

CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Growing Together, Guided by Love'

NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2023

FEDERATION ATTENDANCE - YTD

	WHOLE SCHOOL	CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 4
RIPLEY	97%	99%	96%	94%	NA
BECKWITHSHAW	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%
KETTLESING	97%	97%	97%	96%	NA

A reminder that all absences must be reported to the school office before 9am on each day of absence. Medical appointments should be booked outside of school hours, but when unavoidable a letter, text or email confirming the appointment must be given to the school for your child's attendance records. If we do not receive this documentation, children's attendance will be marked as unauthorised leave.

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, what an amazing few weeks I have had settling into the federation. I have absolutely loved the start of this new adventure and how welcome everyone has made me feel; I definitely don't feel like a nervous new member of staff.

It has been great getting to know the children and families and I look forward to developing these relationships over the coming weeks, months and years. Coming from a bigger school, it has been wonderful to get back to the heart of village school education (I spent the first part of my teaching career in smaller schools) and supporting the developing role within the community, as this is something I am passionate about continuing to support.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Elouise Foster

Deputy Headteacher



Reminders, Updates, and Information

ParentMail Accounts

A polite reminder that all dinners and wraparound care provision should be paid for in advance of meals/sessions being taken.

Charges are applied for the week every Friday, and there should be enough money on the account to clear the amount applied, as set out in the T&C's and in accordance with North Yorkshire school dinner policy. Where accounts fall into debt, letters will be issued by school.

If you would like to speak to someone in confidence about financial matters, please contact Mrs Randall in the school office.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	EVENT		
5th October	North Yorkshire fire safety talk		
5th October	Federation reading and phonics parents information evening - Ripley Town Hall 6pm.		
10th October	World Mental Heath Day		
9th October	Deadline for Christmas card orders and payment to be returned to school		
12th October	Open afternoon - 1.00pm - 3pm		
17th October	Parents evening		
18th October	Harvest Festival - 10am		
19th October	Parents evening		
20th October	Walk to school		
23rd October	Individual school photos		
23rd October	FORS pumpkin competition		
25th October	Whole school library trip		
27th October	FORS spooky disco		
30th October - 3rd November	Half Term - school closed		
6th November	School re-opens to all pupils		
8th November	Remembrance Day - 10.50am at the cenotaph		
13th - 17th Nov	Anti bullying week		
17th November	Children in Need		
23rd November	Nasal flu immunisations		
29th November	Dick Whittington panto trip		
3rd December	Christingle Service - All Saints Church Ripley. Please note the change of date.		

Reminders, Updates, and Information

FOREST SCHOOL DATES

Due to Class 2 being on a school trip last week, some of the future Forest School dates have changed. Please refer to the below for new dates involving Class 2 and 3. Class 1 dates remain the same as previously published.

Class 2 - 5th October and 16th November

Class 1 – 12th, 19th, 26th, October and 9th November 2023

Class 3 - 23rd, 30th November and 7th December 2023

Full forest school kit should be in school on the relevant dates above, all of which are a Thursday.

As the colder months are now approaching, please provide extra layers, waterproofs, gloves and scarves, wellies and spare sock.





Please help spread the word about our upcoming open afternoon on the 12th October. Prospective parents, and parents of current pupils are warmly invited to drop in between 1-3pm, take a look at the amazing work going on in school and speak with staff, pupils, and the PTA who will be providing teas and coffees at the event. If anyone would like some leaflets to distribute, please contact Mrs Randall in the school office.

CLUBS FOR AUTUMN 2 TERM

HARROGATE TOWN AFC - Tuesdays after school

We are delighted that we will be continuing our very popular Football club with Harrogate Town AFC for all pupils in years 1-6 for the Autumn 2 term. Booking and payment for this club will be available on ParentMail +Pay in the next few weeks. This will be on a first come first serve basis.

