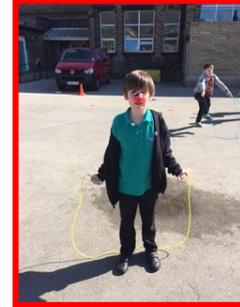




Newsletter - 24th March 2017

It's an exciting day today at Riverside as our children take part in many Red Nose Day activities.....

RED NOSE DAY CELEBRATIONS!!!



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- What did our maths teacher make for his/her Red Nose Day bake sale? **Pi!**
- One of our pupils dressed up in camouflage for Red Nose Day. **We couldn't find her.**
- My teacher said he'd sponsor me to do a sponsored silence for Red Nose Day. **Forever!**

SKIPPING WORKSHOP

On Monday 20th March we invited Dan to spend a day teaching Riverside pupils lots of different ways to skip. We wanted our children to have a fun and an inclusive learning experience, to increase their aerobic fitness and to challenge themselves.

Dan taught us how to do individual (*foot cross, straddle, kick, single bounce etc.*) and partner skipping, use a long rope and play skipping games. Dan also taught us how to do French skipping games in groups of 4. We want skipping to help transform our playtimes!



BABY DUCKLINGS

We had to sadly bid farewell to our baby ducklings last Friday when they headed off to their new home at Miss Rooney's family farm.

Miss Rooney has promised to provide us with regular reports and photographs in order to keep us up to date with their progress!!!



EVENTS THIS TERM



- TUESDAY 28th MARCH - Class 4M Trip to Halifax Minster
- TUESDAY 24th MARCH - Netball Tournament @ Calder High
- FRIDAY 31st MARCH - Mr Raven's Poetry Assembly
- FRIDAY 7th APRIL - CLOSE FOR EASTER BREAK



MAYA ARCHAEOLOGY WORKSHOP

Dr Diane Davies from Maya Archaeology visited our Year 5/6 children on 8th March to give a workshop. The children explored the Maya World and learned about Maya Chronology, where the Ancient Maya live, how Maya tell the time and lots of other interesting facts!



RIVERSIDE WIN CALDERDALE GYMNASTICS COMPETITION

In our biggest sporting triumph to date, Riverside won the Advanced Gymnastics category at our first attempt! Over 25 teams from schools all over Calderdale, took part in the event at Diamonds gym, Halifax, but all our hours of training paid off as Kaya, Ben, Alex, Dotty and Mala claimed first place, with a narrow victory over Greetland Academy. This means our winning team go through to the West Yorkshire Games on Fri 7th July to represent Calderdale. As well as our Gold medal team, our Foundation team (Maia, Evie, Iris, Issy and Jasmine) did us proud with some superb floorwork and vaulting. It was a very special day!

WEST YORKSHIRE GAMES CROSS COUNTRY FINALS 15.3.17

We took 17 pupils from Y4/5 to Temple Newsam, Leeds, on a gorgeous sunny day for the West Yorkshire XC competition. Having a Y4 Girls team (Fearne, Nakeisha, Jocelyn, Noa, Rosie & Mathilda), Y5 Boys team (Charlie, George, Tom O, Alfie & Elio) and Girls (Maia, Amelie, Lily, Hattie, Lucia) plus Thomas McKee in Y4 was a great achievement. We are so proud of all the children who ran their hardest, wearing their distinctive Green Calderdale T-shirts. Thank you parents, especially Rachel McFie for all your support.

HX7 NETBALL TOURNAMENT AND TRAINING MARCH 17

Riverside hosted a Y5/6 netball training event for the HX7 partnership which was very successful. We have 3 marked out pitches and 6 nets: only Calder High can rival this! Having practised High 5 rules, we then went to Calder High to play in a tournament against Burnley Rd, Heptonstall and Scout Rd. High 5 seeks to promote female participation so each team must have at least 4 girls (Ivy, Jaz, Billie and Ruby N) and there is a strict rotation every half, so children get to play every position. 16 Riverside pupils took part. Well Done!



HALIFAX MINSTER

Class 4CT are visiting Halifax Minster today as part of their RE Curriculum. It is the turn of Class 4M on Tuesday 28th March.



PLAYLEADERS WORKSHOP

Six of our Y5 children volunteered to find out more about leading playground games and attended an afternoon workshop in Mytholmroyd. We hope Tom O, Hattie, Christina, Lucia, Ruby N and Iris will be able to use some of their new ideas and skills to enrich Riverside playtimes.

CHANGE4LIFE WORKSHOPS WITH YEAR 4

Change4life have been looking at Healthy life styles with both Year 4 classes for 6 weeks. Children are challenged to consider the sugar lurking in their food and drink choices, look at energy intake and have a greater understanding of a healthy diet. The second half of the lesson involves physical activity to promote active life styles and regular participation in sport.



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