



#WeAreLemington

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November 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back for the start of an exciting new half term at Lemington Riverside! This is always a very busy, but exciting and magical half term as we build up to the excitement of Christmas activities!

Riverside Remembers:

This week we have a number of activities taking place in school to mark Remembrance Day when we remember those who have served in our Armed Forces over the years. Each morning this week between **8:45-9:00am** we will have a range of 'Poppy merchandise' available priced at **£1 per item**. The shop will be located in the downstairs hall and then visit Nursery & Reception classes each day. All money raised will go to the Royal British Legion charity that supports members of the armed forces and their families. On Wednesday, we will be visited by the 'West End in Schools' theatre group who will be delivering 'Poppies and Poetry' workshops. On Friday 10th November, we will pause at 11:00am for 2 minutes of silence to remember those who have served our country in the armed forces.



School photos day: On **Thursday 16th November** the photographer will be in school taking individual and family photos. As ever, there is no obligation to purchase any of the photos, but each child will have their photo taken on the morning. We will organise in-school sibling photos on the day, but if you have pre-school aged children and would like them in a photo with their school-aged brothers/sisters, please come to the Dining Hall for 8:30am on the morning. **If your child does not have pre-school siblings, they should come to school at the normal time and we will organise their photos.**

Proposed new fencing around the school: We are currently working with Newcastle City Council on a proposal to heighten the perimeter fencing around the main playground and Early Years garden to make our school even more secure. You can view and comment upon the planning proposal by scanning the QR code>



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Read, Write, Inc Workshop for parents/carers: We use a phonics programme called 'Read, Write, Inc.' in school to help our children to become confident readers and writers. On **Friday 10th November at 3pm**, Ms Turner and Miss Jeffcock will be running a short introduction session for parents/carers to help you understand how Read, Write, Inc. works and how you can support your child at home. This is suitable for any parent/carer of children from Nursery up to Year 3.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 8th November – Poppies and Poetry day – drama workshops linked to Remembrance Day.

Thursday 9th November – We mark 'National Roast Dinner Day' with a special beef roast dinner and 'old-school' pudding!

Friday 10th November – Read, Write, Inc. workshop for parents/carers (3:00pm).

Wednesday 15th November – Year 1 visiting Scotswood Nature Garden.

Thursday 16th November – School photos day.

Thursday 16th November – Year 5 and 6 mixed football team fixtures at Walbottle Academy.

Friday 17th November – 'Children in Need' – Children are welcome to come to school in non-uniform on this day in return for a voluntary donation of £1 towards charity.

Wednesday 22nd November – 'Fizzy wig the Pig' drama workshop for children in Nursery and Reception.

Thursday 23rd November – Year 5 and 6 girls football team fixtures at Walbottle Academy.

Monday 27th November – Nasal flu immunisations for children in Years Reception through to Year 6 (parent/carer consent must be given before immunisation is given).

Thursday 30th November – Year 5 and 6 mixed football team fixtures at Walbottle Academy.

Look out for our Christmas newsletter later this month when we will be telling you more about our exciting plans for Christmas here at Lemington Riverside!

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Best wishes,

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Headteacher