



The Riverside Reporter



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We value children who:

Strive for
excellence

Make the
right choices

Build
relationships



KS2 Author Visit

Dates for your diary

Fri 22nd May – Culture Day

Fri 22nd May – Year 6 trip to Boulter's Lock

Fri 22nd May – break up for half term

Mon 1st July – Children back to school

A word from Mr Daniels

Every child a happy learner

YEAR 6 SATs WEEK

This week our Year 6 children have sat their end of Key Stage 2 SATs tests. Firstly, thank you all our Year 6 parents who have ensured that their children were at school everyday and well prepared for their tests. We are very proud of the Year 6s; they all worked extremely hard to both prepare for and complete their tests. We now wait until July to find out how they have done. But regardless of their results, we are proud of the Year 6s dedication and hard work to prepare for these tests.

CULTURE DAY

Next Friday (22nd May) is our annual Riverside Culture Day. It is one of the highlights of the year. Children should either wear traditional clothing or clothing based on the colour of the flag of the country that they are representing. During the day, the children will:

- attend an assembly that celebrates the diverse nature of Riverside,
- complete an art activity based on different cultures,
- take part in a dance workshop, and
- have their parents visit their classes and sample foods from around the world.

Parents are reminded that they are invited into school at 2:30 next Friday afternoon to join their children in class. If parents could please remember to bring in some food from the culture/country that they are representing. Please list the ingredients of any food you bring in and please don't bring any nut products into school.

AUTHOR VISIT

This week, Year 4&5 had an author, Julia Blackburn, visit them to talk about the process of taking a book from an idea to a published product. The children (and staff) thoroughly enjoyed her input. Please see below the feedback that she gave the school.

"Thank you so much for welcoming me to your lovely school today. I had a blast, and was so impressed by the students - their behaviour, engagement and creativity were second to none. Please thank them, and the class teachers and teaching assistants who supported the workshops.

Finally, I meant it that I would love to see any stories or colouring that arise from the workshops. With your/the students' permission, I could share them on my homepage which children seem to quite like. [Here is the link for downloadable colourings](#) if anybody feels inspired!

That's it. It was lovely to meet you, and thank you so much for your kind and generous hospitality.

Julia

[Julia Blackburn Books](#)"

NEW STAFF

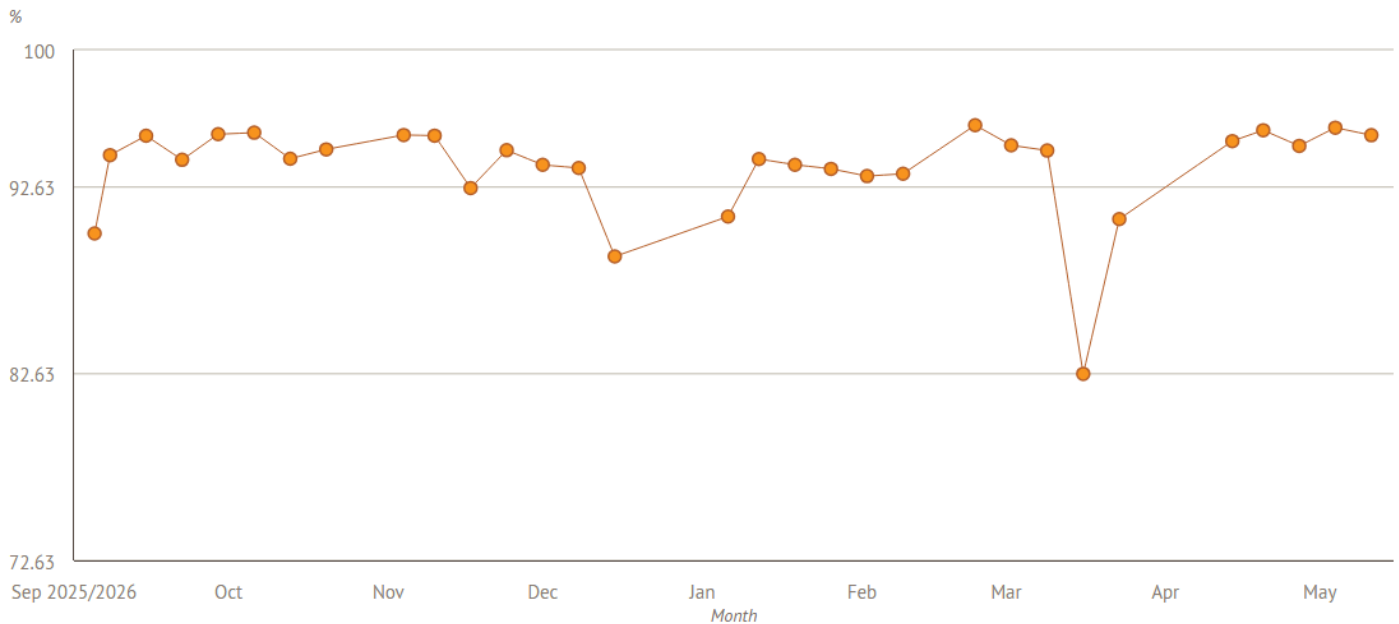
Over the past couple of week's, we have had three new members of staff join the Riverside Team. These adults may well be supporting your child in school with their learning. The new members of staff are: Helen Colton, Gurjeet Bahra and Percy Teeder. We welcome them to the team and hope that they enjoy their time at Riverside.

