



RIPLEY 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— 2nd July 2021

WHAT WE HAVE DONE THIS WEEK

This week Ducklings have enjoyed playing in the shop they constructed together. They have sold cakes to each other practicing paying for them with money. During the week they asked to bake a cake for their mums and dads. Together they made a cake and decorated it with lots of sprinkles.

In the garden they have enjoyed constructing a pirate ship, where they got into the pirate role and sang pirate songs.

All the children are extremely excited for sports day next week, we have been practicing the different races throughout the week.

This week the children in Swallows have been busy finishing off writing the story they have been learning in English 'The squeaky story'. All of Swallows have done a fantastic job and produced some fantastic writing we are very impressed!

The children have also started Food Technology as part of D.T and very much enjoyed designing and making jelly boats!

In Science the children have been learning all about food chains this week. The children then went on to draw and write about different food chains.

This week Robins have been exploring the Pentecost in their RE learning, through art and by using symbols to tell the story. They

tackled the tricky concepts of the Kingdom of God, the ascension, and the Holy Spirit, with thoughtful discussion and reflection. Our English work this term on story-writing, through texts and film, has led to the children embarking on developing their own story ideas this week - we are very excited to see the finished publications!

In Geography we continued studying the country of Greece. The children used atlases and maps to identify human and physical features of the country. They also investigated the mountainous landscape using topographic maps and started creating their own 3D map of Greece.

A huge thank you to Mr King for covering our Falcons class this week in Mr Williams absence. This week in RE the children have thought about what the Lords Prayer means and then written it for a KS1 audience. In Maths they have worked on understanding and calculating volumes, and solving Mathematical problems.

In English they have made great progress in understanding determiners, studied different Adventure stories which led to some great discussions, and today they have planned their own Adventure story to write next week based on the Rainforest. Working across the curriculum, the children made some amazing story boards on the life and works of Edward Jenner.

KS2 have also been extremely busy practising for Sports Day next week, and of course learning dance moves, songs and their lines for our end of term production. Thank you so much to Daisy (Freddie's older sister) for her invaluable help and expertise with choreography and direction!

ATTENDANCE

	Swallows	Robins	Falcons
Week	95.71%	97%	96.11%
Year	98.15%	98.63%	97.43%

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
5th –9th July	Enrichment Week
6th July	Sports Day - Cricket Field 1pm
8th July	Ripley's Got Talent, Bake Off and Artists Corner
9th July	Hesketh Farm Trip
21st July	End of Year KS2 Production 2pm and 5pm Town Hall.
23rd July	Last day of Term, Leavers Assembly



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INCREASED CHARGES FOR SCHOOL MEALS AND PRE SCHOOL

When we return in September there will be a small increase in the cost of school lunch if your child is in Key Stage 2 and you pay for school lunches. The new cost will be £2.60 per child per day. The increase is in line with North Yorkshire County Caterers and school make no profit from the lunches provided.

As always, we kindly request that you have sufficient funds in your child's school lunch money account to fulfil their lunches for the week on your ParentMail and never allow it to fall into arrears.

There will also be an increase in Pre-School fees to £6.00 per hour. More details will be uploaded to the website in due course.

Final invoices for Pre-School for this half term will go out next week.

Please make sure that there are no outstanding charges on any ParentMail account when the term ends on Friday 23rd July.

★ S.T.A.R of the Week ★

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

Falcons: Evie for 'Share'. Evie has shown real kindness and support to others, organised a get well soon card for Mr Williams, and made her temporary teacher Mr King feel very welcome!

Robins: Eliza for 'Aspire'. Eliza, you have really challenged yourself this week in your learning and not even let tricky fraction work stop you! We are proud of your resilience and positive attitude.

Swallows: Cuthbert for 'Aspire'. Cuthbert consistently works hard however; we have been particularly impressed with his writing skills! You are making great progress so well done and keep it up!

Ducklings: Edward for 'Share' you have shown excellent sharing skills, you have shared toys and resources as well as your ideas with the class. Well done Edward!

Weekly Awards

The House Captains Award this week go to....

Nidd - Aoife for being well behaved

Ingilby - Jack for helping his friend in every subject without being asked

Brimham - Halle for being kind

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

Falcons - Theo (Ingilby) and Henry (Brimham)

Robins - Isla (Ingilby)

Swallows - Albert (Brimham)

Our Super Sentence Winner in Swallows this week is.... Bella

SMIRF's Awards - Well done Marcus for completing Venus!



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Go Green with the Summer Reading Challenge 2021!

Children can once again sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at their local library during the holidays. This year the theme is Wild World Heroes and is all about nature and looking after the planet.

The challenge is to read 6 library books of their choice and collect special stickers and other prizes along the way – everyone who finishes will receive a limited edition Wild World Heroes medal and a certificate. Any child aged 4 to 11 can join in and the challenge runs from Sat 10th July until Sat 11th Sept.

