telephoning school and selecting option 1.

**Parent Drop in Tuesday mornings 10:00am** Every Tuesday morning at 10:00am Mr Sands (Chair of Governors) will be in school to meet with Mrs Annette. If any parents/ carers have anything they wish to discuss please let us know in advance and we will make sure we are available.

### **SCHOOL BANK!**

Our School Bank takes place in 'The Tree House' every Friday from 2:45pm.

**Free School Meals:** All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 automatically qualify for universal free school meals. However children in the infants and the juniors may qualify for free school meals because you are in receipt of certain benefits, in which case you need to register your eligibility. If you are eligible your child could qualify for Pupil Premium funding from the Government which will come into school to improve pupil attainment or provide additional opportunities. If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact the office.

**School Illness:** We would like to inform you that there has been confirmed cases of chicken pox at Rivington; therefore we would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the procedure for when to keep your child at home and when it is appropriate to send them back to school, should your child develop the symptoms of chicken pox.

Our school policy states that if a child is suspected of having chicken pox, parents will be contacted immediately and asked to collect their child from school. All children should remain at home until **all** chicken pox spots have crusted over to

avoid further spread of the illness. Should any child return to school before this time, parents will be contacted and asked to collect them and take them back home.

Can I also inform you that we have had a confirmed case of Scarlet Fever

We appreciate your understanding on this and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact with us.

### **Maths Pre-Learning!**

Do you want to give your child an advantage in their learning in Maths for next week? These activities will help give your child a solid start with next week's learning!

**EYFS:** Count - steps up the stairs, money into a money box etc. Ask children to say how many without counting (5 or fewer). Play games using a dice and encourage child to say how many spots without counting

**The staff have requested that we have a week of times tables practise at home.**

**Y1/2: 2x, 5x, 10x, 3x and 4x!**

**Y3/4: 2x, 5x, 10x, 3x, 4x, 6x, 7x, 8x and 9x!**

**Y5/6: All of the times tables, division facts, square roots, square numbers, fractions of amounts.**

## Spring Term 2nd Half:

**Thursday 1st March:** World Book Day.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March: Parents Council Meeting, The Lower Barn, Rivington: 10:00am.

**Wednesday 7th March:** Alternative Book Shop for World Book Day – More details to follow!

**Monday March 5th:** Full Governors Meeting 4:30pm

**Wednesday 7th March:** Alternative Book Shop for World Book Day – More details to follow!

**Thursday 8th March:** Non-uniform day – bring in an Easter Egg for Easter Bingo.

**Friday March 9th:** Y1/2 Mother's Day Assembly.

**Thursday 15th March:** Non-uniform day – bring in an Easter Egg for Easter Bingo.

**Wednesday March 21st:** Egg-rolling 1:30pm in the school grounds.

**Thursday March 22nd:** Easter Service in Church 1:30pm.

**Thursday March 22nd:** Easter Bingo PTA – more details to follow!

**Friday 23rd March:** Easter Parade in the Hall.

**Friday March 23rd:** Easter 'Get Together' 2pm in the Hall.

Please come and see me if there are any issues with the above.

Thank you to all parents, carers and families for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Annette