This will be the last term this year, that football club will be offered as an afterschool club. Harrogate AFC will then move to another school in the Federation so we offer the same clubs to all across the year. Details of new clubs for Spring will be published in due course..

SPORTING INFLUENCE - Wednesdays after school

Sporting Influence will continue to offer a Street Dance Club for pupils in years 1-6. Booking and payment for this club will be available on ParentMail +Pay in the next few weeks. This will be on a first come first serve basis. Sporting Influence will be providing an after school club every Wednesday for the whole academic year with the type of sport on offer changing each

term. By changing the club every term, we hope to offer a wider variety of activities with something for everyone across the year. This particular club has been very popular, so ensure you book your place when slots go live.

Full details, times, prices and booking information for both clubs will be emailed to all parents in years 1-6 over the next few weeks.

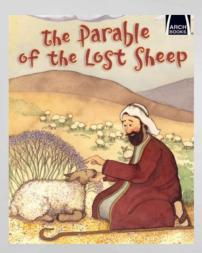
COLLECTIVE WORSHIP - COMMUNITY

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'God is love. Everyone who lives in love, lives in God and God lives in them.'

John 4:16

Community







We are exploring the Christian Value of Community. This Christian Value comes from a Greek word 'Koinonia' which means 'that which is in common. Other translations might include 'union' or 'partnership'. Koinonia is based on fellowship with Jesus. Through him, Christians share the relationship that Jesus has with God. In John 17, Jesus prays that all his followers may be 'perfectly one' as he and the Father are one. Through him, Christians become sons and daughters of God and therefore brothers and sisters of each other. They are all members of the same family. We think of our school community as a family. We spend lots of time together; we have fun; we play games; we share experiences; just like a real family does.

We are using the parable of the Lost Sheep to explore this.



How do you think it would feel to be the one sheep?

How do you think you would feel to be found and joining your community again?

Why is being part of a community good?

How would you feel if you weren't part of a community?



All SAINTS CHURCH RIPLEY - NEWSLETTER

In this week's newsletter from The Revd. Paul Harford:

- Services this week
- Social and small Groups this week
- Reflection on the Scriptures
- Harvest still to come
- Open day at Admiral Long School

Services this week - all welcome!

- Friday 29th, 7.30pm, Harvest Festival Service at St. John's, Bishop Thornton
- Saturday 30th September, 2pm, Wedding of Christine and Alan (please do hold them in your prayers) at St. John's, Bishop Thornton
 - Sunday 1st October
- 9.30am Rejoice and be Glad! at St. John's, Bishop Thornton
- 10.45am Intergenerational Communion and baptism at All Saints', Ripley (please do spare a prayer for Lucia and Harrison this weekend)
- 4pm Harvest Festival Communion at St. Wilfrid's, South Stainley
- Monday 2nd, 9am Morning Prayer at St. John's, Bishop Thornton
- Wednesday 4th, 10am Communion at All Saints', Ripley
- Thursday 5th, 9.30am, Celtic Communion, St. Andrew's, Burnt Yates.
- Friday 6th, 7.30pm, Harvest Festival Service at St. Michael's, Markington

Social and Small Groups this week - all welcome

Saturday 30th, 9am online Morning Prayer and Discussion - direct link here

- Sunday 1st October, 8am Celtic Prayer and Discussion at St. Michael's, Markington
- Monday 2nd, 7.00pm, Home Group at High Mistels, Valley View, Burnt Yates
- Tuesday 3rd, 7.00pm, Bible Study Group at Ash Lea, Colber Lane, Bishop Thornton
- Thursday 5th, 6.30pm, Choir Practice at All Saints', Ripley

Reflection on the Scriptures

This week's readings are Exodus 17.1-7 and Matt 21.23-32. The Exodus reading feels a bit like a repeat of last week, just with water at stake instead of food. One thing to notice, though, is Moses' question to the people, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' It resonates, I feel, with Jesus' question in the gospel reading to the religious leaders, 'Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' Both set up the same dichotomy between authority and oversight on earth vs. that of heaven.

