



# RIPLLEY ENDOWED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

We strive to be a 'peace-full' school that our whole community can be proud of, where we work together (share) through mutual reliance and support (trust) so that all can fulfil their potential (aspire) in a world where everyone's God-given talents, skills and experiences are recognised and valued (respect).

'Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing' 1 Thessalonians 5:11

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER– 11th June 2021

### WHAT WE HAVE DONE THIS WEEK

Ducklings have had an amazing week back at school, not only have we welcomed a new duckling into the class, but we have also had a mother duck with her ducklings settle outside. The children have loved watching them over the last couple of days they also enjoyed a snack with them in the outdoor area. The Queen's afternoon tea has played a big part of our learning this week, we have been making crowns and decorations ready for today's afternoon tea. The children all look lovely in their shirts and dresses, we even had a knight make an appearance for the day.

The Swallow's have had a great first week back after half term. We have been learning a new story as part of our English lessons which the children are really enjoying and have been busy writing book reviews as well as retelling the story using puppets! We are continuing our Living things in their habitats topic in Science and the children were very excited this week that a family of ducks have decided to make our playground their new habitat! The children have been making sure they have everything they need for their habitat including food, water and shelter. Swallow's have also started athletics in PE and will also begin practising for Sports Days which they are all very excited about! As part of learning about special places in RE, following Worship this morning, we took a trip to All Saints Church in the village.

What a lovely, sunny first week back we have had in Robins! We have really enjoyed the challenge of exploring the relationship between 'part' and 'whole' in maths as we prepare to learn about fractions. In English we have completed our prediction and comprehension phases using the short film 'Hunted', using the techniques of 'sound on/vision off' and 'palette picker' to make predictions and 'role-on-the-wall' and 'hot-seating' to really explore character. As we complete our PSHE focus of Healthy Me, we have been able to give thoughtful and sensible advice to others about how to keep safe and well. Lovely to see the blossoming responsible citizens that Robins have become this year! In Science we investigated materials as they change state. We observed how heat can cause solids to change to liquids and vice versa. Robins carried out a fair test to find the melting point of chocolate. A very scientific and tasty science session.

This week in Falcons we have... started to practice the songs for our fantastic musical Star Wars: the Umpire Strikes Back and it's sounding very promising! We've also held auditions for those who want larger roles in the production and roles will be allocated on Monday. Elsewhere we've had a very scientific time investigating the varying melting points of a range of solids, we watched a lovely short film called 'The Present' and used it as a stimulus for some super creative writing, we've made great strides with our class guided reading book Wonder and finished our 'healthy me' PSHE unit by thinking about what makes a healthy lifestyle. Awesome!

KS2 had an exciting, challenging and fun first lesson from our Cricket Pro Mr Jobling this week, who was really impressed with the determination and team-work shown by all our children in Robins and Falcons.

We ended the week as always with Friday outdoor Worship, with this weeks theme being Family.

### ATTENDANCE

	Swallows	Robins	Falcons
Week	99.05%	96.91%	99.05%
Year	98.18%	98.79%	98.18%

Each week we publish the attendance from September for each class. Our aspirational target for each class is 97%.  
\* figures exclude pupils off self isolating.

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	EVENT
17th June	Class/Yr 6 Leavers Photos
5th –9th July	Enrichment Week
6th July	Sports Day - Cricket Field 1pm
9th July	Hesketh Farm Trip
21st July	End of Year KS2 Production 5pm Town Hall.
23rd July	Last day of Term, Leavers Assembly



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## WHAT WE HAVE DONE THIS WEEK Cont....

This afternoon the whole school also enjoyed a wonderful Royal afternoon tea in the gardens at lunch time in honour of Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday. A huge thank you to Mrs Atkinson for a wonderful spread and to all the children who made such an effort to get dressed up and raised £49 towards School Council projects.

## HESKETH FARM

A reminder that payment for Hesketh Farm is now live on ParentMail +Pay and due by Friday 25th June. The cost of the trip, including transport is £15. We must re-emphasise that if payment isn't made we may need to cancel the trip in full.

## CHILDCARE VOUCHERS

Our account for tax free child care vouchers is now set up. We appreciate it has been a lengthy process, so thank you for your patience. When you make payment you will need to email Mrs Randall and let her know the date you paid it, the amount and what it is for e.g. Non funded hours, dinners, before or afterschool club. Please give an overall payment and a breakdown of each item if paying for more than one thing, so Mrs Randall can manually override each item on ParentMail +Pay as they are billed separately and in different ways. Many thanks

## CLASS PHOTOS

A reminder that Nikki Mitchell will be returning next Thursday, 17th June to take class photos, year 6 leavers photos and individual photos for Ducklings (including Ducklings and siblings). Please ensure that all children are in full correct uniform. Swallows should not wear their PE kit that day.

