Autumn Week 1 Friday 11th September 2026

The Riccall Roundup

Welcome to this week's Riccall Roundup!
I hope you and your children have enjoyed the return to school this week. Considering how long the holidays were, it has been amazing to see the pupils come back with such energy and focus, Thank you for your patience and support with Arbor and meals this week. There have been some truly bizarre occurrences on there that have now been resolved so hopefully from next week, things will be smoother with meal bookings!

Be the best you can be!
During an assembly this week, we talked about the importance of standards and how we have a Riccall Standard, but also we have our own standards. I shared with the children the story of the 2000 Team GB rowing team who were struggling for form before the Olympics. They decided to ask themselves before any action, 'Will it make the boat go faster?' and if the answer was no, they didn't do it. I explained that we should consider the question, "Will it make me the best I can be?" this year when thinking about our actions. I will certainly be asking that question throughout the year!

Parent Meetings
As we announced before the summer holiday, there are a number of class and teacher meetings occurring next week, straight after school. As a reminder, these are:
Monday: Oak class
Tuesday: Cherry and Sycamore class
Wednesday: Willow class
Thursday: Nursery class
Friday: Bumblebees class
Monday 28th September: Silver Birch

Along with this week's newsletter, you should also receive the school's home-school agreement, the communication guide and also a guide to parental controls for devices which connect to the internet. If you have any questions about any of these documents, please feel free to speak to me on the gate/playground or contact the school.

Class Dojo
All of the classes and pupils have been updated for the new academic year. Previous logins should still work and invitations have been sent where accounts weren't linked to any parent. It is possible to have more than one parent linked to an account so if you would like an additional parent account, please contact school to request this. Thank you!

This week's Gold Card Winners

Nursery: Luna - for starting the term with confidence and a positive attitude.

Bumblebees - Well done to all of our new starters who have worked so hard in their first few days. We can't wait to see you next week!

Cherry: Ralfie - for his wonderful ideas on how we could reassure Jigsaw Jo and help him feel settled in our classroom.

Willow: Hugo - for returning to school with a positive and mature attitude to learning in all lessons!

Silver Birch: Mary - for showing positive enthusiasm in all lessons as well as for our shared environment.

Sycamore: Zac - for always using impeccable manners demonstrating ready, respectful, safe, all the time!

Oak: George - for 100% enthusiasm for his first week of Year 6 while tackling some tricky maths concepts!

Snacks and Water

We ask that all children bring a plastic bottle of water, which can be refilled as needed through the day. **Flavoured waters, squash or fruit juice are not permitted.** Suitable snacks for break time would be fresh fruit or vegetable sticks, rice cakes, breadsticks or a bag of plain popcorn at break time. **Please do not send in sweets and chocolate bars as these are high in sugar and harmful for teeth, bags of crisps and no products containing nuts.**

Coming up.....
Next week: Parent meetings
w/c 21st September - Y6 Bikeability
Full calendar will hopefully be sent home next week - all term dates can be found on the school website www.riccallprimary.co.uk

