Student Bulletin



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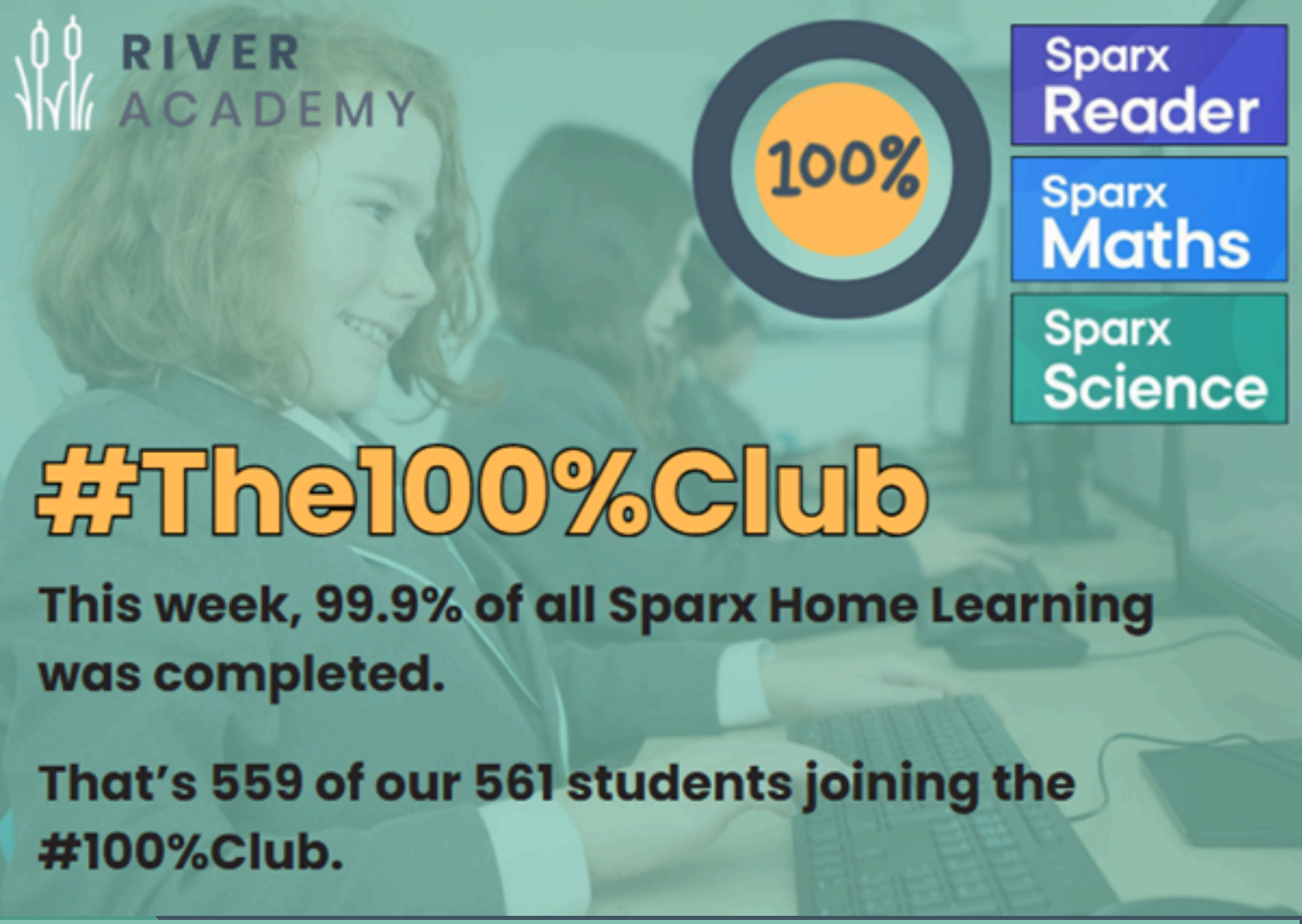


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

W/c Monday 19th October

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Before School		Early Bird	Early Bird		Early Bird
During School	Year 9 Extension Maths Club – lunchtime			Keyboard Club – breaktime	Years 7 & 9 Celebration Assemblies
After School	Rowing Club CS Python Club 5pm Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh Launch Meeting	Band Club Drama Club Champions' Hour Year 8 and 9 Axiom Maths (by invitation) 4:30pm Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening	Electives	Year 7 Axiom Maths (by invitation) Champions' Hour Yr8/9 Girls' Netball Yr8/9 Girls' Football Fixture	Band Club Reading Rockets Linguistics Club

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Sparx Reader

Sparx Maths

Sparx Science

#The100%Club

This week, 99.9% of all Sparx Home Learning was completed.

That's 559 of our 561 students joining the #100%Club.

River Top Attenders!

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Every lesson is precious at River Academy, and so attending every day is vital.

Congratulations to our top tutor groups of the week!

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FIRST UP!

RIVER LUNCHTIME

MONDAY	Zone 1
TUESDAY	Zone 2
WEDNESDAY	Zone 3
THURSDAY	Zone 4
FRIDAY	Zone 5

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What's on?

