

RIVERSIDE

# THE RIVERSIDE TIMES

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‘We do not remember days, we remember moments.’

-Cesare Pavese

# Proud Moments



Congratulations to **Kiran Ma'am** for receiving the **Hindu BusinessLine Changemaker Award!**

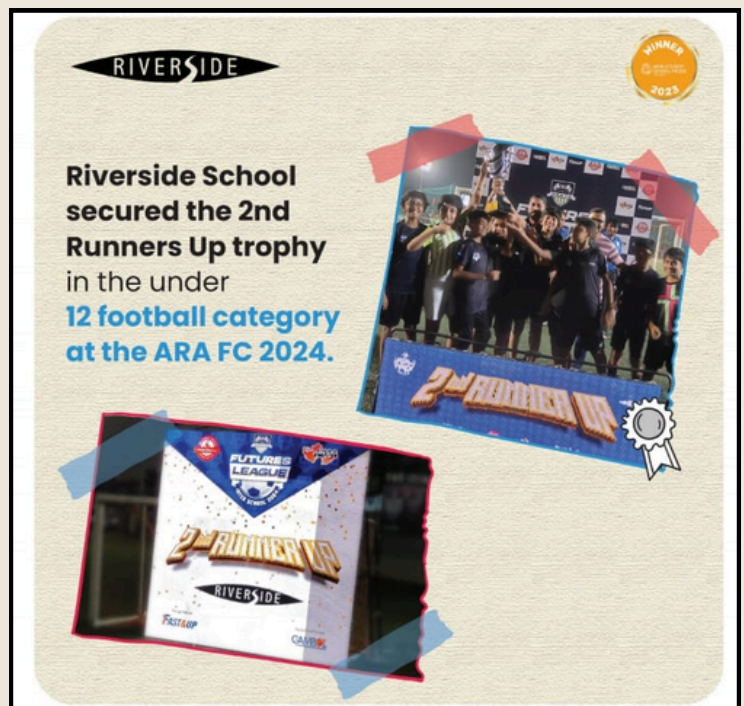


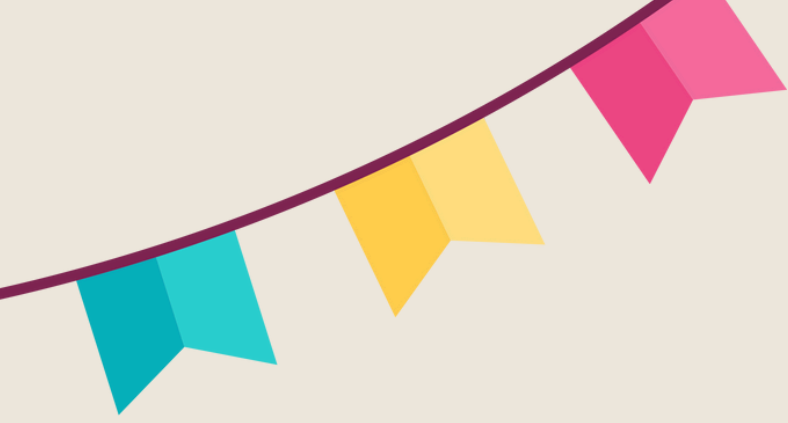
Kudos to **Deepa Ma'am**, our dedicated school leader, for being honored with the **Inspirational Guru Award** from the **SSVM Group**. We are proud of her remarkable journey, filled with perseverance, creativity, and growth, which has made a lasting impact on the Riverside School community.



Riverside being awarded with Platinum for the title of **'Best school to work at.'**


# Student Achievements





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WINNER  
2023



Thrilled to announce that **Rakshith has clinched 3rd place** in Drone Flying Competition at Science City!

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WINNER  
2023



**Arhaan Won Silver in the 200m Back Stroke U-14** at the **ISSO National Games** in Pune, also placing **4th in the 50m** Back and Breast Strokes. He excelled as one of the youngest competitors in his category.

