



The Riverside Reporter



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We value children who:

Strive for
excellence

Make the
right choices

Build
relationships



A Twinklly KS1 Nativity!

Dates for your diary

Fri 19th Dec – School finishes at **1.15pm**

Mon 5th Jan 2026 – **SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY**

Tues 6th Jan 2026 – School re-opens – 8.40am

A word from Mr Daniels

Every child a happy learner

MERRY CHRISTMAS

As we break up for the Christmas holiday, I would like to thank all parents for being so supportive of the school this term, particularly over the past few weeks with all our Christmas festivities. Over the past few weeks, it has been a privilege to watch so many of our Riverside children perform to an audience. These presentation skills of talking to an audience with confidence and clarity are a vital part of the school's ORACY project. Both Year 6 classes did their class assemblies and they not only spoke well but showed just how much learning they have done this year (oh, and their musical performance was great!)



This week, the school was treated to an amazing iRock concert. It was really evident how much work and practice our iRockers had put in over the course of the term. Their timing was much improved and they played with passion and confidence!

Last week, we were treated to some amazing Nativity shows. Both the Reception and the KS1 nativities were absolutely brilliant. The children's costumes looked great, the children all spoke with confidence and clarity and the quality of the children's singing was brilliant. A special thank you to all the Riverside staff who worked so hard to prepare the children for their performances.

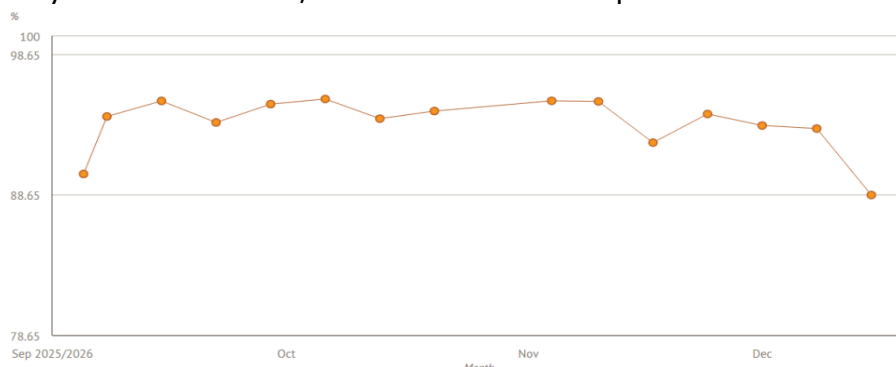




Children enjoying their Christmas dinners!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Up to two weeks ago, our school attendance data has been very good! Thank you for bringing your child to school every day. Unfortunately, due to many children getting ill over the past two weeks and a number of families taking their children out of school to go overseas, our attendance data has dropped significantly. When we come back to school in January, it would be great to get our attendance data back up to where it was a fortnight ago. If your child is absent, a reminder to email or phone the school office to let us know.



Year	% Attendance YTD
Reception	87.9%
Year 1	85.1%
Year 2	83.5%
Year 3	92.3%
Year 4	90.4%
Year 5	92.2%
Year 6	86.8%
Riverside Average	93.9%

From everyone at Riverside, we wish you and your families a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas break.

Richard Daniels

Headteacher

Riverside Primary School & Nursery

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CHRISTMAS FAIR – DECEMBER 2025



**AMOUNT
RAISED**

ALMOST £1000

A massive thank
you to all our
staff, especially

Miss Shepherd, parents and volunteers for
making this happen.



PE NEWS

Term 2

CLASS	Falcons	Kites	Eagles	Kestrels	Winning Team (20 points)	2nd place (15 points)	3rd Place (10 points)	4th Place (5 points)
Holly Benchball	15	10	20	5	Eagles	Falcons	Kites	Kestrels
Hawthorn Benchball	20	10	15	5	Falcons	Eagles	Kites	Kestrels
Walnut Dance	75	55	65	70	Falcons	Kestrels	Eagles	Kites
Willow Dance	95	75	85	60	Falcons	Eagles	Kites	Kestrels
Poplar Bench Ball	2	8	2	1	Kites	Falcons Eagles		Kestrels
Pear Bench Ball	1	4	5	2	Eagles	Kites	Kestrels	Falcons
Oak	45	35	50	45	Eagles	Kestrels Falcons	Kites	
Olive	80	90	68	65	Kites	Falcons	Eagles	Kestrels
Beech and Birch Stations	247	221	255	223	Eagles	Falcons	Kestrels	Kites
Chestnut D J Raphi	70	60	75	70	Eagles	Kestrels Falcons	Kites	
Cherry Just Dance	40	40	30	30	Falcons Kites	Kestrels Eagles		

1ST PLACE HOUSE GETS 20 HOUSE POINTS

2ND PLACE HOUSE GETS 15 HOUSE POINTS

3RD PLACE HOUSE GETS 10 HOUSE POINTS

4TH PLACE HOUSE GETS 5 HOUSE POINTS

ACTIVE LIVES SURVEY

A massive thank you to both year 1 and Year 2 parents that filled in the Active Lives Survey, it went from 6 responses to 29 after the school fair.

I just wanted to say thank you very much to all parents that responded and we should get a report about it in February sometime, at which point, I will share some of the report.

Many thanks to Khairat and Khalifah for their help in getting the message out to parents at the Xmas fair too.

Have a wonderful Christmas – Mrs Jacqui Barnes