



The Riverside Reporter



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We value children who:

Strive for
excellence

Make the
right choices

Build
relationships



Children enjoying the Great Athlete visit

Dates for your diary

Fri 13th February – School finishes at **3.15pm** – **Half term**

Mon 23rd February – School re-opens 8.40am

Every child a happy learner

GREAT ATHLETE VISIT

On Friday 20th January, Riverside was visited by an Olympic cyclist Kelly Murphy. All of the children took part in a circuit of exercises and they all had a great time participating.

The morning was wrapped up by an assembly lead by Kelly who shared her story of how she became an Olympic cyclist.

A total of **£655.56** was raised through sponsorship.

A massive thank you to our families for supporting this event. This money will go towards buying new sports equipment for our school.



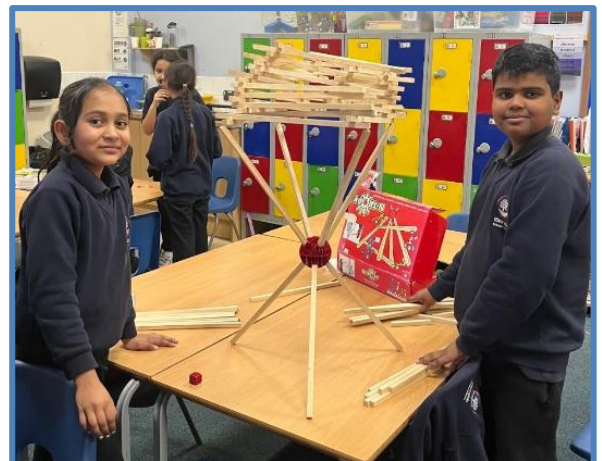
SHARING OUR STORIES



This term in DT, Year 5 have been creating pop-up books. This week the children took their completed pop-up books and read them to the children in Maple and Mulberry Class. The Year 5's books had sliders, pop-ups and levers to make them come to life. The younger children loved having the older children read them a story and loved seeing how the stories were brought to life with moving parts. Well done Year 5!

GOLDEN TIME FUN

Every Friday afternoon, each class in the school has 20 minutes of Golden Time. The aim of Golden Time is to reward the children for their hard work over the course of the week. Children can choose from a wide variety of games and activities. All the games and activities are designed to improve the children's EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING; this includes: working memory, turn-taking, flexible thinking, impulse and emotion control and task organization. Children love this special time on a Friday. Classes whose weekly attendance is above 96%, get an extra 5-minutes of Golden Time!



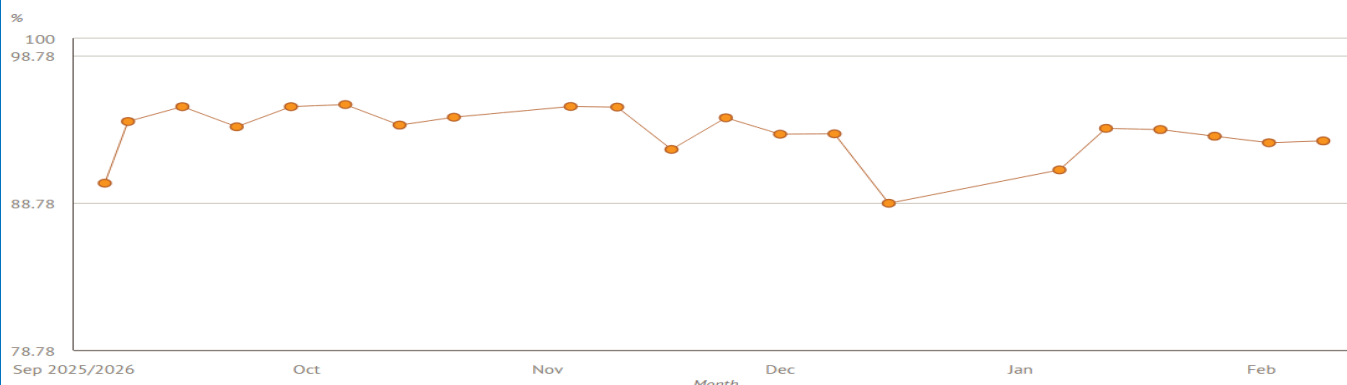
YEAR 4 CLASS ASSEMBLIES



This week, both Year 4 classes presented their class assemblies to their parents and to the Year 3 classes. We were all very impressed, not only with how much learning the children had completed, but also with how well the children used their ORACY skills when presenting to an audience. Thank you to all the parents who attended these assemblies to support their child.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Attendance rates have improved over the past few weeks, but we are still below our targets of 96% attendance. Could I please remind parents to inform the school office (via email or phone call) every day that your child is off school. The office spends a lot of time chasing parents who have not informed the school of their child's absence.



