





#### **Latest News from the Headteacher**

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# SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure your child wears black school shoes/black trainers for school, they should have a pair of traniners in school for the Daily Mile. Children are not permitted to go on the tennis courts in shoes. As we head into the winter months, you may also wish your child to have the option of a change of shoes in school - it is not fun to have soggy feet all day!

Please see our school website for clarification on our school uniform

https://riston.ebor.academy/uniform/



#### COATS

As the weather turns cooler, please ensure your child brings a coat to school. We do go outside in all weather!



# **Riston School Attendance**

The school target is 97% attendance. In our first two weeks each class has achieved:

- Robins 98%
- Topcats 97%
- Bluebirds 95%
- Highflyers 87%

The class with the heightest attendance will be rewarded with extra playtime.

The school has achieved 94%



# MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

## Friday 24th September 2021

We would love to support this event and hold our first community event of the school year. Please join us on the Topcats playground at 3:00pm (in the hall if it is raining) for a bun and coffee to end our school week.

Our School Council children will be serving the cakes and this will be the perfect opportunity to meet new families, whilst supporting this worthwhile cause. **Donations of cakes would be very much appreciated.** 

### **OPEN DOOR POLICY**

Please do come and talk with us if you have any concerns or worries regarding your child. Often this can be resloved swiftly.



# World Mental Health Day Friday 8th October 2021

We're thrilled that we are taking part in #HelloYellow for World Mental Health Day to show young people they're not alone with their mental health.

It's normal to have ups and downs - and this year might have felt a little more down than up. We've all had worries about school, feeling alone, stress at home and uncertainty about the future.

Getting involved in #HelloYellow for World Mental Health Day is a little thing we can do to make a BIG difference to young people's mental health. On Friday 8 th October, please wear something yellow and donate £1 to YoungMinds. Children will also participate in a range of activities to learn how to protect their own health and wellbeing.



## **SCHOOL CHOIR**

Mrs Marsden has started a school choir for KS2 children. This will continue as an after school club on a Monday and will start on 20th September at 3:30pm til 4:00pm. We hope to perform two of our favourite songs at the Harvet Festival. A separate letter will be sent home with the children in KS2.



# **Riston After School Clubs**

The following clubs are on offer at our school, this half term.

- Monday KS2 Choir with Mrs Marsden 3:30pm - 4:00pm
- Tuesday Music club with Mrs Evans 3:30pmm 4:30pm
- Wednesday KS2 Football with Tigers Trust
   3:30pm 4:30pm (FULL)
- Friday KS1 Football with Tigers Trust
   3:30pm 4:30pm



# Global Goals Week 20th-24th September

Next week is Global Goals Week and in school children will be participating in activities and discussions linked to our work on these. We will cover issues such as climate change, gender equality, social justice and how we can be voices for change. This term we will also be continuing our projects with our partner school in Sierra Leone.



# Harvest Festival Thursday 14th October 2021

The children have been learning lots of songs to perform at our Harvest Festival which will take place at 2:30pm in St.Margaret's Church. We hope to welcome parents to the event, subject to any local restrictions at the time.



# **Christian Value**

This half term our Christian Value is generosity. We will be exploring examples of generosity and applying this in our daily lives within our school community.

### **HOUSE CAPTAINS**

Our new House Captains have been selected.



#### **Emerald**

Natalie and George



# Sapphire

Frankie and Lilly



#### Ruby

Hannah and James

Our House Captains will lead their teams in celebration worship and during house events. I am sure the new leaders will do a fantastic job this year and will be excellent role models to the rest of their teams.

# How Can I Help My Child?

Access to phones, social media and the internet means that young people can communicate with others without those caring for them knowing and this can make it difficult when we want to keep them safe.

# A free online workshop for parents and carers

Facilitated through
Zoom by Lawrence,
Penny and Rhiannon
from the Marie Collins
Foundation



The Marie Collins Foundation (MCF) is dedicated to supporting victims of online child sexual abuse and exploitation. The foundation advocates for children who have suffered from online abuse so that they are able to recover and live safe and fulfilling lives. It has grown to become a dedicated team of specialists who support those harmed online through direct work with children and their families and advising professionals and governments at local,national and international level.

In this workshop you will have the opportunity to explore, in a safe environment:

- what online harm is
- ways you can **effectively help** and support your children
- understand why and how children can become victims, and
- how your response can be vital in enabling your child to recover.

To apply for a free place, please click on the dates below and complete the form

Tuesday, 5th October 2021 - 10am to 11.30am Tuesday, 18th November 2021 - 10am to 11.30am

If you have any questions in respect of this course, or difficulties booking on to it, please contact MCFevents@mariecollinsfoundation.org.uk