

10th June 2022

Dear Families,

I hope that you are all well.

We have had a great first week back, with Jubilee Celebrations across all three sites. From bunting hanging to crown designing, carriage making to corgi racing, we have enjoyed a range of creative activities to start this final half term and we are all looking forward to many more fun events in the coming weeks.

I would like to use today's letter to share some very exciting news with you. We have been asked by the Local Authority to provide some additional school places in September 2022 and, as our existing three sites are at full capacity, we are delighted to let you know that we will be opening a fourth site at the beginning of next term. This will be based at the Phoenix Centre in Bromley and we will be using the classroom spaces for our youngest children. Many of these children will be new to the school, although there may also be opportunities for a small number of existing Riverside children to transfer there, if it is right for them and their families to do so. In the first instance, we are looking at approximately 16 children being placed at the fourth site and this will increase next year, with exact final numbers to be confirmed in due course.

We see this new venture as a really positive one for everyone at Riverside School and for all our existing families. Please be assured that opening a fourth site will not impact negatively on your child in any way. We are in the process of organising our staff teams across all four sites for the Autumn Term and if we can make a positive difference to more children and families in Bromley, then we are delighted to be able to play our part.

To end today's letter, we have pleasure in sharing our International Dance Day film with you and we hope that you enjoy sharing it with your child.

Here's to a sunny, happy and fun-filled final half term and we look forward to seeing you at many of our upcoming events.

With very best wishes,

Steve Solomons
Headteacher