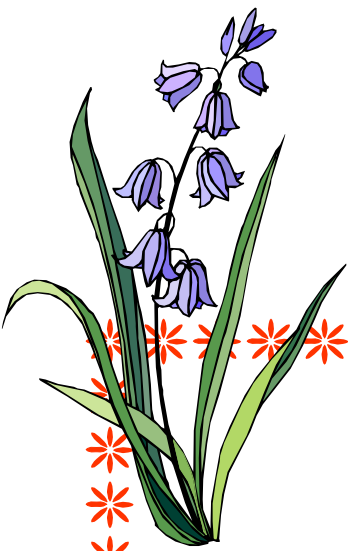
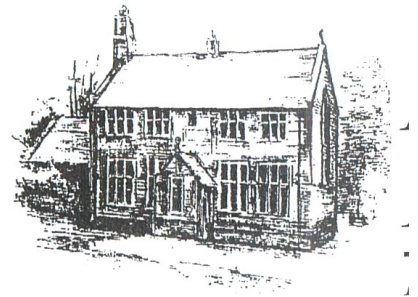


MAY NEWS



Rivington In Bloom!

Our school is part of a cluster which includes schools from Coppull, Chorley, Charnock Richard & Brinscall. This year the Cluster is holding an 'In Bloom' competition... All the children have taken a good look at the grounds and gardens to put together ideas to make Rivington an even more beautiful place!

Working together.....we need your help....

Each class has an area of the Grounds to improve and make 'blooming' lovely!

Specific requests *will* be coming home—there has been mention of Tyres (KS1 Y3/4) and no-longer -needed Wellies (Y3/4- for planting)

FLOWERS ON FRIDAY June 12th. Please send your child in their gardening clothes, together with a tray of bedding plants—a tray of 6 , or more- depending on the type of flower, We need brightly coloured Geraniums, marigolds, pansies- any brightly coloured bedding will be perfect !

Gardening for Grown Ups! If Gardening is your passion, please let your child's class teacher know.

All help is appreciated!

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS...

Our School Council are always very busy! They're always working hard 'behind the scenes' or holding events to raise money for Improvement projects in school and the grounds . Ollie and Alice gave a fantastic presentation in Get Together last Friday about their fundraising. This will be available to read , along with other news on School Council noticeboard next to Y5/6 classroom.

MEETING MR SANDS....

Last Wednesday , members of the School Council met with Mr Sands our Chair of Governors , to discuss their role in school and have a Q & A session. Lily & Alex have given us a 'window' on the questions asked by the School Council

Why are you a Governor? I am a Governor because I want the best for the school.

Why do you visit School each week? I visit School because Mrs Carter is new to the role of Headteacher and also to see what is – or what has been– happening in School each week.

Do you go on training courses to learn how to be a Governor? Yes, there are courses which you can attend and they are mainly on subjects like the curriculum, safety and children.

Do you get paid? No , I do not get paid. Although we could claim our expenses but we choose not to because we like to give back and let School keep the money.

How do people from the local community get involved with the Governors? They just have to apply when there are vacancies, five people from the local community are Governors.

This is just a snapshot of a fascinating interview! The whole interview is to be put on the Governors' webpage.

E Safety Workshops for Parents Put 10th June in your Diary!

4pm-5.30pm Practical individual advice sessions with the O2 Gurus- ask about your phone, tablet, ipad, etc- bring it in if you want to for the Gurus to show you how to be safe for your children online! Come and talk to the experts....Keep your child safe!

5.30-6pm Presentation about the dangers of being online, different platforms, parental controls, what to do if you are in doubt...

6-7.30 As the 1st session....more time to talk to the Gurus...make the most of their expertise !

A local Primary School has alerted us recently after a n incident with a Y6 child—check APPs and Games where there are Chat Rooms—check the security of these. They are not always secure and pose a danger to your child.

Welcome

It is with the greatest pleasure that we would like to give a huge Rivington welcome and our congratulations to Mrs Elaine Birch, who has been our 'temporary' cook for the last 3 years and recently has been made a permanent member of staff!

Welcome to team 'Rivvy' Elaine!

Congratulations...ALSO To Elaine and our dedicated kitchen staff who ensure that the children have their meals each day, with all care & due regard for health & safety regulations, The school kitchen, its routines and practices were audited very recently by LCC.

Everything was found to be in excellent order, all regulations adhered to and all health & safety guidelines followed. We know that our staff have the highest of standards and it is good to have this recognised.

Well Done Y2 & Y6 on your best efforts all through SATs week tests!

And more...and moreCongratulations!

Chorley Sports Dance

Competition Triumph!

Fabulous news...

Our Dance team won the very well deserved 2nd place! Their choreography really impressed the judges, this had been refined and rehearsed daily.

The girls showed both commitment and fabulous teamwork.

Special mention to our solo dancers Ellie and Ella who were placed fantastic 4th & 5th!

Congratulations

**Sally, Ella,
Ellie, Mia & Milly !**

Chorley Sports Duoathlon—Wow!

