



RIVER ACADEMY

## Student Bulletin

### What's on next week?

### Week 1

### 15th–19th September 2025

#### School timings:

Please be reminded of our school timings below:

Mon, Tues & Thurs		Wed		Fri	
09:10-9:30	Tutor	09:10-09:30	Tutor	09:10-10:05	Lesson 1
09:30-10:30	Lesson 1	09:30-10:30	Lesson 1	10:05-11:00	Lesson 2
10:30-10:50	Break	10:30-10:50	Break	11:00-11:20	Break
10:50-11:50	Lesson 2	10:50-11:50	Lesson 2	11:20-12:15	Lesson 3
11:50-12:50	Lesson 3	11:50-12:50	Lesson 3	12:15-13:05	Lunch
12:50-13:40	Lunch	12:50-13:40	Lunch	13:05-14:00	Lesson 4
13:40-14:35	Lesson 4	13:40-14:35	Lesson 4	14:00-14:55	Lesson 5
14:35-15:35	Lesson 5	14:35-15:35	Lesson 5	14:55-15:15	Celebration Assembly
		15:35-16:30	Elective		

#### Canteen Menu:



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WEEK THREE



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main Course</b>	Sweet n Sour Chicken Balls Steamed Rice Stir Fry Vegetables	Cheeseburger with Wedges and sweetcorn	Chicken Fajita Wrap Salad	Beef Lasagne Garlic Bread	Chip Shop Friday
<b>Vegetarian</b>	Sweet & Sour Quorn Steamed Rice Stir Fry Vegetables	Spicy Bean Burger in a Bun Potato Wedges Sweetcorn	Vegetable & Bean Fajita wrap Salad	Roasted Vegetable & Feta Lasagne Garlic Bread	Vegetable & Cheese Bake
<b>Jackets</b>	Jacket Potato Cheese/Tuna/Baked Beans/Salad	Jacket Potato Cheese/Tuna/Baked Beans/Salad	Jacket Potato Cheese/Tuna/Baked Beans/Salad	Jacket Potato Cheese/Tuna/Baked Beans/Salad	Jacket Potato Cheese/Tuna/Baked Beans/Salad
<b>Dessert of the Day</b>	Apple & Cinnamon Crumble Custard	Syrup Sponge Custard	Chocolate Brownie Chocolate Sauce	Chocolate Chip Sponge Custard	Ice Cream Pot
<b>Dessert Alternative</b>	Yogurt, Fresh Cut Fruit, Fruit Pot, Cookie	Yogurt, Fresh Cut Fruit, Fruit Pot, Cookie	Yogurt, Fresh Cut Fruit, Fruit Pot, Cookie	Yogurt, Fresh Cut Fruit, Fruit Pot, Cookie	Yogurt, Fresh Cut Fruit, Fruit Pot, Cookie

Please ask for more information if you have any allergies.

# **GIRLS FOOTBALL TRAINING**

**EVERY THURSDAY 1535-1630**



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**BRING FOOTBALL BOOTS AND YOUR PE  
KIT!**

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**LEAGUE  
STARTS END OF  
SEPTEMBER**

**BOTH Y7 AND  
Y8 GIRLS  
WELCOME**

**TOUCH RUGBY  
TRAINING EVERY  
THURSDAY 1535-1630**

**LEAGUE BEGINS END  
OF SEPTEMBER**

**BRING FOOTBALL  
BOOTS AND PE KIT**

**ALL WELCOME!**



## Monthly Maths House Competition

### Maths Problem of the Month – September 25

Answer the question below. Submit your answer to your form tutor or Mrs Strong by the end of **Friday 26th September**. You can only submit one answer. All correct answers will be awarded 3 merits.

At 6 o'clock the Town Hall clock strikes 6 times. It takes 30 seconds from the first chime to the last.

How long will the clock take for 12 chimes?

### Home Learning

For year 8, homework has been set this week. For year 7, your homework will be set from next week. If you do not submit your homework, on time and to a good standard, your teacher will set a same day after school detention. Use your planners and class charts to help you with your deadlines.

**Sparx Maths, Sparx Reader and Sparx Science** will be set from Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September (deadline of 19<sup>th</sup> September) for year 8, and from Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September (deadline of 26<sup>th</sup> September) for year 7. Early completion merits (5 for each subject) will be given for compulsory Sparx homework completed by Tuesday mornings and an additional 5 merits will be awarded (per subject) for completing the extra work (XP in Maths etc) by Friday morning. Lots of merits to be earned! If you do not complete your Sparx Maths, Sparx Reader and Sparx Science by Friday morning, you will be expected to remain behind after school on Friday in order to complete these compulsory homeworks.

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presents "Christmas Celebration  
Evening"

Whether you sing, dance, play an instrument as a soloist or in a group please come and join us in our musical extravaganza. All performances welcome!

