

All new site - same address: www.riverside.n-yorks.sch.uk

Over the last few months, we have been working hard in the background, to create a new website with a sleek, modern feel, which will hopefully continue to provide a useful resource for our school community (the old site averaged 2000 hits per month), but will be more easy to navigate and vitally, will enable us to link in direct email, Twitter feeds and in the longer term, may enable us to switch off our rather expensive text service! Also we hope to introduce some pupil blogs, pop-up surveys and so on - the software behind the new site allows for us to change and expand in all sorts of ways.

Information for site users:

What is where?

Information: hover your mouse or click on 'information' and you will access the sub-menu for this page within which we are hosting most of the statutory information for our school as well as the up to date School Prospectus, menus and clubs

Curriculum: through this link you will find information on the various subjects taught at Riverside, as well as information about the wider curriculum such as Eco Schools. This link also hosts sub-pages for each of the year groups in school, where we hold year group information letters and information from staff and photos of our classes in action!

News: this contains a section with letters home along with the 'Filing Cabinet' which contains useful forms, dates and so on

PTA: this links to the latest information about Friends of Riverside events and fundraising

Governors: this link provides a list of the serving governors along with information about the work of our Governing Body, including the termly Governor Newsletters

Gallery: this is where we will be posting various photos (and now we have our new site, video) sharing life around school, as well as things such as our residential visits (where we always post photos whilst children are away, so that parents can feel 'in touch' with their children

Calendar: our events diary, including a link to download the calendar to your device (don't worry, this is the same calendar and link as on the old site, so no need to download again). The up and coming calendar events will also push through to the bottom of the homepage

Quick links: from the homepage there are also large quick links through to 'news', 'year groups', 'calendar', and 'filing cabinet' since we presume these will be popular features

Subscribe to updates

At the very top of the homepage you will find this link. When you click on this you will access a registration page, where you can input your details and e-mail address. You don't need this to login to the site, but once registered it means that you can receive direct emails from the site when we make important updates. For example, when I post a new newsletter you would receive an email with a link through to that article on the website.

Follow us on Twitter

Riverside School are joining the world of Twitter. Follow us @TadRiverside and receive Tweets and important updates direct to your device. I have to admit, I am very definitely a 'learner driver' when it comes to Social Media so please be prepared to have a chuckle at my expense (#gettingold)! At various places on the site you will be able to read our tweets even if you choose not to follow us.

How to give site feedback:

We hope that we have created a user-friendly website, but the real test will come from your experience navigating the site - does it hold the information you need to find? Is the information reasonably easy to locate?

Hopefully, families (and pupils) will want to spend a bit of time browsing around the new site, familiarising themselves with where everything is!

If you have any suggestions to help us improve the user experience or to develop the site further, please let us know via:

admin@riverside.n-yorks.ch.uk

or

use the 'contact us' option on the website itself

We really appreciate your feedback!