



# RIPLY ENDOWED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER– 25th September 2020

### WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS WEEK

In History, Swallows have been discussing what makes a family. Thank you for all the photos already sent in. If you haven't done so already, we would still love to see your family photos. The children continue to enjoy Forest school and loved showing the new Reception children the ropes this week. All our Reception children learnt to light the fire and use tools safely. The popcorn at the end of the session was a big hit too! In English the children have been writing all things to do with lists! Writing about all the things they like and dislike, and some of their suggestions were very interesting!

It certainly feels like we've packed a lot in this week in Robins Class! Super community spirit shown by our children who gave up some of their lunch break to go litter-picking in the village on Monday (it was a lot of fun actually). On Tuesday we had a fabulous visit to Ripon Courthouse and the Police and Prison Museum to kick start our term's topic of Crime and Punishment (see our Facebook page for pictures!). We learnt so much and it was lovely to be safely out and about despite current restrictions. The children were an absolute credit to the school and themselves as always. Other highlights include learning how to read and write Roman numerals, creating detailed character descriptions and exploring the five pillars of Islam.

This week, Falcons have really got stuck into some great learning. We had enormous fun investigating electricity and circuits (the first stage in our Dragon's Den challenge to design, build and pitch a working prototype for an electronic scarecrow), painted minaret sunset silhouette landscapes in RE for our Islam unit, written some wonderful narrative poetry in English, looked at how people's online presence on sites like YouTube and Facebook might be judged by colleges and employers as part of our internet safety session and brushed up on our Hockey Skills.

As a school, all the children have finished their Christmas cards this week and yesterday they took part in our Harvest Festival service. It was lovely to be able to attend our first church service of the year and introduce our reception children to Revd. Paul. Thank you so very much for all the very kind and generous donations and to all the parents that were able to join the service via zoom. It really was so lovely to have so many of you with us, given we couldn't all attend the service together this year. For those who were not able to join yesterday, or who would like to view it again, a link to the full recording has been sent to all parents via email.

Phew!!...What a busy but amazing week.

### Open Day at Ripley

On Saturday the 10th of October and Saturday 14th November, we will be holding an open day from 10am-2pm for prospective parents. There will be marketing activities around these events over the next few weeks, but please share these dates with any prospective parents you may know.

### ATTENDANCE

	Swallows	Robins	Falcons
Week	99%	100%	100%
Year	98.59%	100%	99.16%

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

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	EVENT
12th Oct 2020	Flu Vaccinations (All years)
WC 19th Oct 2020	School Photos
10th Oct 2020	Open Day
22nd Oct 2020	School Closes
2nd November	School Re-Opens



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## ★ Stars of the Week ★

Congratulations to all our stars of the week who have demonstrated our 'Share' and 'Trust' Star qualities this week.

Falcons: Freddie, Evie, Jude, Elora and Annalise for 'Trust'. As part of the Worship Group, they were trusted to learn their lines and represent the school at church in our Harvest Service. In the words of Mr Williams 'You all aced it' Well done!

Robins: Halle for 'Share'. You are always willing to share your ideas and support your friends and learning partners—it is lovely to see such a generous spirit. Well done Halle!

Swallows: Cuthbert for 'Share'. Cuthbert has had a great start in Swallows Class and has made some great friends already; he is showing great confidence when interacting with his peers as well as the adults in school. Well done Cuthbert!

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

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

'I shared some of my ideas for our goldilocks description with my friends' - Eliza

'I have shared my toy rabbit with Isla' - Lewis

'I shared my time with Henry, when I helped him with his Maths'

## News from Friends of Ripley School

The next meeting will be held next week on Thursday 1st October. Zoom details will be emailed out closer to the time and all parents are welcome to join.

## Church News

Harvest Festival, 10am Sunday 27th September 2020, online and at 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)