Year	% Attendance YTD
Reception	91.8%
Year 1	93.6%
Year 2	93.7%
Year 3	94.1%
Year 4	96.1%
Year 5	95.1%
Year 6	94.3%
Riverside Average	93.7%

I wish you and your families a relaxing half term break.

Richard Daniels

Headteacher

Riverside Primary School & Nursery

PE

Year 5/6 Mini Ballers Festival at Desborough College on 26 January

What a fabulous morning at Desborough College, 10 of our Year 6 were chosen to represent Riverside Primary School at this participation event and believe me they did not disappoint at all. Not only did they mirror the Desborough College school values of Courage, Kindness, Respect and Leadership but they also demonstrated Riverside's values of Striving for Excellence, Making the Right Choices and Building Relationships.

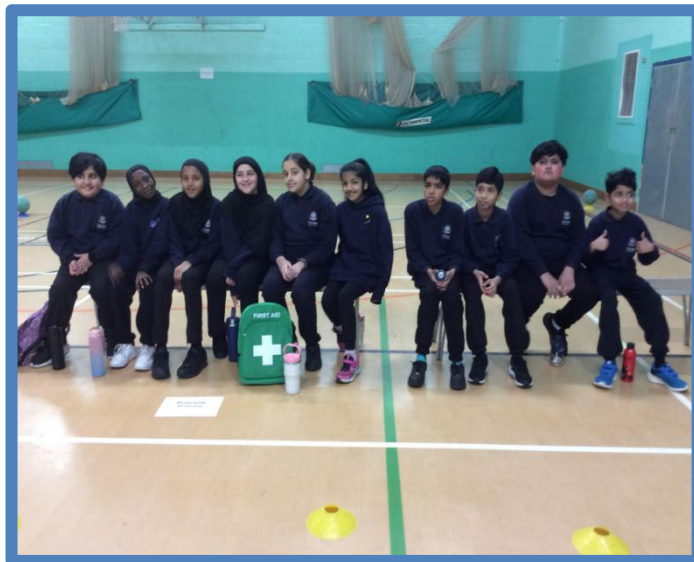


They were an absolute pleasure to take and well done to Akiv, Fatima, Mohammad Essa, Asia, Inaaya, Habiba, Abdul-Rahim, Faizan, Sofia and Sumeiya for being absolute superstars! They completed 8 different stations concentrating on defensive marking, dribbling, shooting, passing skills and then played 3 games against other schools in the School Sport Partnership.



A particular well done to Sumeiya for displaying the Desborough values and being voted by the rest of her team for showing this! We even saw Zaky who is now in Year 8 at Desborough and has become a Young Sports Leader.

Thank you to parents for dropping off and picking up on time, will share some of the lovely action shots from this morning!



NETBALL TEAM

Well done to the dedicated Riverside Netball team who played against one of the strongest teams in the league!

They worked so hard and never gave up throughout, we just need to get more opportunities in attack, Holyport's defence was so solid.

The first quarter was a good start, the score was 2-1 to Holyport and by half time it was 3-1, in the third quarter it went up to 7-1, their shooter did not miss a goal at all and in the last quarter, the final score was 11 to Holyport and 1 to Riverside. We have another match next week and our target is to get a higher score in our next game. Watch this space for more details in the next game. Well done to Khalifah for getting Player of the match and well done to Isha who played in her first match, well done to Khairat, Aiza, Inaaya, Max, Skylar, Sumeiya and Bakhtawar,

I love the enthusiasm of this team, keep up the hard work!



A huge well done to the Riverside netball team this evening - after a very sunny day at long last, the sun continued to shine for Riverside as they managed to secure a win against Furze Platt Junior School

It was a very good result and the team felt triumphant at this great victory

After the first quarter - we were winning 2-0, by half time the score was 4-2, in the third quarter the score narrowed to 6-5 and in the final quarter, we scored again twice making the final score 8-5 to Riverside, it was so nice to get some more goals for the team!



Well done to Khalifah for being player of the match and well done to Isha, Inaaya, Max, Skyla, Bakhtawar, Sumeiya, Aiza and Khairat and thank you to the parents who came and cheered us on.



Mulberry class reading with our Year 5's

Chinese New Year