Last weekend –but one- Rivington children represented themselves outstandingly at the Duoathlon event. Our Y3/4 team; **Calvin, Riley and Lara**, at first were given 5th out of 28 teams, with Riley recording the fastest cycle ride time of all 28 cyclists! After consideration about timing they have moved to 1st place!!

Amazingly-**Oliver H.** did the whole of the team events himself - excellent effort and determination! Whilst in the individual events **Felix** came 2nd out of 7, with **Ethan C.** 11th out of 45. Fabulous! **Congratulations to all our entrants- great teamwork all round.**

Tae Kwon Do Have you thought of trying it.....?

Mr Ellison would like to offer a free taster session of Tae Kwon Do on a Thursday morning to anyone who is interested and is thinking they might like to take it up.....everyone taking up the 'Try It' challenge will have their name entered into a free draw for a Tae Kwon Do Suit !

Our School has 5 children at Black Belt level! Oliver H. Ethan C. James M, Jake S & Luke S Amazing!

STOP PRESS....GLAZING CLASS.....

If you were part of the Ceramic Art Workshops earlier this year, there is a GLAZING CLASS to paint the Glazes on the fired pottery. It is on JUNE 11th from 3-5pm in school.

and another Welcome.....

Another huge Rivington welcome to Mrs Hilton (Shaws' Foundation Governor) and Mrs Haydock (Parent Governor) as the two new members recently appointed to our Governing Body. We would like to thank them for their commitment to our school.!

Governors in School

Our Governors play a very active part in our School—it is very good for our staff, school and children to have their interest and support. I fully appreciate their support and advice on many different matters about school.

Their work is not just done at Governors' meetings; to be able to make informed decisions and fully understand school life, the commitment extends far wider:-

- ◆ Each week since September I have a meeting with Mr Sands –our Chair of Governors' to discuss school policy, developments or issues. This is valuable support for a new Headteacher and much appreciated.
- ◆ Every half term Mrs Lucas S.E.N. Governor has a review meeting to discuss provision, practice and progress of children with additional needs.
- ◆ Our curriculum Governors will have observation sessions in school to help fully understand their subject area.
- ◆ The 'Tuesday Group' meets each half term to analyse data, and track progress.
- ◆ Mr Young –Finance Governor– works with Mrs How on the Schools' Financial Standard and Budget setting.
- ◆ Attending training courses on Governance, Finance, Health, Safety & Safeguarding.

Other duties include:-

- ◆ Invigilation of SATs testing. –Mrs Gregory
- ◆ Researching and learning about School policies, procedures; enabling questions to be posed that give depth and challenge to the leadership of school.
- ◆ Being part of the appointment & Interview process for Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher and other appointments in school.
- ◆ Meeting with Parents and families.
- ◆ Meeting with School Council Q&A
- ◆ Meeting with other community members eg Church warden
- ◆ Being a 'Class' governor and building a relationship with that class.
- ◆ Attending School events to represent the Governing Body.

These are just **some** of the duties our Governors undertake—Their work is very often unseen in schools, but it is the impact that is visible.

**Our school is a better place for their commitment and support!
With many thanks to our Governors on behalf of all members
of our school community.**

What date is considered to be the first day of Spring?

Have you seen Y1/2 butterfly project on the website or in class....amazing!
 Ask any child in Y1 or Y2 to tell you about the life cycle of a butterfly..
fantastic learning happening!



Remember P.E Kit is shorts or Tracksuit bottoms, not leggings.
 P.E kit must be School PE kit - please check it is all named!
 Thank you!

SCHOOL DINNERS.....IMPORTANT NOTE....

If dinner forms are not sent back to Mrs How in good time then we are sorry that we are unable to guarantee the chosen option. Likewise if the form is not returned at all—then an option will be chosen as meals have to be ordered in advance from the Anderton School Kitchens which prepare or dinners.

If this happens your child may find they are given an option they do not like. There is nothing we can do at this point.

PLEASE ENSURE FORMS ARE RETURNED PROMPTLY.....THANK YOU!

BONUS BALL WINNERS..it could be you.....

10-01-2015 39 Victoria Read	17-01-2015 4 Christine Houghton	24-01-2015 17 Sam Hiller	31-01-2015 15 Not bought
07-01-2015 22 Kathy Brophy	17-01-2015 22 Kathy Brophy	28-02-2015 43 Sharleen Hart	07-03-2015 31 Joanne Cornes
14-03-2015 45 Christine Shaw	21-03-2015 30 Mrs E Liversedge	28-03-2015 48 Anna Lally	18-04—2015 10 Paula Grimes
25-04-2015 47 Michelle Loftus	02-05-2015 36 Ericka Marsland	09-05-2015 18 Not bought	16-05-2015 17 Sam Hiller

Please help...the KS1 & KS2 Cloak- rooms have been n danger of being taken over by homeless jumpers, coats , PE kit..... and fleeces!!

Carl — has had to battle against this growing fleecy hazard! (2 binbags full last week !)

Much tidying has gone on, but now -We need your help...Please check if any items of clothing are missing and track them down! Named items have been sent home , the rest has been put into the cellar—for eventual retrieval or the next uniform sale.

If at any time, your child comes home without an item of clothing, please make sure they collect it the following day to avoid this happening again.

Thank you for your support !

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