



# RIPLEY ENDOWED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Where we Aim for the STARs (Share, Trust, Aspire, Respect)

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER– 22nd October 2020

### WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS WEEK

This week in Swallows we have used the amazing illustrations in our book 'Pumpkin soup' to describe a scene. In Maths we have been thinking about the number 2, partitioning numbers in different ways and reasoning about numbers on a number line. As always the children thoroughly enjoyed their Forest School session on Tuesday when they went on a leaf picking mission around the village. We then used the leaves to hammer designs onto material and make flags. The afternoon was, as always, finished off round the campfire, this week eating fire cooked chicken noodles.

Another great week to finish this half term in Robins! Lots of brilliant maths thinking using known facts to find and solve problems about complements to 100; some fabulous coding in our computing lesson; and great whole class guided reading as we come to the end of our book 'Dick Turpin - Legends and Lies'. We have explored this text in detail using our prediction, comprehension and inference skills very effectively. I think we all came to the conclusion that he was definitely a baddy! We also used computers to type out information texts about our crime and punishment topic. Science has been electrifying this week, where we have looked at and drawn our own electric circuits using scientific symbols. See our Facebook page for photos of our autumnal circuits.

This week in Falcons we have been... visiting the courtroom and prison museums in Ripon where we found Jack guilty of horse-theft (he was sentenced to a public flogging!); decorated lunch bags for the senior members of the church congregation; carved some AMAZINGLY creative pumpkins for our competition; published our newspaper reports complete with headlines, images and captions; compared Christian and Muslim prayer routines; practiced using decimal numbers in units of measurement and in charts and graphs; created our final mountain masterpieces in art. Phew!

### Governing Body Announcement

As we come to the end of this half term, we sadly say goodbye to our Co-Chairs of Governors, Rose Gosling and Rachel O'Brien. They have dedicated not only hours of work, but also many years to our individual schools and guided us wisely through the federation process. They now pass on three strong and vibrant schools to Helen Smith and Helen White who are taking over this role. The staff and children wish to thank them for their guidance and commitment. We wish them all the very best for the future.

### School Photos

We were so grateful that the rain held off on Monday and Tuesday for Nikki to take some amazing photos of the children. Nikki is working round the clock to get all the albums edited ready for you to view as soon as possible. Nikki will send Mrs Randall individual album links for each family, which will then be forwarded on to you to view and place orders directly with Nikki.

### ATTENDANCE

	Swallows	Robins	Falcons
Week	100%	100%	100%
Year	98.28%	99.42%	97.75%

Each week we publish the attendance from September for each class. Our aspirational target for each class is 97%. Congratulations to all 3 classes this week for reaching 100%.  
\* figure exclude pupils off self isolating.

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	EVENT
22nd Oct 2020	School closes
2nd Nov 2020	School Re-opens
5th Nov 2020	Bonfire Lunch
WC 2nd Nov 2020	Poppy appeal week



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## Poppy Appeal

The Royal British Legion have made a delivery of some Poppy Appeal goodies which we will be selling when we return to school on the 2nd November. Items will be on sale Monday - Friday.

They ask for a minimum donation of 50p for a poppy and we also have the following items for sale (limited to 1 per pupil):

- Coloured Zip pull - suggested donation of 50p
- Poppy Reflector - suggested donation of 50p
- Silicon Wristband - suggested donation of £1.00
- Snap Band - suggested donation of £1.50

## Forest School - Robins and Swallows

From Autumn 2 it is the turn of Robins to take part in Tuesday afternoon Forest School Sessions. A letter has been sent home today with details of what clothing will be required. Please can you ensure that this is brought in on Monday 2nd November and remains in school until the end of term.

Swallows should continue to keep their Forest School Kit in school at all times.

## ★ Stars of the Week ★

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

Falcons: Jake for "Share". He always makes time and space to ensure he helps his classmates. He's never too busy to lend a hand – what a team player!

Robins: Tommy for "Respect". We have noticed how focused you have been with your learning and how determined you are to listen and work hard. You show respect towards everyone around you, but most importantly to yourself by always trying your best! Well done Tommy.

Swallows: Ava B for 'Aspire'. For her super maths reasoning and explaining her mathematical thinking. Well done Ava!

## Our Worship theme this week is.....

**"Co-operation"** Each week in our Friday Celebration Service we look at how the theme of the week has inspired the children.

Today in our whole school outdoor worship the children shared how they have been inspired by this weeks theme:

- ' I like to work with everyone in class and have fun ' Isla year 4
- ' I helped Jake with his Maths' Kaycie-Jade year 5
- ' I have co-operated with Joshua in Maths' Hugo year 5
- ' I helped Joseph across the logs' Amelie year 2



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## News from Friends of Ripley School

**Pumpkin Competition** - A huge thank you to The FORS for organising this years pumpkin competition. The children had great fun and raised a bit of money in the process. The judges had an exceptionally hard time deciding on the winners as everyone's were so fantastic. We had so many amazing sweet donations from parents of The FORS that we felt it only fair that everyone get a lolly as a thank you for all their hard work. They are all winners in our eyes! See our Facebook page for all the amazing design entries. Congratulations to Niamh and Ava, our winners in KS2 and KS1, and the 6 runners up - Cuthbert, Amelie, Evie, Aoife, Oscar and Samuel.

**Bags2School** - Everyone should have now received a Bags2School bag. Items that can be donated are listed on the outside of the bags. Bags should be brought into school and left in the school courtyard before 9am on Friday 6th November 2020. If you require additional bags, please contact Mrs Randall.

## Church News

**War Memorial Service** - Further to last weeks Newsletter and email, we would like to thank those parents who have confirmed that their children will be attending the service to lay a wreath on behalf of the school. All children attending have now been informed by Chloe Drummond, and due to limited capacity at the church, we are unfortunately unable to extend the invite for more children to attend the service on Sunday 8th November . Children attending are asked to arrive for 10.45am at Church, ready for a 10.55am start. Could we ask that children attending the service wear school uniform.

**All Saints' Choir** – The Choir are currently preparing for the Nine Lessons and Carol Service. If any children would like to join the choir for the service, they would be more than welcome. Members record themselves and then email David (the Choir Master) who puts it all together. Please contact Mrs Randall in the school office for more details.

**Sunday Service** - All Saints' Ripley. Booking is advised if you wish to attend church as spaces are limited. The service will also be streamed live on Facebook. For further information visit [www.theunitedbenefice.org](http://www.theunitedbenefice.org) or [facebook.com/ourfivechurches](https://facebook.com/ourfivechurches), and remember, your little ones can still take part in Sunday Superstars by following the weekly activities on their Facebook page [facebook.com/groups/sundaystars](https://facebook.com/groups/sundaystars)