This week's Menu

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WEEK ONE

MAIDEN ERLEGH TRUST CATERING

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course	Pasta Bolognaise Garlic Bread Broccoli	Chicken Teriyaki Noodles Mixed Vegetables	Chicken Burger in a Bun Potato Wedges Sweetcorn	Pork Sausage Creamy Mash Carrots Gravy	Chip Shop Friday
Vegetarian	Pasta with a Tomato & Basil Sauce Garlic Bread Broccoli	Quorn & Vegetable Teriyaki Noodles Mixed Vegetables	Vegi Burger in a Bun Potato Wedges Sweetcorn	Quorn Sausage & Mash Carrots Gravy	Cheese & Onion Pastie
Jackets	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
Dessert of the Day	Apple & Raspberry Crumble Custard	Iced Sponge	Chocolate Brownie Chocolate Sauce	Jam Sponge Custard	Jam Donuts
Dessert Alternative	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.

All of our meat is Halal




CHAMPIONS' HOUR
#EXCELLENCE
Every Tuesday and Thursday 3:35-4:30pm
In the LRC
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THE EARLY BIRD
#DETERMINATION
Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings
8:30-9:00am
In the LRC
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Someone tries to sell you something in the street?
Be informed. Be safe.

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Some people may try to sell you things in the street that aren't safe, legal or may be linked to criminal activity.

If this happens, you can:

Say no
You don't have to buy anything.
It's OK to be firm and walk away.

Keep your distance
Move away from the person and don't feel pressured.

Tell a trusted adult
Report it to a teacher, parent, carer or member of staff as soon as possible.

If you feel unsafe
You can also contact the police on 101 (or 999 in an emergency).



If it feels wrong, walk away!

Your safety matters.
Look out for yourself and your friends.

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"HELP"

NEED HELP?

"Who can I speak to?"



Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Tuhy



Mr Hartley



Mrs Billingham



Mrs Clarke



Miss Hinton



Mr Rosser



Mx Bowler



Mrs Ceesay



Mrs Lambourn

Teacher, Tutor, TA... Anyone

Would you like to be a River student helper?

We need some mature students to support with Year 7 Parents Evening on Tuesday 20th of October. This will be from 16:30 to 19:00.

Please seek your parent's permission before volunteering. Speak to Mx Bowler if you would like to be considered for this event.

Thank you

Wall of Fame

- We would love to celebrate students sporting achievements outside of school!
- This could be anything from **football and martial arts to being awarded Player of the Match** in a sports game.
- Please send in a **photo of your child and a little information about their achievement**, so we can proudly display it on our Wall of fame PE board!





Maths Problem of the Month – October 26

Answer the question below. Submit your answer to your form tutor or Mrs Strong by the end of Wednesday 21st October . You can only submit one answer. All correct answers will be awarded 3 merits.

In a barn there were the same number of cows, pigs and hens. Between them they had 60 legs.

How many animals were there altogether in the barn?

September Answer:

Sooty 3, Pip 6 and Tiddles 2 kittens

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YEAR 9 STUDENTS ONLY

MATHS EXTENSION CLUB

STARTING WITH A MATHS ADVENTURE!

1 PRACTICE: UKMT INTERMEDIATE CHALLENGE

Prepare for the prestigious maths competition and develop advanced problem-solving and logical thinking skills.

- ★ CHALLENGING QUESTIONS
- ★ TEAMWORK
- ★ CRITICAL THINKING



2 AFTER THAT: GCSE FURTHER MATHS FOCUS

After the UKMT preparation, we will gradually introduce you to GCSE Further Mathematics topics to deepen your mathematical understanding and develop your ability to tackle complex problems.

- ★ ADVANCED CONCEPTS
- ★ GCSE FURTHER MATHS FOCUS

$f(x)=ax^2+bx+c$

$x=\frac{-b\pm\sqrt{b^2-4ac}}{2a}$

KICKSTART YOUR MATHS JOURNEY!

EVERY MONDAY LUNCHTIME | **12:50 PM – 1:20 PM** | **ROOM 2.47**

★ THIS CLUB IS OPEN TO YEAR 9 STUDENTS ONLY. ★

EXPLORE ADVANCED MATHS AND BOOST YOUR PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS!

CONTACT MRS GOPALAN FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

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Looking for something?

Have you lost part of your uniform or equipment that you need for school?

Come to Student Services and have a look in Lost Property!

We encourage students to put their name on their uniform and equipment, it helps us get the missing items back to you quicker!

Mrs Cotterell is always happy to help.



End of Term: Lost Property

All Lost Property will be displayed outside the canteen from Monday



Anything not claimed by the end of term will be donated to charity

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WANT TO JOIN THE SCHOOL BAND?



Can you rock the guitar, lay down a baseline, smash the drums, or belt out a melody? Or maybe you play brass, woodwind, or keys? Whatever your sound, the River Academy Music Band wants **YOU!**

We are looking for passionate musicians and singers from all year groups to join our crew. Whether you are a seasoned player or a beginner looking to jam, there is a place for you.

