



Welcome to Key Stage 2 from Mr Calvert - KS2 Lead and Deputy Headteacher

Dear KS2 parents and carers,

I am writing to you all as we start this new academic year at Riverside School to introduce myself as the Key Stage 2 Leader. I know for most parents, I am already a familiar face, having taught at Riverside for over 12 years; in every year group from Year 2 upwards. For those of you who I am yet to meet, I am teaching in Year 4 and 5 this year and looking forward to working with you all to ensure that your children are settled and able to make the most progress possible.

My KS2 lead role is to support all staff, parents and pupils in KS2 with aspects of learning and behaviour management as well as children's social and emotional development. As part of our school leadership team, we are looking to ensure that there is a consistent approach to teaching and learning right from Early Years up to Year 6. From a parents perspective, if you have any queries about your child's learning or development, your first point of contact is to their class teacher. If you feel that your query is something that goes beyond the classroom - you may wish to discuss this with me.

We have high expectations of all our pupils in KS2 and we are proud of how our pupils conduct themselves. As the Key Stage Leader, your children may come to see me for positive feedback and praise when they have done something that their teachers feel deserves extra recognition. Subsequently, children may also come to see me if their behaviour has dipped below what we expect of our pupils. In this instance, you as parents will be informed. There is clarity for pupils and parents on how this will look in our 'Relationships Policy'.

For those students in Year 3 who are new to KS2, I will be arranging a time with teachers when I can visit and welcome them to Key Stage 2, reassuring them that I am here to support them and their learning and I will be frequently checking-in with them over the year.

We have got a lot of exciting things happening this year and I encourage all of our pupils to grasp as many of the opportunities as possible that are available to them. We have sporting opportunities, various trips, extra-curricular clubs, music lessons, choir and of course, our end of term carol concert! You will all hopefully be aware of your year group meetings taking place next week where you can find more individual information on your child's specific Year group.

The children have made an excellent start to the new term and I look forward to us continuing to work together as a school community to provide the best possible experience for all of our pupils. As Mr Styles regularly says, we are a community and when we support each other, the children at Riverside thrive.

If you need to get in touch with me regarding anything specific to do with Key Stage 2, please get in touch via schooloffice@rs.starmat.uk or call 01937 832899.

Best wishes,

Mr William Calvert