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WELCOME TO RIVERSIDE

Riverside Community Primary School is very lucky to be situated on the banks of the River Tamar.

The purpose built accommodation is designed to provide a high quality education in first rate facilities designed for the 21st Century.

The school has 21 class bases, a nursery unit, a drama studio and a large multi use hall. Externally there is a large play area, a first rate football pitch and an exciting wildlife garden. The purpose built kitchen provides nutritional hot meals daily.

At Riverside we aim to work in partnership with parents to provide each child with the best possible education both academically and socially. Great care is taken to ensure that the talents and needs of each child are recognised and valued. Above all, our school is a place where mutual respect for all is encouraged.



RIVERSIDE STAFF MEMBERS

Head Teacher

- Mr Brian Jones

Deputy Head Teachers

- Mrs Clare Willcocks & Mrs Natalie Turnock

Chair of Governors

- Miss Ruth Sayers

Inclusion Coordinator

Mrs A Warren

ICT Technician

Mr S Carpenter

Librarian

Mrs A Stewart

Multi Agency Coordinator

Mrs K Wilkes

Pupil Support Tutor

Mrs H Lee

Family Support Adviser

Mrs H Dyer

Teachers

Miss T Aitken

Miss M Ansell

Miss A Babcock

Mrs N Boyns

Mr M Brown

Mr E Carr

Miss N Coyde

Mrs M Crowley

Miss R Daw

Miss E Eastwood

Miss R Gard

Mrs J Hobbs

Mrs J Kendall-Jones

Miss M Kent

Miss L Maclellan

Mrs J Mapps

Miss E Burnett

Miss S McGowan

Mrs D Mee

Miss L Nelles

Miss E Payne

Mrs S Pearce

Mrs Perrow-Smith

Mrs L Roberts

Miss N Sharp

Miss C Smith

Miss F Summerfield

Mrs K Tate

Mrs N Turnock

Mrs T Weekes

Higher Level Teaching Assistants

Mrs J Bush

Mrs K Carpenter

Miss S Davies

Miss B Doidge

Miss K Downton

Mrs K Oxland

Mrs T Webb

Teaching Assistants

Mrs L Adam

Mrs T Allen

Mrs S Beveridge

Mrs L Brownlow

Mrs J Chenery

Mrs R Clarke

Miss T Clayton

Mrs K Coles

Mrs J Cripps

Mrs C Curtis

Mrs H Ford

Miss E Hayter

Mrs H Hewer

Mrs C Ide

Miss J Jackson

Mrs J Joyce

Mrs J Keith

Mrs C Knowles

Miss E Main

Mrs C Manley

Miss S Manley

Miss M McTierney

Mr B Pitcher

Mr A Morris

Mrs S Newson

Miss L Nicholls

Mrs C Parker

Mrs W Pengelly

Mrs R Perry

Mrs S Pogson

Mrs C Prowse

Mrs Z Puleston

Mrs J Sinclair

Miss L Sullivan

Mrs J Trewin

Mrs K Vickery

Miss S Wadlan

Mrs G Watson

Mrs S Watson

Mrs H Webster

Miss C Westlake

Mrs K Whitta

Miss L Wilkinson

Mrs D Willmott

Miss M Wilson

Administrators

Mrs L Moran (Senior)

Mrs D Leonard

Mrs P Wardle

Miss L Dugay

Facilities Manager

Mr T Ferguson

MTAs

Mrs G Marner (Senior)

Mrs A Ford

Mrs M Bijacic

Mrs L Bartram

Miss S Newton

Mrs N Redfield

Ms K Wilkinson

Breakfast Club

Mrs J Cripps

Miss M McTierney

Miss S Newton

Miss C Westlake

Cook

Mrs D Baker

Mrs L Jones

Miss J Trewin

Mrs D Leeson

Miss M Meenan

Mrs K Smith

Mrs C Couch

Mrs L Richardson

After School Club

Mrs J Cripps

Miss M McTierney

Miss C Westlake

First Aider

Mrs J Wilkes

Mrs F Kittle

Mrs Z Berryman

Mrs L O'Brien

Mrs C Farrell

Mrs K Braddon

Mrs N Amos

MISSION STATEMENT

At our school, staff, children, parents and governors work together in partnership.

We acknowledge that everyone is special, valued, safeguarded and has equal opportunities.

RIVERSIDE GOVERNING BODY

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR

- Mrs Jane Ford

HEADTEACHER

- Mr Brian Jones

PARENT GOVERNORS

- Mr Anthony Launce
- Mr Benjamin Ham
- Mr Mathew Rudd
- Miss Kimberley Hendy

LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNORS

- Cllr George Wheeler

STAFF GOVERNORS

- Mr Ed Carr

CO-OPTED GOVERNORS

- Mrs Joy Bush
- Mrs Miranda Crowley
- Mr Jeff Dawson
- Miss Ruth Sayers
- Miss Rebecca Bennett

All governors are contactable via the School Office

THE AIMS OF RIVERSIDE SCHOOL

- Create a well organised, safe and happy school community in which each individual is valued, and therefore able to become a responsible, independent and confident person.
- Encourage all children to achieve their true potential through structured and stimulating teaching, by providing a balanced and appropriate curriculum.
- Foster in each child the ability, to think, question and discuss rationally, so that every child can achieve academically, creatively and physically. Children learn and develop at different rates and we will endeavour to help, encourage and motivate each child in our care.
- Set realistic standards of discipline, behaviour and moral values within an atmosphere of support and mutual respect in partnership with parents. This will be in line with the School's Safeguarding Policies.
- Reflect and celebrate the diversity of the wider community that we serve.