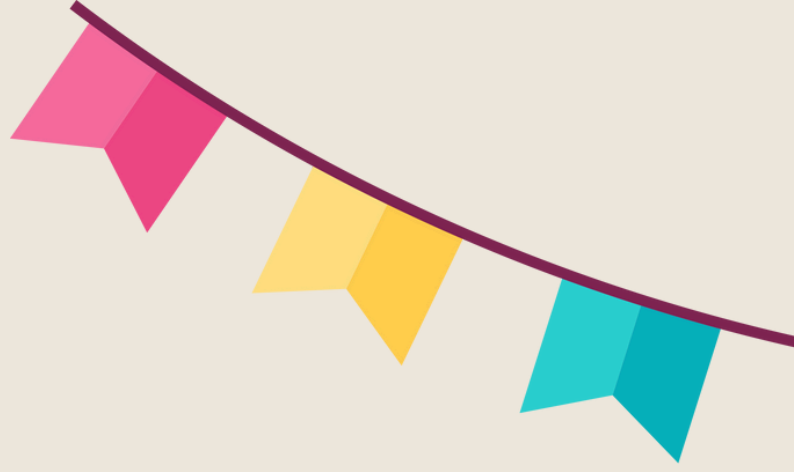


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WINNER  
2023



**Congratulations to our Under-17 Girls' Football Team** for becoming the Ahmedabad City **Champions in SGFI!** An extra cheer for the **11 out of 16 girls and 3 out of 16 boys** selected for the state team. Special thanks to **Dhruv Sir, Tejas Sir, Sagar Sir, and Dinesh Sir** for their dedicated coaching. Go, Riverside!



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WINNER  
Golden Boot  
2023

*Om Shah, Grade 9, shone brightly in the same tournament,*  
earning the **Man of the Match** title four times, the highest in the competition.

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WINNER  
Golden Boot  
2023

*Congratulations to Viyana*  
for winning a **gold medal** in softball throw, a **silver** in the 50 meters, and a **bronze** in long jump!

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WINNER  
Golden Boot  
2023

*Huge applause for Reyna*  
who secured **three gold medals** in the 50 meters, 100 meters, and 200 meters!

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WINNER  
Golden Boot  
2023

*Arhaan Shah, Grade 4 won the prestigious Golden Boot Award*  
for scoring the **highest** in the Enjogo Tournament's **U-10 category**, an incredible accomplishment in only his second tournament.





We are proud to share that our student, **Siddhant Raj of Grade 9** received the **Silver award** for his essay at the **Queen's Commonwealth** essay competition. The **Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition 2024** is the world's oldest international writing competition for schools, **established in 1883**. With thousands of young people from different parts of the world taking part each year, it is an important way to recognize achievement, elevate youth voices and develop key skills through creative writing.

After rigorous **5 matches**, **Yohaán** is in the **Top 5 under 14 boys team of Ahmedabad** who will represent Ahmedabad city in the **State Meet** to be held next month.



Riverside students competed in the **CEMC Math** competition that spans the entire globe. Our students have managed to appear within the **top 25% of the globe**.

**KS2 Itchha Chainani**

*“Our students make sure they challenge us everyday, and that’s why I love coming to Riverside everyday- because it’s not monotonous and it’s full of growth.”*



**KS3 Simran Kurseja**



*“The opportunity to use various mediums to teach and the relationship I share with my students.”*

*What do you  
love about  
teaching at  
Riverside?*

**KS1 Vidhi Rajdev**

*“Teachers are given the freedom to experience new things, it is a vibrant place and we can co-create with students.”*



**KS3 Jimmy Andrews**



*“One thing I love about teaching at Riverside is the ability to be yourself and connecting with the students and the overall experience of exploring your subject with the learners.”*

**KS2 Bhavika Chandnani**

*“It’s been 17 years as an educator at Riverside and every day is a new day for me because the innovation and creativity at the school drives me.”*



**KS1 Dhwani Soni**



*“I enjoy working here because it allows me the freedom to explore my ideas and see them come to life. It's a place where creativity and initiative are truly valued.”*

# KeyStage 1 Happenings

Pre-K



Nature Walk



Visit to Sugar Rush



Passion Project-Music and Movement



Passion Project- Painting

K1

K2



Class Visit to Dental Clinic



Passion Project- Music and Movement

*"Life starts all over again when  
it gets crisp in the fall."  
-F. Scott Fitzgerald*