WHY JOIN US?

- Perform live at school concerts and local events.
- Meet new friends who share your passion for music.
- Learn new tracks, from classic rock to modern pop.
- Jam in a fun, energetic, and supportive space.

WHEN:
Every Tuesday and Friday after school.

WHERE:
The Main Music Room (0.62).

Speak to **Mr Abiola** in the Music Department to sign up for our first welcome jam session on the **15th of September!**



Don't just listen to the music— **BE THE MUSIC!**

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MUSIC LEADERS

Lead Support Inspire

APPLY NOW!

Are you passionate about music and ready to take the lead?
We are looking for enthusiastic students to become **Music Leaders.**

REQUIREMENTS:

You should have basic knowledge in one or more of the following areas:

- Keyboard
- Singing
- Effective communication
- Leadership abilities

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Coordinate the practice room during keyboard club
- Support during keyboard club
- Help organise musical performances as part of the committee

APPLICATION:

(To be submitted to Mr. Abiola on or before 25/09/2026)

- Write a short paragraph explaining how you meet the requirements.

THIS IS A BRILLIANT OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP **LEADERSHIP, TEAMWORK, AND MUSICAL CONFIDENCE!**

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THE ACTORS STUDIO

Do you want even more drama in your life? Do you love acting, creating performances or just want to explore some more drama techniques? The Actors Studio is the place for you!

When:
Every Tuesday after school

Where:
The Drama Studio

Open to all year groups and abilities!

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Information to parents

After September 25th 2026, our office staff will be unable to accept any forgotten equipment/lunches/messages from parents.

Forgotten lunch

Students can get food from the canteen, parents/carers can top up on Parent Pay later. Our canteen staff will never deny a child a meal deal.

Forgotten Equipment/Uniform/PE Kit

Students can go to Student Services before school and during breaktimes. Student will get a detention, this is a consequence for missing equipment and to deter them from forgetting it again.

Messages

Parents/carers can contact the student on their mobile phone afterschool, only emergency messages can be relayed (family emergency, medical etc).

After School Clubs

Students will need to arrange with parent/carer before school. Students can contact parents/carers on their mobile phone afterschool outside of school grounds. Otherwise, students will have to miss the club that day.

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Reminder:

Flu Vaccinations

27
November

Deadline to receive your flu vaccination form

Yes
or No

We **must** receive your response on the form, even if you do not want your child vaccinated

Nasal
Vaccination

Flu Vaccination form nasal

https://www.berkshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu?schoolcode=BK150728

Injectable
Vaccination

Flu Vaccination form injectable

https://www.berkshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/FluIM?schoolcode=BK150728

Protect your child	Protect family & friends	Simple nasal spray available	Better than having flu	Less time off school

Parent Corner

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HOW TO REPORT AN ABSENCE

If your child is absent, you **must report the absence each day by 8:30** a.m. using the Class Charts app.

If you are unable to report the absence through Class Charts, please email riverattendance@maidenerleghtrust.org.
Any attendance-related queries should also be directed to this email address.

Where possible, you should arrange medical appointments outside school hours. If this is not possible, we ask that you book appointments either early in the morning or towards the end of the school day to minimise disruption to learning. Your child should attend school before or after their appointment, even if they are only able to attend for part of the day.

ClassCharts

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UNDER THE WEATHER FORM

Please complete the following Under the Weather Form – Fill in form if your child will be attending school while feeling a little unwell, so that we are aware and can offer support if needed.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

When reporting a medical appointment on Class Charts, please include the appointment time and whether your child will arrive late or need to be collected early. You should also upload evidence of the appointment using the evidence section in Class Charts.

If your child is unwell, please refer to NHS guidance when deciding whether they should remain at home.

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REQUESTING LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Following changes in legislation, schools can no longer authorise leave during term time unless exceptional circumstances apply. If you need to request an absence of more than one day, you must complete the following absence request form RIV Absence request form 2026/27 – Fill in form at least 15 days before the proposed absence.
Approval will only be granted at the Headteacher's discretion. Please note that family holidays taken during term time are not considered exceptional circumstances. If your child will be absent for a single day, you should report the absence through Class Charts rather than completing an absence request form.

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River Academy Car Park is for staff and those students and parents/carers that have a **blue badge.**

If you are collecting your young person by car, please use Rivermead Overflow/Garden Centre.
You must **not** park in the local businesses on Richfield Avenue.

Slough Borough Council

Please apply for Free School Meals via:

FSM Eligibility Checker

ParentPay

If you wish to purchase a padlock from school for your locker, they are £3.60

Padlock Link

Uniform Donations

Has your child outgrown their uniform?

Donate good quality school uniform to help other students get the uniform they need!

Drop off point: Reception or Student Services

Criteria:

- In good condition
- No rips or tears
- No stains
- Clean

Items to donate: Blazers, jumpers, skirts, trousers, ties, PE kits, trainers, school shoes, football boots etc