## EUROS 2020!

Football fever has taken over Ripley School. This week our children have entered a lucky dip and drawn a country to follow, in the slightly later than planned, Euros 2020! You should have by now been shown the Euro Country Fact File Sheet to complete at home. It would be great to see the children researching and finding out about their country. Of course we will have prizes for the children: the winning team of the Euros, the wooden spoon award, the greatest defeat, and the most goals scored. All the staff have also chosen a country to follow (not that we are competitive!) So we hope you all enjoy watching the Euros, playing some football outside and learning about new countries.



## WHERE IN THE WORLD?

Following on from our Euros excitement, can you find out where in the world this is? Study the photo closely, which Euro host city is this from? Send your responses via Seesaw.





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## ★ S.T.A.R of the Week ★

Congratulations to all our stars of the week who have all demonstrated our 'Aspire', 'Share' and 'Respect' Star quality this week.

Falcons: Henry for 'Aspire'. For trying hard in every lesson, day in day out, whatever the weather. A real champ!

Robins: Aoife for 'Respect'. Aoife, we have noticed how positive and enthusiastic you are about everything you are doing in school. You show great respect towards yourself and your learning, as well as those around you. Keep up this brilliant attitude.

Swallows: Ava R for 'Aspire'. Ava has been working really hard particularly on her reading and writing. She is making great progress in both areas and Ava should be really proud of her achievements, well done!

Ducklings: William for 'Share'. You have formed friendships and settled in well. You have had a lovely week. Welcome to Ducklings!

## Weekly Awards

### The House Captain Award this week go to....

Ingilby - Theo for trying hard in Maths  
Nidd - Arthur for being well behaved at break time  
Brimham - Elora for being good at lunch

### The House Points Award this week go to....

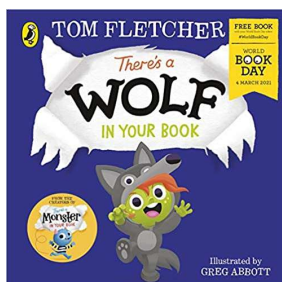
Falcons - Sam (Nidd)  
Robins - Tommy (Brimham)  
Swallows - Melody and Edward (Brimham)

Our Super Sentence Winner in Swallows this week is.... Otto!

# Ripley's Recommended Reads

This Weeks Recommended Read is There's a Wolf in your book by Tom Fletcher

Recommended by Ava R Year 1



'I chose this book because I like how the witch is disguised as the wolf' Ava R Year 1

LOOK! Who's that inside your book?  
First came a Monster, then a Dragon, an Alien, and a Witch.  
And now... WOW! They have made you a book! A book inside a book! (I wonder what could be inside?)



Reading gives you wings.

Explore this interactive adventure and help the friends as they try and get rid of the BIG BAD WOLF that has taken over their book! This celebration of reading, performing, and dressing up was written specially for World Book Day 2021. This, along with the whole series of 'Who's in your book' are great reads for our Pre-School, Reception and Year 1 children.



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## Friends of Ripley School (FORS)

If anyone would like to help us drive some fun activities this term to raise some money and would like to join the friends WhatsApp group, please message Grace on 07503185553, who will add you to the group.

## School Council

On Friday 18th June, School Council will be running a tuckshop in the school courtyard selling ice-pops. Ice pops will be 50p each. Parents can pay using cash, but it must be the exact amount. Alternatively you can pay on ParentMail before 2pm on Friday 18th and School Council will have a list of who has paid.

## Safeguarding

### **What Parents and Carers Need to Know About Parental Controls to Protect Privacy**

“This app is requesting permission to access the camera roll. Your experience of this app will be improved if you turn on location services. ‘App X’ wants to sync with your calendar” How many times do we see pop-up messages like this on our phone – and just click ‘accept’ without really thinking it over?

The privacy settings on your child’s smartphone give you control over how the information stored on it can be used. You can turn off location services, for example, to keep their whereabouts private or stop apps from accessing functions of the phone like the camera or microphone.

Attached to our newsletter are step-by-step guides on how to tighten up privacy settings on iPhones and Android phones. You will find a number of tips such as managing app permissions, managing location settings and controlling access for third-party apps and sites. This will allow you control over the information your child’s phone might be giving away, you can use parental controls to pick and choose what your child’s phone can share.

Also attached is a flyer with information on 10 apps that children are using which parents need to know about.

If you are concerned about a child’s welfare please contact: Mr Gary Williams - Designated Safeguarding Lead on 01423 770160 or Mrs Lisa Jackson-Ward - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead on 01423 770160/01423 504642/01423 770576.