

This is the next exciting step in your child's learning journey. Over these important years, we'll continue to nurture their love of learning through a fun and engaging environment. We look forward to seeing their independence grow and even more of their wonderful personalities shine through.

CLASSES



Seal Class (Year 2)

Miss Smith



Dolphin Class (Year 2)

Mrs Martinson Mrs Chandler



Otter Class (Year 1)

Mrs Pallett Mrs Axcell



Bear Class (Year 1)

Mrs Beard



Lion Class (Year 1)

Mrs Kruse



GENERAL

Drop-off and Pick-up

- **Morning:** Children arrive between 8:35 and 8:45, entering through the shared door.
- **Afternoon:** Pick-up is at 3:15, from the classroom door.

Daily Routines

- On arrival, children begin with early morning work to settle into the day.
- A snack is provided by school, but children may also bring a healthy fruit or vegetable snack from home if they prefer.
- Please send book bags, not rucksacks, as storage space is limited.
- Water only in bottles, please.



Breakfast Club	7:30 - 8:35
Early Morning Work Registration	8:35 - 8:45
Phonics/Reading English	8:45 - 10:20
Break Time	10:20 - 10:35
Maths Maths Meeting	10:35 - 12:00
Lunch Time	12:00 - 13:00
Registration Assembly	13:00 - 13:30
Foundation Subjects	13:30 - 15:15
Collection	15:15
Twilight Club	15:15 - 17:00



PE

Seal Class	Thursday
Dolphin Class	Thursday
Lion Class	Tuesday
Bear Class	Monday
Otter Class	Monday



READING

We continue to use the Floppy Phonics reading scheme throughout Year 1 and Year 2.

Your child will stay on Floppy Phonics books until they have completed the full scheme.

After this, they will move on to Accelerated Reader, meaning children will transition at different points throughout the year.

Accelerated Reader assesses your child's comprehension every half term through an online quiz, which gives them a personalised

reading level.

Children can also complete quizzes for their home reading books via the Children's Hub online.



READINGATHOME

- Books are changed weekly.
- We ask that you read with your child at least 5 times a week.
- Please record each read in their reading diary and ensure it's signed by a parent or carer.

Top Tips for Reading at Home:

- Make it an enjoyable time keep it fun and relaxed.
- Try taking turns to read a page each.
- You could read a sentence first, then have your child repeat it.
- Re-reading familiar books is highly beneficial the more often they read it, the better!
- We don't rush through the book bands developing comprehension skills is just as important as fluency.
- And don't forget reading aloud to your child is just as valuable too!



HOMEWORK

- Week 1:
 - Year 1: Phonics CGP Workbooks
 - Year 2: Reading Comprehension CGP Workbooks
- Week 2:
 - Year 1 and Year 2: Maths CGP Workbooks

These booklets are very valuable in supporting your child's learning at home.

Spellings will begin shortly, and more information will be shared at that time. Children will receive a weekly spelling list linked to the phonics or spelling rules they have learned that week.

• Homework will be given out and collected on Mondays.

Extras to support learning at home:

- TT Rockstars
- Phonics Play
- SumDog



WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL NEED

Please ensure your child brings the following items each day:

- Book bag
- Their reading book
- Their reading log book
- A water bottle (water only)
- A healthy snack (if bringing one from home)
- A coat (when needed)
- A sun hat (in warm weather)
- Please make sure all items are clearly named.
- On sunny days, we recommend applying an all-day sunscreen to your child before school.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Full uniform is expected every day with the exception of their PE day where they are expected to wear their PE kit.

Uniform includes:

- Navy trousers/skirt
- Plain white/navy socks with shorts/skirt
- Navy tights with skirts
- Navy/black socks with trousers
- Navy cardigan/jumper
- Light blue shirts with ties
- Flat, black smart school shoes/plain black smart trainers

Summer uniform includes:

- Navy shorts
- Navy blue gingham check summer dress

Ties do not need to be worn in the Summer Term

Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled.

PEKIT

All kits must follow the uniform policy which is:

- Plain white t-shirt
- Navy zipped hoodie or sweatshirt
- Navy tracksuit bottoms/leggings/shorts
- Appropriate 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. In the winter, children should wear joggers and a hoodie.

On swimming days, please ensure your child brings:

- Swimming costume/trunks
- Swimming hat
- Goggles
- Towel
- Appropriate bag to keep their kit in (not a plastic bag)

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.

Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

We love to celebrate the special moments and achievements of every child in our school family.

Ways we recognise and share successes include:

- Parents' Evenings in the Autumn and Spring Terms, where we'll also share your child's next steps for learning
- Verbal praise
- Stickers
- Team points
- 'Star of the Week' certificates
- 'Writer of the Half Term' certificates
- Reading certificates
- Mentions in our school newsletter

COMMUNICATION

We use a variety of ways to keep you up to date with school news and your child's learning:

- Social media accounts facebook and instagram
- Curriculum newsletters
- Weekly school newsletters
- ScoPay for payments and important messages
- Class email accounts feel free to get in touch with any questions or updates
- The school website for key information and updates
- A member of SLT is on the gate each morning
- A member of staff will greet you at the classroom door

SCHOOL DINNER

All children in Key Stage 1 are entitled to a free school meal, which is served in the Red Hall.

- We follow a three-week rotating menu.
- Vegetarian options are available every day.
- If your child has any special dietary requirements, please let us know we are happy to cater for individual needs.
- Further information regarding school dinner, can be found on the school website:

https://riversideprimary.co.uk/parents/lunch-menus/

ATTENDANCE

We have high expectations for attendance and monitor it closely.

Regular attendance is essential for your child to make the most of their learning and access the education they are entitled to.

- If your child is absent, please call the school office on the morning of each day they are off.
- We kindly ask that medical appointments are booked outside of school hours wherever possible.



If you have any questions please come and ask us now or email the school using the account below seal@riversideprimary.co.uk

Thank you and we look forward to working together this year.