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE RESOURCE BASE CLOSING

You may have seen in the local press that our Speech and Language Resource Base is closing at the end of the year. The reason for the base closing is that we are no longer receiving referrals that match the criteria for the base. Most of the children in the base are moving on to secondary school in July.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

We have had another really good fortnight of attendance! Thank you for continuing to bring your children to school every day. A number of children who have had attendance below 90%, are now above the 90% mark due to sustained attendance! If you receive an email for the office today informing you that your child's attendance is below 90%, please endeavour to send your child to school every day for the summer term to raise their attendance above the 90% threshold.



Year	% Attendance YTD
Reception	91.7%
Year 1	93.1%
Year 2	94.2%
Year 3	95%
Year 4	95.8%
Year 5	94.7%
Year 6	94.9%
Riverside Average	93.7%

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you at Culture Day next Friday.

Richard Daniels

Headteacher

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EVENTS SO FAR in TERM 5

Year 3 and 4 Golf Skills
Festival at Winter Hill Golf
Club in Cookham



Football match against
Holyport and Courthouse
School

V Courthouse WON 4-3

V Holyport LOST 0-1

V Cookham Rise LOST 0-4

Year 3 and 4 Dynamo Cricket
Skills festival at Pinkneys
Green

Some Photos from the events



We came 3rd
out of 9 teams.
Well done to
the team!!



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Some Photos from the events



'Oakapple days'

Free Family Fun Day



You are invited to this fun day at
Pug Yard Learning Centre, Windsor Castle,
on 26 May 2026 from 1000 -1400.

During the day there will be fun workshops to
take part in, crafting tables , dressing up and a
treasure hunt to keep your little ones busy.

Booking is necessary. Note: no entry to The Castle (closed)

Booking link. <https://tickets.rct.uk/product/11/6761>

**Why not bring a
picnic to enjoy?**





June 2026 Taplow United



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Taplow United FC, Berry Hill,
Taplow, SL6 0DA



Tuesday 2nd June - 18:15 - 19:30
Girls U8 & U9

Wednesday 3rd June - 18:15 - 19:30
Boys U7, U8, U9, U10

Thursday 4th June - 18:15 - 19:30
U11, U12, U13, U14, U15

Saturday 6th June - 09:30 - 10:45
Boys U7's, U8's, U9's, U10's

11:15 - 12:30
Boys U11's, U12's, U13's, U14's, U15's

Saturday 13th June - 09:30 - 10:30
Girls U8 & U9



Coaches - Football cannot
happen without you. We are
always on the lookout for more
coaches. Please get in touch
to find out more.



FREE Bowls Buddies session on **SATURDAY 6th JUNE 10.00am – 12 Noon on SAT 6th June** at **Desborough Bowling Club**, Green Lane, Maidenhead, SL6 1XZ (**Please note location & booking details not on flyer!**)

Bowls Buddies introduces Bowls to younger children through this innovative fun programme, adapted to introduce the principles of bowls with soft, smaller bowls, that can be played indoors, and give children lots of success early on. Placed in a carousel of fun, simple target challenges, this activity is fun for all the family and all abilities, and very addictive as you strive to beat your personal best!

It has also been proven to effectively engage children in sport who are not currently engaged with the more traditional sports, such as football, netball etc. This fits nicely with our aim as a School Sport Partnership to get more children, more active, more of the time, so trying something new is a great way to start! Bowls can be quite a calming activity, making it appealing for some pupils who face a variety of challenges through the school day.

Bowls Buddies allows the introduction of more physical activity elements into Bowls delivery too in a fun, welcoming environment.

Maidenhead Bowling Club are opening up their international standard indoor rink to local children with the aim of launching a new junior section where the sessions will be **FREE** to attend.

Come along and try something new and explore one of Maidenhead's gems! This is Crown Green Bowls, but not as you know it!!!

TO SIGN UP FOR YOUR FREE PLACE(S)

- To sign up to attend this **FREE** taster Session please complete on line Google Form <https://forms.gle/Xd3BH1rrKx1MVPJ66>

For more information please contact **Desborough Bowling Club** on **01628 629403** or **Kaye Storrow** at kaye@desboroughbc.com

3'S ARENA FOOTBALL

at Braywick Leisure Centre

Thursday 28th May | 10:00–12:00 Ages 8+



No booking required. Simply turn up, pay £3, and play. For more information, please contact activecommunities@leisurefocus.org.uk.



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TRAMPOLINING AT BRAYWICK LEISURE CENTRE

Join us this May Half Term and Bounce, jump, and soar —
endless fun for every little one!



TUESDAY 26TH MAY

9AM – 9:55AM: Age 5+
10AM – 10:55AM: Age 7+
11AM – 11:55AM: Age 10+