It seems to me that the question of authority was central to how the Israelites lived in the wilderness: did they believe God was the one who had it, and could they trust in it are the questions that follow them. It was also central to the lives of those whom Jesus encountered in his ministry - to the religious leaders the question was whether the could overcome their sense of self-importance and get out of their own way in order to encounter God; to the general population it was whether they would look to Him in place of the system that clearly wasn't working, and consistently shown up as hypocritical.

Perhaps, unsurprisingly, I think it's still a central question to us today - who, or what, exercises authority over our

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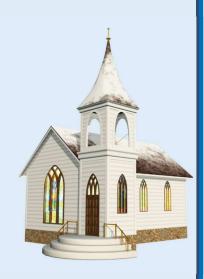
lives? What are the voices we listen to in shaping our thoughts and behaviours? Both from without, but also from within - do we get in our own way when it comes to approaching God, either by thinking ourselves too great to need him, or too low to be loved by him? Most of those voices have a tendency to lead us away from the God who loves us, strengthens, and sustains us.

The extraordinary thing, though, is that it doesn't have to be that way. What we discover through faith is that if we choose to get out of our own way, to lay aside our self of self importance and quieten the voices of arrogance and fear, we can hear a voice closer to both our own heart and God's - the voice of Jesus, Christ within us, speaking his words of truth and love into and through our lives. And his voice is one that carries authority - authority enough to call the universe into being, authority enough to call you into fulfilment - and he's telling you he loves you, even as you are, and that if you will walk with him, and follow him, he will lead you into the Kingdom of Heaven. As you walk that path in him, and he in you, you will become the person he knows you to be - glorious and beautiful not from your own merits, but because of the God who shines in you.

Harvest - still to come

Harvest services still to be enjoyed:

- Friday 29th, 7.30pm, Harvest Festival Service at St. John's,
 Bishop Thornton
- Sunday 1st October, 4pm, Harvest Festival Communion at St.
 Wilfrid's, South Stainley
- Friday 6th, 7.30pm, Harvest Festival Service at St. Michael's, Markington
- Sunday 8th October, 9.30am Harvest Breakfast Fellowship at St.
 Andrew's, Burnt Yates
- Sunday 8th October, 10.45am Harvest Festival at All Saints', Ripley, followed by a bring'n'share lunch.



God Bless

The Revd. Paul Harford

House Point Tally







Friends of Ripley School



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Our amazing FORS have organised some wonderful fundraising activities this term which we are immensely grateful for. Below is a list of dates for your dairy.

MONDAY 9th OCTOBER 2023 - Deadline for Christmas card/merch orders

On Wednesday 4th October, we will be sending home your child's Christmas design that has an order form to complete at the top of the page. Please note that these are the original designs that will then be sent off to print, so please keep them safe and clean before returning them. All orders must be returned to school no later that **Monday 9th October** in order to make the print deadline. Payment must be made in order for artwork to be sent off. Please return the artwork and either the correct cash, or a cheque made out to **The Friends of Ripley Endowed School** before the deadline of the 9th.



20th OCTOBER - PAINTING POTS

A fantastic night for you to unleash your creative side, have fun with friends and enjoy a glass of fizz. This is a grown ups only event. Tickets will be available to purchase on ParentMail from Tuesday 3rd October.



23rd OCTOBER - PUMPKIN COMPETITION

Children are invited to enter this year's pumpkin competition for an entry fee of £1. Pumpkins can be carved or decorated, with the initials of your child on the base of the pumpkin. Winner and runner up from KS1 and KS2 will receive a prize.



27th OCTOBER - SPOOKY DISCO

Wear your spookiest outfit for a ghoulishly fun night with friends at the disco

Tickets will be available to purchase on ParentMail from Tuesday 3rd October.



FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS DORR DECOTATING CRAFTING NIGHT

Why not kick off the festive season making a beautiful door decoration whilst enjoying a glass of fizz and a mince pie with friends.

This is a ticketed event and has limited places. You can book your place via ParentMail from Thursday 5th October.



WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS MONTH

Stockeld Park - Class 1 and 2

The children had a fantastic day at Stockeld Park and represented the school brilliantly. We started the day by going on an Enchanted Forest story creation walk. The children followed an amazing storyteller through the magic enchanted forest and used it's unique models, characters and story themed areas to help the children understand the process of storytelling, all the while developing their own story as we went around. We then stopped for some well needed lunch and after this the children then had the opportunity to explore the amazing playhive which has four themed area's: space, air, jungle and sea. We then finished the day with a fantastic Traditional Tales workshop where the children explored different imagination boxes that were filled with different props for the children to create their own traditional tale. It truly was a magical day!



















WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS MONTH

Crazy Hair Day

A huge thank you to everyone who came to school on Friday with their crazy rockstar/number themed hair for the launch of TTRock Stars and Numbots, our much used and loved Maths apps. Let the battle of the bands commence!









Class 1

What an amazing start to the year! Class one has had such a wonderful attitude towards their learning. In English we have retold the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Year ones have been discovering how they are making history. Whilst Reception have been exploring the topic 'Marvellous me' allowing them to talk about their families, themselves and getting used to new routines. All of class one have enjoyed exploring all learning areas inside and out.

Class 2

Class 2 have had a great start to the year. We have got straight into our curriculum and the children are settling into new routines well. We are focusing on traditional tales in English to begin with and this ties

into our story telling trip to Stockeld Park. We are very much looking forward to our sporting competitions coming up as well as getting stuck into Forest School this half term. In History, we are learning about the Stone Age to the Iron Age - exploring how they lived as well as learning about Skara Brae.





Class 3

Class 3 have had an excellent start to the year. The children have come back eager and ready to learn.

Their attitude has been excellent, real role models for our school. In Science, we have been investigating mixtures and separation. We thoroughly enjoyed making our own filters. In History, we are learning about World War 2, developing our knowledge of the Blitz and evacuees. In Art, we have created continuous line drawings and turned these into monoprints!







Safeguarding - Online Safety

Deciding what's appropriate for children to see online

The online world gives us access to a huge amount of information and services, but the scale of information available also means that there is content that is inappropriate for children. What is or isn't appropriate is up to individual parents and carers to decide, and could be based on things like age, ability, beliefs and family values.

What are parental controls?

Parental controls allow you to block and filter upsetting or inappropriate content. They work across your Wi-Fi, phone network, individual apps and devices.

Parental controls can help you to:

- plan what time of day your child can go online and how long for
- · create content filters to block apps that may have inappropriate content
- manage the content different family members can see.

More information for parents regarding online safety can be found at:

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/



Need advice about online safety?

If you're stuck, not sure what to do, or if you're worried about your child, you can also contact our trained <u>helpline</u> <u>counsellors</u> on 0808 800 5000.

Childline also has lots of information about online and mobile safety that will help you and your child.





f /NationalOnlineSafety

A reminder that you can find lots of useful



parent information on our schools Facebook page as part of National Online Safety's 'Wake up Wednesday' campaign.

Each week National Online Safety cover different subjects that help protect our children from potential dangers they may encounter across many different devices and platforms, including, but not exclusive to, What's app, Facebook, Instagram, Tik Tok, X (formally know as Twitter), snapchat, mobiles, ipads, computers, search engines, and gaming platforms, to name a few.

Children are more exposed than ever to the online world, often having knowledge beyond our own, so we highly recommend all parents look at the links included on this page, to ensure all devices and platforms they may use are as secure as possible.