**Passion Project- Folk Dance**



**Passion Project- Cooking**

## Grade 1



## Grade 2



**No-Chairs Experience**



**Passion Project-Photography**



# KeyStage 2 Happenings

## Grade 3



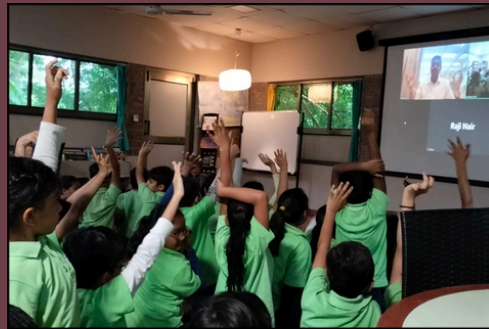
Art Immersion



Visit to Akshay Patra



Nature Cycle of Waste Management



Expert intervention on Coding

## Grade 4

## Grade 5



Citizenship- Story telling



Grade 5 has taken a buddy challenge to elevate their own learning along with scaffolding their buddies to help them improve in their academics.

*"Autumn, the season that teaches us that change can be beautiful."*

*-Oscar Wilde*



**Expert Intervention-  
Cardio Vascular System**



**AI Simulation-  
Phases of the Moon**

## Grade 6



## Grade 7



**Visit to Serinity Library**



**Buddy Interaction**

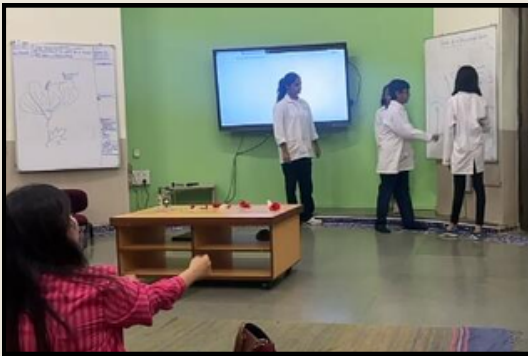
# KeyStage 2 SLMLV



Grade 3



Grade 5



Grade 7



Grade 4



Grade 6



# KeyStage 3 Happenings

## Academics



Midterm Preparation- Rigour



Midterm- Tone Setting



Grade 11 Using AI to Analyse AOs for Different Subjects



Teachers Attending AI Workshop

## Upskilling using AI

## Fitness



Physical Fitness Workshops-  
Yoga



Boy's Football Match

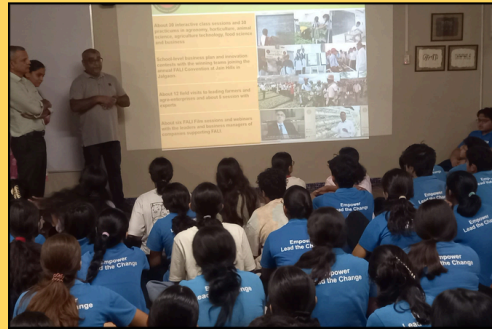
# KeyStage 3 Open House



Collaborative feedback provided by teachers after checking, correcting and reviewing midterm papers



Grade 11 working towards planting as a way of learning experimental skills.



An inspiration session by FALI e+ organisation on sustainable agricultural entrepreneurship as an internship, carrier option and a way of living.

## Developing Skills

## Community



DFC Meeting with Kirti Ma'am



KeyStage DEAR Time

# KeyStage 3: Persistence



Tiffin Service



Grade 8-  
Approach



Suvarna Mandir



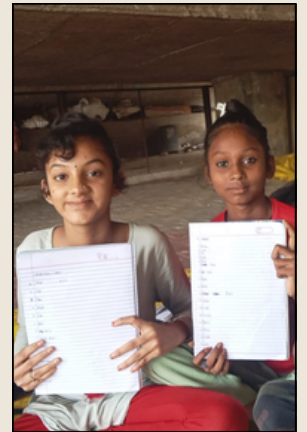
Manav Mitra



Jeevan Sandhya



Manav Seva



“Be the spark  
that ignites  
change through  
one act of  
passion”

Garden School



Jumpstart



Shastri School



# Sustainability in full gear



Sustainability club working towards reuse of papers from old notebooks.