Admissions Policy

Children are required by law to receive a full time education from the beginning of the school term after they reach the age of five years.

At Riverside School children who are five between September and August are admitted before their 5th birthday, although we often advise a short initial period of part-time attendance to allow children to get used to the transition between home and school.

At Riverside Nursery we offer 15 or **30 (if eligible)** free funded hours per child per week in the six terms following their 3rd birthday until they are of compulsory school age (spaces permitting). Our Nursery provides places for **up to** 72 children. When there is a waiting list for the Nursery an admissions panel consisting of school staff, our Community Health Visitors, the Early Years Advisor and representatives from the Children's Speech and Language Service and Social Services meet to allocate places.

You will be asked to complete a registration form before or at the time of your child's enrolment at the school.

The School's staff and governors are working hard to develop the Riverside Community and we especially welcome children from the immediate area into our school.

Attendance

Please ensure that your child attends school regularly and on time. If your child is absent from school please adopt the following procedure:-

- ❖ Telephone the school on the first day of absence, with the reason for absence.
- ❖ Keep the school informed of progress and likely return date.
- ❖ Upon returning to school, please provide written details of their reason for absence.
- ❖ Try to keep all medical appointments (i.e. hospital, dental, doctor's etc.) out of school hours.
- ❖ When an appointment is during the school day please support the absence with the relevant letter, appointment card wherever possible.

The School Day

The Riverside School Day is as follows:-



Breakfast Club opens at 7.45am and all pupils must have arrived by 8.30am. Once in the Club they must stay on the school grounds and not leave, i.e. to visit the shop. Places are booked in advance at the school office.

The school gates open at 8.40am and pupils can enter their school classrooms anytime from **8.50am to 9.00am**. Pupils arriving after 9.00am are considered late.

The end of the school day is 3.10pm.



After School Club starts at 3.15pm and runs until 5.30pm. Children have access to homework, ICT, snacks and food, free play, art, cookery and many more activities. Places are booked in advance at the school office.

Cost per child is £3.00 3.15pm - 4.30pm
£5.00 3.15pm - 5.30pm

Nursery Sessions are

Morning:	8.40am – 11.40am
Afternoon:	12.20pm – 3.20pm
Full Day:	8.40am – 2.40pm (Sept 2017)

Uniform

The wearing of uniform in primary school is strongly encouraged.

The uniform consists of:-

Black or dark grey trousers or skirt
White polo shirt / white shirt or blouse
School sweatshirt*
School Tie*
Purple checked dress*



(*Can be purchased from the National School Wear Centre in Mayflower Street, Plymouth or on-line with Tesco or School Trends via a link on the school website)

PE Kit:-

Dark Shorts
Plain white T-shirt
Safe suitable footwear
Dark tracksuit if needed for outside sports

Charging Policy

The overriding principle of all local authority schools is that education should be provided free of charge.

However, there are times when special activities are planned, which simply could not take place without some form of extra funding.



Occasionally we ask the 'PTFA' for funds, but sometimes we invite parents to make financial contributions. Please note that these contributions are entirely voluntary and on all occasions your child is entitled to take part in the activity, whether or not you decide to make a contribution.

On rare occasions we may have to cancel an activity due to lack of funds, but we will never exclude individual children on financial grounds.

We may charge for activities which take place mainly or wholly outside school hours, but in these instances your child's involvement will be optional.

School Meals



School meals are provided by Autograph Foods Limited, who provide a hot school lunch or a salad bar option for £2.10 per day.

The school has a cashless payment system which will be explained by the office staff.

If you are currently on Income Support, Child Tax Credit or Income based Jobseekers Allowance (**those receiving Working Tax Credit do not qualify**) your child may be entitled to a free school meal. Application forms are available in confidence from the school office.

Universal Free School Meals – From September 2014

As part of a new government initiative **all** Foundation and KS1 children will be entitled to a **Free School Meal**.

All parents entitled to claim under the aforementioned criteria:

Please continue to complete the necessary application/renewal forms to ensure the school receives the additional pupil funding which is used in a variety of ways to enhance your child's education.

The Curriculum

We aim to provide a curriculum that is:-

- **Broad** – encompassing knowledge, skills and understanding in educational, spiritual, emotional, physical and social areas.
- **Balanced** – Where each area of experiences makes a distinctive contribution to the child's education.
- **Relevant** - to individual abilities, experiences and present needs.
- **Differentiated** to enable the learning experience to meet the needs of the child.
- **Inclusion Opportunities** – to welcome all children. Where a child has a recognised disability we will make all reasonable adjustments to accommodate their needs in school. This will include the availability of resources and accessibility of the school building site. We will make every effort to ensure that children with Special Educational Needs maintain their entitlement when they enter the school.



Concerns and Enquiries

If you are concerned about any aspect of your child's education or experience at school you should make an appointment to see the Class teacher, Year Group Leader or a senior member of staff.

We hope you have found the information in this prospectus helpful and it has given you a taste of what life at Riverside School is like.

Should you require any more information, please contact the Head Teacher or look on our website.

WebSite

Please visit our website at www.riversideprimary.net for up to date details about the exciting things happening at Riverside