



Welcome to KS1!

The Year 1 class teachers are:



Mrs Beard
Bear



Mrs Pallett & Mrs Axcell
Otter



The Year 2 class teachers are:



Mrs Lartey
Seal



Mrs Martinson & Mrs Chandler
Dolphin



Mrs Kruse
Lion

As your child is in KS1, their phase leader will be:

Mrs Lartey

The Year 1 and 2 Transition Meeting for parents will be held
on Thursday 3rd September 2026 at 15:30 in the Blue Hall.

School Day Timings

08:35 - EYFS/KS1 Gate Opens
08:40 - KS2 Gate Opens
08:45 - Morning Registration for EYFS & KS1
08:50 - Morning Registration for KS2
10:20 - 10:35 - Morning Break
12:00 - 13:00 - Lunchtime
15:10 - Gates Open for Collection
15:15 - End of Day for EYFS & KS1
15:20 - End of Day for KS2

Morning and End of Day Arrangements

All children in KS1 will enter school through the double doors opposite Lion class. A member of staff will be available on the door to take messages for all four classes. Please encourage your child to be as independent as they can by walking down the path on their own.

At the end of the school day children will come out through their own classroom door.

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 Ms Emma Shaw, Deputy Headteacher.

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 second half of the Summer Term

Children are allowed to wear a watch - digital or fitbits are allowed (no watches which have smart capabilities).

Children are allowed one pair of stud earrings (no other jewellery allowed).

Your child will be asked to remove any items, which are not part of the school uniform.

Please find all information regarding school uniform by following this link:

<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:

Otter & Bear - Thursday

Lion - Tuesday

Seal & Dolphin - Monday

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 everything is labelled with your child's name.

Extra-curricular clubs

If your child has a club before or after school, they should come dressed for their club and remain in their PE kit all day.

Equipment

Water bottle

Please make sure your child has a named water bottle in school every day. Only water should be in your child's bottle.

Sun hats

These should be labelled and provided throughout the summer months.

Coats

Must be worn during the colder winter months and should be labelled.

Book bag

No rucksacks please. All children should have a school book bag which should be brought in daily. Please do not send in backpacks as these do not fit in the children's trays and we do not have room on their coat pegs. Please do not put keyrings on your child's book bag as these get caught in the tray runners and prevent trays from opening and closing properly.

Wellies

Please send your child in with a pair of **named** wellies that they can wear during our OPAL play and lunch times.

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

Please make sure that all of the above items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Please make sure reading log books and reading books are in the book bag everyday as children will be heard read throughout the week.

Healthy Break Time Snacks

Fruit or vegetables are provided for KS1, however you are welcome to provide your own fruit or vegetable snacks.

Children in KS1 are given the choice of a daily fruit and/or vegetable snack. If you prefer, you may send in a healthy snack for your child. Processed fruit e.g. Fruit Winders or YoYos are **not permitted**. However, unprocessed, packaged fruit e.g. 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. Thank you for understanding.

Homework

Weekly Homework

Alternate weeks:

- Year 1 - Phonics CPG workbooks

- Year 2 - Reading Comprehension CPG Booklets
Spellings (not in the first half term)
- Year 1 - Maths CPG homework books
Spellings (not in the first half term)
- Year 2 - Maths CPG homework books
Spellings

Extras:

- Sumdog, TT Rockstars, Nelly, Phonics Play, Busy Things, Accelerated Reader, 1 Minute Maths

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

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

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:

Seal - Mrs Lartey: seal@riversideprimary.co.uk

Dolphin - Mrs Martinson & Mrs Chandler: dolphin@riversideprimary.co.uk

Lion - Mrs Kruse: lion@riversideprimary.co.uk

Bear - Mrs Beard: bear@riversideprimary.co.uk

Otter - Mrs Pallett & Mrs Axccl: otter@riversideprimary.co.uk

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.