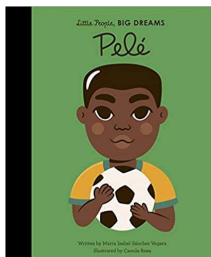
There will also be a fantastic programme of online activities to go with the challenge – whilst there will be some pre-recorded activities available on the @nycclibraries Facebook page, many of the activities will require bookings to be made via Eventbrite- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/north-yorkshire-libraries-32465924701>

Some libraries may be able to have events in the library, depending on Covid restrictions – just ask at your local branch.

Ripley's Recommended Reads

This Weeks Recommended Read is Little People BIG DREAMS Pele

Recommended by Mrs Bassitt



What a great book choice in light of the current Euro's! This is the story of a young boy in Brazil

who had a dream, honed his skills and achieved his goal of leading his country to World cup victory - not once but 3 times!

The Little People Big Dreams book are a favourite amongst both the children and staff at Ripley.

Little People, BIG DREAMS is a bestselling series of books and educational games that explore the lives of outstanding people, from designers and artists to scientists and activists. All of them achieved incredible things, yet each began life as a child with a dream.



Reading gives you
wings.

The Winners of this months reading challenge are.....

Swallows - Joseph

Robins - Hannah

Falcons - Jack



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EUROS 2020!

What an exciting week it has been for England! Did you guess last weeks host city? It was of course St Petersburg.

In which Euro host city would you find this amazing building? Look closely for any clues. Send your answers on Seesaw or comment on our Facebook page.

WHERE IN THE WORLD?



Friends of Ripley School

I thought I'd get in before the real end of term stuff all kicks off- as there are a few things I'd like to ask you all to think about! Firstly on behalf of friends I want to say a huge thank you to all the staff. This year has been one of the toughest ever, with crisis after crisis being thrown at you, and the way you've kept going, caring about our children, keeping a brave face on through some really difficult things. You are all the reason we love Ripley, and Mr Williams we will miss you!

It's been an unusual year for Friends too. We've not held an AGM because of Covid, and not done our usual "after Friday worship" Meetings! I'm hoping we can hold an AGM in September, where we can eat cake, elect officers, and plan for the year ahead.

There are two roles we need to fill next year. The first is Banker. As we move to a contactless system of payments (huge thank you to Mrs Randall for making that possible) this will be a much less onerous role, but involves handling cash and working alongside Tracey, our treasurer on the finance side. Have a chat with Helen or Tracey to find out more. The second role is Chair. It's another relatively light role, being the person who is the "contact" and who calls meetings etc, as well as helping Georgina our secretary overseeing that stuff happens when it should, and writing the odd newsletter piece ! I'm happy to chat to you about it, and to support you in the transition.

If you'd like to take on either of these roles just let me know. Friends is made up of all of us, muddling along and raising funds to support school, everyone brings ideas and no one person is responsible for everything. This year, as chair, I've been so grateful to everyone who has organised events and activities to enrich our children's experience of school. I wonder what your favourite fundraiser has been? And I wonder what you'd like to organise or be part of?

Grace Cauldwell (Chair of Friends of Ripley School)

Church News

Sunday Stars meet on the second and fourth Sundays of every month for fun, games, worship and praise. We congregate in Ripley Town Hall at 10.30am, allowing time for parents/carers to make their way to All Saints' Ripley for the service at 10.45am, if you choose to do so. Children will join the congregation in church towards the end of the service, and are to be collected from there. If you plan to attend, we ask that you please book in advance to help us plan for a fun and safe morning - you can find links to the necessary forms on our website theunitedbenefice.org.

Our next gathering is **Sunday 11th July**. We look forward to seeing you soon - children of all ages welcome!

Please note: due to current Covid limitations, parents/Carers cannot accompany children for the duration of the session in the Town Hall unless in exceptional circumstances.



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Safeguarding

It's been an anxious year for many adults, children and young people alike. We know many of you are worried about the impact of the pandemic on your children.

BRAND NEW!! Online course 'Understanding your child's mental health and wellbeing' from the Solihull Approach (NHS).

Access for free:

Did you know North Yorkshire County Council have PRE-PAID for every parent and carer in North Yorkshire to access a course for parents/carers (access now for life-long access)? FREE (with access code: [NYFAMILIES](https://www.inourplace.co.uk) at: www.inourplace.co.uk) for residents in our area. There are courses for parents, carers and grandparents about children from bump to 19+ years.

How do I access?

www.inourplace.co.uk

What's the code?

- If you haven't used it already here is the access code for all the online courses (funded for residents): [NYFAMILIES](https://www.inourplace.co.uk)
- If, like many parents, you have already used this code, log into your account here and this course will be ready in your dashboard to start whenever you are ready.

Can I tell my family and friends?

Absolutely! Share the news with family members and other families in the area so that they too can take advantage of this fantastic opportunity.

How long is it?

'Understanding your child's mental health and wellbeing' itself is in 2 parts (2 modules long in total):

1. Take Part 1....
2. ...then take 'Understanding your child' OR 'Understanding your child with additional needs' (11 modules each taking 10-15 minutes to complete, benefitting from time to digest in between)....
3. ...then take Part 2.

If you like this...

...you might like the other courses 'Understanding your teenager's brain' (short course) or 'Understanding your child's feelings' (taster course), or other courses in the series. www.inourplace.co.uk

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.