For specific internet provider filters visit:

https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-andresource/parental-controls-offered-by-yourhome-internet-provider

Safeguarding - NSPCC PANTS

As part of our PHSE curriculum we work with the NSPCC teaching guidelines to talk to your children about PANTS, a conversation that needs to continue at home so our children know what is acceptable, and that they can speak to a trusted adult at any time. For more information and parent toolkits visit -



Safeguarding - NSPCC PANTS

LEARN PANTOSAURUS' FIVE EASY RULES FOR STAYING SAFE



PRIVATES ARE PRIVATE

Your underwear covers up your private parts and no one should ask to see or touch them. Sometimes a doctor, nurse or family members might have to. But they should always explain why, and ask you if it's OK first. Remember, what's in your parits belongs only to you.



You always have the right to say no even to a family member or someone you love. You're in control of your body and the most important thing is how YOU feel. If you went to say No, it's your choice.

SPEAK UP, SOMEONE CAN HELP

It's always good to talk about stuff that makes you upset. If you're worried, go and tell a grown up you trust – like a family member, teacher or one of your friend's parents. They'll say well done for speaking out and help make everything QK. You can also call Childline on 0800 1111 and someone will always be there to listen.

A LWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU

No one should ever make you do things that make you feel embarrassed or uncomfortable. If someone asks to see or tries to touch you underneath your underwear say "NO" – and tell someone you trust and like to speak to.



ALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU

There are good secrets and bad secrets. If a secret makes you feel sad or womed, it's bad – and you should tell an adult you trust about it straight away.



Remember all of these rules and they'll help you stay safe, just like Pantosaurus



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Safeguarding

Mental Health and Wellbeing - Parents

It is essential that parents look after their own mental health and wellbeing in order to be able to effectively support their children. you may find the following links and apps useful.

Apps such as Headspace or Calm headspace





NHS Adult Mental Health - https://northyorkshireccg.nhs.uk/your-health-and-localservices/adult-mental-health/



Every Mind Matters: Tips and suggestions about good mental health from the NHS https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/

Healthwatch North Yorkshire - https://www.healthwatchnorthyorkshire.co.uk/advice healthwatch -and-information/2022-11-04/mental-health-and-wellbeing-support-adults



Harrogate Mind - https://mindinharrogate.org.uk/



Samaritans – confidential support in a crisis 24/7, calls cannot be traced and won't appear on your bill. CALL FREE 116 123.Mental Health and Wellbeing - Children



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Keeping Children Healthy

As we start a new school year, we enter into Autumn and the common illnesses that come with the time of year. For more information on steps you can take now and throughout the coming term to help protect your family from seasonal illnesses go to - https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2023/09/08/a-parents-guide-to-keeping-kids-healthy-thisschool-year/?utm_campaign=2625582_LA%20Weekly%20e-Redbag%20-%2029%20September%

If you are concerned about a child's welfare please contact: Miss Victoria Kirkman - Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Elouise Foster - Deputy Safeguarding Lead or Miss Hannah Lear - Deputy Safeguarding Lead Ripley 01423 770160, Kettlesing 01423 770576 or Beckwithshaw 01423 504642

Extra Curriculum



OCTOBER HALF TERM ACTIVITY CAMP



Ashville College 8:30^{am} - 4:00^{pm} Wrap around care available



www.sportinginfluence.com

Sporting Influence have delivered fun, safe and active Activity Camps in Harrogate since 2014. The Camps, run by qualified teachers and experienced coaches, bring together a variety of sports and activities to keep children engaged and active throughout the school holidays.

Sporting Influence teaches in over 35 schools in the Harrogate area during term time, including the Federation of Beckwithshaw, Kettlesing and Ripley Endowed Primary Schools. It means that when your children attend Camp for the first time there is a good chance they will know at least one of the faces as they pull up!

Scotton Scorchers JFC have spaces in our girls teams from Year 1 to year 6.

Please get in touch with Mike at mikeandjanec@googlemail.com if you would like to come along for a free session.

Mike Collier

Scotton Scorchers Girls Football Lead