Auditions on Thursday 2nd October @ 3.40pm in 0.62

## Recycle, reuse, reduce!

Attention all staffs and students! Got some old books, newspapers or magazines that you no longer need? Old clothing that doesn't fit you anymore? Consider give them a second chance!

**We are taking in materials such as:**

- Newspapers
- Old books
- Scrap papers/ misprint paper
- Cardboard boxes
- Old, clean clothing or textile (shirts, pants, fabric, wools, yarn etc)

**Where to drop off:** Room 2.41 (Art Room)

Thank you for your contribution to always Recycle, Reuse, Reduce!





River Choir starts Tuesday 16/09 at 15:45 in 0.62

**Everyone** welcome – including beatboxers!

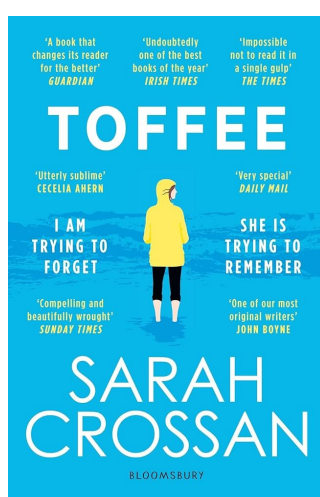
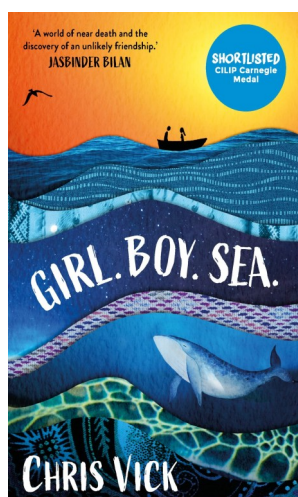
## Year 8 Tutor Reads

As you know, all tutor groups read a novel/non-fiction text with their tutor twice a week. This text is always read aloud by the tutor. We wanted to make sure you were aware that now students are in Year 8, some of the texts will begin to explore more mature themes. We have thought carefully about the texts chosen and believe that all of them are appropriate for Year 8 students to be exploring in a safe space with adult guidance.

Books, and especially young adult fiction, are a fantastic way for students to explore issues and topics they may face, or situations that are impacting other young people around the world. As we know, reading helps to develop students' empathy, alongside more academic skills.

Some Year 8 tutor reads may include themes such as conflict and racism, and they may come across some bad language (however, this will not be read aloud by the teacher).

Many of the books chosen have been up for prestigious awards such as the Carnegie Medal so we believe the way they are written and structured will help develop students' reading, while exploring interesting and relevant themes in a sensitive way.





## Weekend routines! Are You Monday Ready?

- Is your uniform ready?
- Bag packed?
- Homework completed?
- Tools for Learning checked?

## Sit like a **STAR** ★

- S** Sit up tall
- T** Track the speaker
- A** Ask and answer questions
- R** Respect those around you



## Manners and Oracy At River Academy

### STEPS

#### Polite and Respectful

- S Sir / Miss
- T Thank you
- E Excuse me
- P Please
- S Smile

### SHAPE

#### Confident and Clear

- S Sentences
- H Hands
- A Articulate
- P Projection
- E Eyes

### ABCQ

#### Formal and Extended

- A Add
- B Build
- C Contest
- Q Question

“It only takes one voice, at the right pitch,  
to start an avalanche.”

Dianna Hardy

# The Parents' Corner!

## Padlocks:

Anyone wanting a padlock for their lockers, please purchase one on Parentpay:

[River Academy Shop \(parentpay.com\)](https://parentpay.com)



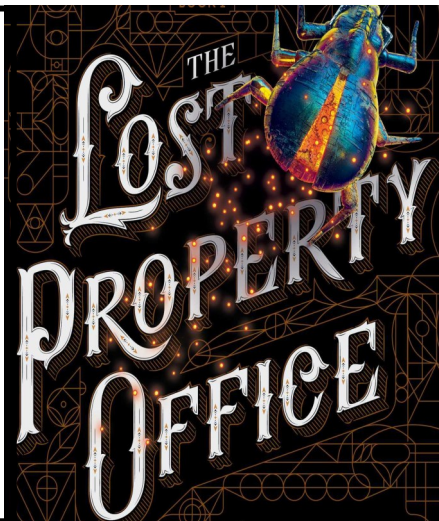
Alternatively you can bring your own padlock from home as long as the padlock neck is 5mm—All students have an allocated locker!

**Lost your blazer?**

**Cant find your tie?**

**Walked home in one shoe?!**

**Come and look in our Lost Property Box in Reception before or after school**





Win  
a bike



# CYCLE FESTIVAL



Christchurch Meadows  
Sunday 14 Sept 2025  
11am - 4pm



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Borough Council  
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