Sustainability club planning for Daan Utsav for KS3.



Street play on waste management by Grade 4.



Hook to the 'Dirt to Gold' challenge in KS3.



Introducing the 'Dirt to Gold' challenge to the teacher team.

*"We do not inherit the Earth from our ancestors- we borrow it from our children."*

# Clubs and Communities

## Editorial Board



Behind the scenes of the making of the monthly newsletter...

## Sustainability Club



Jaya ma'am took Grade 4 students on a hands-on journey to learn about composting. She not only explained the process but also showed them the composting cycle in nature up close. The children had an unforgettable experience.

## Innovation Team



The Innovation team conducted a session with several leaders of schools across Ahmedabad. They took a hands-on workshop on prompt engineering and an activity showcasing the effective usage of AI. Next, Muzammil sir took the reins and covered an extensive AI literacy curriculum, offering a teacher's perspective on AI and how it can be utilized for education.

## Music Club

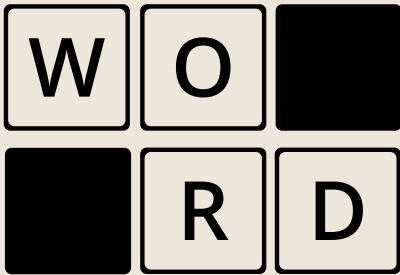


The students in the music club have been practicing for their upcoming performance, they've been quite adaptive and efficient in learning new songs and practicing without the standard equipment like drums and microphones.

It looks to be shaping up to another memorable performance by the KeyStage 3 here at Riverside.

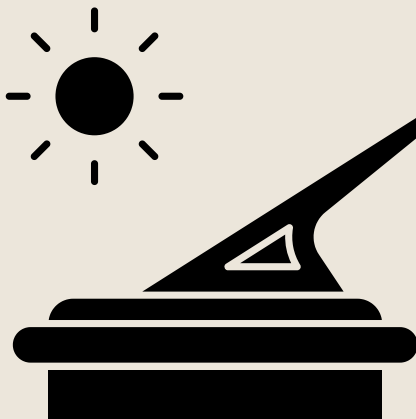
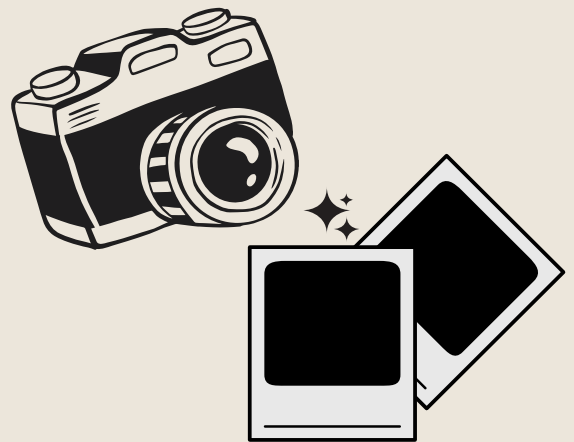


# Brain Teasers



1). There is a word in the English language in which the first two letters signify a male, the first three letters signify a female, the first four signify a great man, and the whole word, a great woman.  
What is the word?

2). A man is looking at a photograph of someone. His friend asks who it is. The man replies, "Brother and sisters, I have none. But that man's father is my father's son."  
Who was in the photograph?



3). A sundial has the fewest moving parts of any timepiece.  
Which has the most?

## Answers:

1). *Heroine*

2). *His son*

3). *An hourglass- it has thousands of grains of sand*

# Selected Works

## Series Review- How to Train Your Dragon



By Garima Biyani, Gr.11

Most people have heard of the How to Train Your Dragon franchise. With three movies spanning a decade and excellent characters, it is a beloved series for many. There is, of course, debate over which movie is the best. The first movie introduces us to Hiccup and Toothless and the amazing bond they share. In the second movie, we watch Hiccup grow and come to embrace his role as leader and chief of his people. The third movie is a devastating but fitting conclusion to the series as Hiccup and Toothless part ways to lead the people of Berk and all the dragons respectively. However, not many are aware of the hidden gem of the franchise: How to Train Your Dragon: Race to the Edge.

