



Welcome to Year 5/6!

The Year 5/6 teachers are:



Mrs Brailey  
(Meerkat)



Mrs Mills  
(Rhino)



Miss Marshall &  
Mrs Robson  
(Kangaroo)



Mrs Murray  
(Koala)

As your child is in Year 5/6, their phase leader will be:

Mrs Murray

## The Year 5&6 Transition Meeting for parents will be held on Friday 5th September at 3:30pm in the Blue Hall

### School Day Timings

The gates will be open from 8:40am. The gates will close and registration will begin at 8.50am.

Children will receive a 15 min break throughout the morning and will have an hour lunch break between 12:00 - 1:00pm.

Afternoon gates will open at 3.15pm and the end of the KS2 day is 3.20pm

### Drop- off and collection arrangements

At the beginning of the school day, all UKS2 children should enter via the UKS2 doors on the KS2 playground. A member of staff will be on the door to greet them and to relay any messages to class teachers. Please ensure that children arrive on time for school. If they are walking to school by themselves, kindly make sure they are not too early, as they will be unsupervised outside the school premises before the gates open.

Thank you.

#### End of Day

If you wish for your child to walk home by themselves please complete the form which will be sent out during the summer break. Permission for mobile phones will also be taken at this point.

If you have not completed this form, we will keep hold of your child until a parent/guardian comes to collect.

#### Meerkat Class

Children who are being collected by a parent/guardian must be collected from the **KS2 Hall door**.

Children who are allowed to walk home by themselves, will walk out of this door by themselves.

#### Rhino Class

Children who are being collected by a parent/guardian must be collected from the **KS2 Hall door**.

Children who are allowed to walk home by themselves, will walk out of this door by themselves.

#### Kangaroo Class:

Children who are being collected by a parent or guardian must be collected from the **UKS2 playground door**.

Children who are allowed to walk home by themselves, will walk out of this door by themselves.

### Koala Class

Children who are being collected by a parent or guardian must be collected from the UKS2 playground door .

Children who are allowed to walk home by themselves, will walk out of this door by themselves.

### Attendance

**Regular attendance is crucial! Attend today to achieve tomorrow!**

We monitor attendance closely and contact you should we be made aware of any worries or concerns. Parents must adhere to the pupil attendance policy when reporting pupil absences. We are not able to authorise holidays under any circumstances. We will always work with parents to support good attendance and the teacher responsible for attendance is Miss Shaw, Deputy Headteacher.

### Uniform

Full uniform is expected every day, except for PE days where only correct PE kits are allowed. We have high expectations of uniform in year 5 and 6 and expect children to adhere to the uniform policy without exception.

- Children are allowed to wear a watch - digital or fitbits are allowed (no watches which have smart capabilities.)
- Children are allowed 1 pair of stud earrings (no other jewellery allowed)
- Only navy blue jumpers/cardigans are allowed.
- Your child will be asked to remove any items, which are not part of the school uniform.

For all information regarding uniform, follow this link to our website:

<https://www.riversideprimary.co.uk/school-uniform/>

### PE

Children need to attend school in their PE kits when it is their PE day which are:

Koala Class Tuesday  
Kangaroo Class Tuesday  
Rhino Class Thursday  
Meerkat Class Thursday

All kits must follow the uniform policy which is a white T-shirt (no logos unless the Riverside logo), navy shorts, black plimsolls/trainers. Long hair must be tied back and earrings must not be worn on PE days – staff are

unable to remove these.

Please ensure PE kits are weather appropriate depending on the time of year. For swimming, children are expected to bring their swim-wear, towel, goggles and a swim hat.

If a child cannot do PE due to lack of kit or not being able to take out their earrings, they will still be expected to take part in a different role such as a coach, scorer or analyser. However, PE is a compulsory subject where 2 hours per week needs to be accessible to all children.

### Extra-curricular clubs

If your child has a morning club, they should come dressed for their morning club, bringing their school uniform with them. After their club has finished, they will be given time to change into school uniform for the day. If your child has an after school club, they should come dressed in their school uniform and bring their PE kit with them.

## Equipment

### Pencil cases

Children are allowed to have a small pencil case that fits neatly on to their locker but as they will be given a pack of equipment to use throughout the school day they won't be allowed to have them on their desks.

This pack can include:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• HB pencil</li><li>• 30cm ruler</li><li>• glue stick</li><li>• black pen</li><li>• purple pen</li><li>• coloured pencils</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• small children's scissors</li><li>• 1 small rubber/eraser</li><li>• Pencil sharpener</li><li>• Yellow highlighters</li><li>• Dry wipe pens</li></ul> |
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### Lockers

In year 5 and 6 the children have lockers instead of trays. In their lockers, they must be able to fit all of their belongings including their coats and bags.

### Water bottle

Please make sure your child has a labelled water bottle in school every day

**Children are not to bring in any toys to school, this includes fidget toys unless agreed by school staff.**

## Healthy Break time Snacks

As the children are in KS2, they need to bring in their own healthy snack for break time.

**Snacks must be fruit or vegetable snacks only.** Processed fruit i.e., Fruit Winders or YoYos are not permitted. However, unprocessed packaged fruit i.e., a packet of apple slices or box of raisins are allowed. A polite reminder- no snacks containing nuts as we do have children in school with severe allergies. Thanks for understanding.

## Homework

### Weekly Homework

- A piece of English or maths homework (alternating weekly), this should take children between 30- 40 mins to complete.
- Reading 20 mins, 5 x week (Accelerated Reader book).
- Spellings 5 mins, 5 x week .

Full expectations for homework can be found in our [Homework Policy](#)

### Recording Completed Homework:

- Each piece of English homework that is completed needs to be uploaded on your child's Google Classroom Page. Homework assignments will be posted to your child's Google Classroom page on a Monday. You child can choose to submit their work on a Google Document or if they complete it in written form, they can take a photo of this to then upload onto Google Classroom.
- Children complete maths homework from their own CGP homework book which can be purchased at the beginning of the school year. Pages that are expected to be completed from this will be posted onto Google Classroom
- Your child will be given a spelling folder and each week they will receive their new list of spellings to put into this, their spelling practise needs to be recorded on this sheet.
- Please record every time your child completes a read of their Accelerated Reading book in their yellow reading logs.

**All homework is given out on Monday and is due to be handed in on the following Monday.**

If children are finding it difficult to complete their homework at home, the homework club is open every day at lunch time. If you or your child is still facing challenges, please make an appointment with your child's class teacher to discuss. We are here to support.

**Reading Logs** may be checked at any point throughout the week so they must always be in school and signed every time a child reads at home - they will be collected in every Friday.

## Communication with school

If you have any queries or concerns that you need to make your child's class teacher(s) aware of, please send these to the relevant class email address:

Meerkat - [meerkat@riversideprimary.co.uk](mailto:meerkat@riversideprimary.co.uk) Mrs Bailey

Rhino - [rhino@riversideprimary.co.uk](mailto:rhino@riversideprimary.co.uk) Mrs Mills

Kangaroo - [kangaroo@riversideprimary.co.uk](mailto:kangaroo@riversideprimary.co.uk) Miss Marshall & Mrs Robson

Koala - [koala@riversideprimary.co.uk](mailto:koala@riversideprimary.co.uk) Mrs Murray

A member of staff is also always present on the gates and doors in the morning, if messages for that day need to be relayed to the class teacher e.g. pick up arrangements, child feeling unwell etc.