The TV series set in the interim between the first two films spans six seasons and is available on Netflix. I would argue that it is the best written work of cinematic genius that has been produced in the history of the franchise, if not Dreamworks itself. The characters are explored to a degree that is simply not possible in a two-hour long film. The humor is brilliant (shoutout to the twins). Hiccstrid is (finally) made official. There is drama and character growth and the villains, ugh, the villains. The best animated villain ever came from this series and he is magnificent. Period.

The series is set after the events of the first movie and the first two accompanying TV shows (Riders of Berk and Defenders of Berk). Though they do provide valuable context (and fun shenanigans) during the gang's teenage years, I don't think they are necessary to follow along with Race to the Edge.



The Worn-Out Shelves (2023)

This artwork depicts the monotony of the library in an academy, which remains in the same spot every day while being surrounded by many objects.

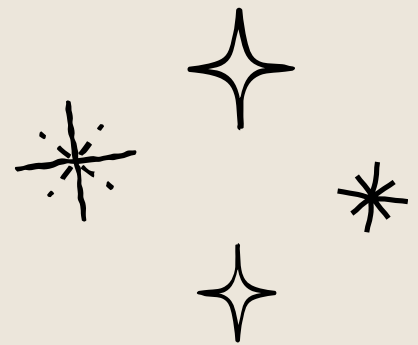


Deserted (2023)

This artwork shows a "Deserted" house in the vivid, lush forest. The bright colours accentuate the beauty of nature adorning an abandoned yet beautiful homestead.

## Art Display

By Aarzu Joshipura  
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## Book Review- The Inheritance Games

The Inheritance Games by Jennifer Lynn Barnes is a young adult novel that combines mystery, family drama, and a hint of romance. The story follows Avery Grambs, an ordinary teenager whose life changes when she unexpectedly inherits the fortune of billionaire Tobias Hawthorne. The twist? Neither Avery nor the Hawthorne family knows why she was chosen. To claim her inheritance, Avery must live in the Hawthorne estate for a year, surrounded by a family that resents her.

The central plot revolves around Avery and the four Hawthorne brothers—Grayson, the "heir"; Nash, the laid-back "cowboy"; Jameson, the thrill-seeking "puzzle solver"; and Xander, the quirky "machine enthusiast." Together, they unravel the puzzle left by their grandfather, navigating through family secrets and rivalries. As Avery gets closer to the truth, an unexpected twist leaves her and the Hawthorne family shocked, ending the story on a suspenseful cliffhanger.

Avery's resilience is a major strength of the novel. Despite the hostility from the Hawthorne family and threats on her life, she remains determined to solve the mystery. Jameson's obsession with puzzles adds energy to the story, while Xander's humor and warmth make him a particularly likable character. Grayson's protective, hot-and-cold attitude toward Avery, while initially intriguing, becomes somewhat predictable, and Nash's role is more supportive than central.

The novel explores themes of wealth, family, and identity, particularly the concept of inheritance and the sacrifices made for loved ones. The treasure-hunt style of the plot, filled with secret passages and clues, keeps readers engaged, though certain parts—like Avery and Jameson's prolonged search for a tree—can feel repetitive.

One character that feels less essential is Emily, Jameson's deceased ex-girlfriend. Her involvement in the story seems unnecessary in this book, though she may play a larger role in future installments.

Overall, the relationships between Avery and the Hawthorne brothers, especially Xander, bring warmth and humor to the novel. Despite their competition, the brothers maintain a healthy bond, adding to the family drama. The Inheritance Games is a fast-paced, engaging novel, perfect for fans of young adult mysteries. Its blend of suspense, intriguing puzzles, and well-crafted characters makes it a compelling read. I would rate it 4 out of 5 stars for its captivating plot and strong character development.

If you enjoy thrilling, puzzle-filled mysteries with a touch of family drama, this book is highly recommended



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