

**Ripley Church of England  
Infant School**

# NEWSLETTER

*Week Ending 19<sup>th</sup> October 2007*

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## **Happenings**

We all had a lovely time at the National Gallery on Monday. The children were impeccably behaved (as always) and were excellent ambassadors for our school. We are very proud of them. We are sorry we were so late back. We had arranged for the coach to pick us up early enough for us to be back at school around 2.30pm but unfortunately, it was stuck in traffic in London and we did not actually leave until 2.15pm.

Blue Class will be on the Ripley School float in the bonfire procession on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> so come along and see them if you can.

There is a display of our children's work on a bonfire theme in the window of the Chemist in Ripley.

Enjoy your half term holiday and we'll see you on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> October. Don't forget to bring PE kits!

## **Nag, Nag, Nag!**

If you are sending money into school for any purpose please put it in an envelope and write your child's name and the purpose of the payment on the front. Either put the envelope in your child's book bag or place it in the box outside the school office (or hand it to Mrs Lomax/Mrs Davis if they are in the office at the time). If change is needed it will be sent home at the end of the day. Thank you.

## **School Link**

If you wish to order books from the recent School Link catalogue please send your completed order and payment to the School Office by Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October. We need to have an order totalling £50 to get free delivery. If you wish to order on-line please quote our registration number which is 1139862.

## **Dates for your Diary**

### **October**

27<sup>th</sup> Ripley Bonfire

29<sup>th</sup> School reopens – don't forget PE kits

31<sup>st</sup> Parent/Teacher consultations

### **November**

4<sup>th</sup> Christmas market 2pm to 4pm in School Hall

8<sup>th</sup> Pied Piper Theatre visiting school

17<sup>th</sup> 5-a-side Football Tournament

### **December**

9<sup>th</sup> Christmas fair 2pm to 4pm in School Hall

12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Christmas Play performances

16<sup>th</sup> Carols by Candlelight at St Mary Magdalen

18<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch

19<sup>th</sup> Class Christmas Parties

20<sup>th</sup> Christingle Service 11am at St Mary Magdalen – everyone welcome

20<sup>th</sup> School closes at 1.30pm for Christmas

### **January**

4<sup>th</sup> INSET day

7<sup>th</sup> School opens for start of Spring Term

### **February**

15<sup>th</sup> School closes at 3pm for half term

25<sup>th</sup> School reopens

### **March**

21<sup>st</sup> Good Friday – school closed

24<sup>th</sup> Easter Monday – school closed

### **April**

4<sup>th</sup> School closes at 1.30pm for Spring Holiday

21<sup>st</sup> School re-opens

### **May**

5<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday – school closed

23<sup>rd</sup> School closes at 3pm for half term

### **June**

2<sup>nd</sup> School re-opens

### **July**

18<sup>th</sup> School closes at 1.30pm for Summer Holiday

## **Parent/Teacher Consultations**

Don't forget to sign up for your appointment to speak to your child's class teacher. Appointment sheets are in the yellow folder on the table outside the school office.

## Thank you!

Mrs Baker (Sophie's Grandma) has been weeding and tidying our borders. Thank you very much Mrs Baker!

## Safety First

Please do not bring bicycles into the playground. They should be left outside the gate by the side of the hall. Children riding bicycles (especially older siblings and relatives) when children are in the playground is dangerous. Thank you.

## Certificates of Achievement

**Hannah Mohammed** for being such a fantastic enthusiastic reader.

**Richard Banks** for getting ready for PE super quickly and making a fantastic effort to work as a team in PE.

**TJ Marke** for writing such a fantastic account about the National Gallery.

**Samuel Smitheman** for his super measuring skills in numeracy.

**Isla Jones** for fantastic travelling and balancing in PE.

**Zachariah Zubeidi** for his amazing drawing from memory of Van Gogh's sunflower painting which we saw at the National Gallery.

**Madeline Hart** for great control of her travelling and balancing in PE.

**Joseph O'Shea Wood** for his amazing, skilful and steady balances in our PE lesson with Mr Morrison this week.

**Jacob Boughen** for his wonderful, delicate salt-dough teddy.

**Sam Delaine** for sitting so quietly and sensibly on the coach when we went to the National Gallery.

**Brook Marsden** for making a wonderful teddy out of salt-dough without any help at all.

## PSA News

### Through School Campaign

There will be a Companies Open Day on 9<sup>th</sup> November from 10am in the School. If you know of any business that would be interested in supporting our campaign please let them know about the Open Day. The press will be attending the Open Day and the Talbot have very kindly offered to host lunch for those attending the meeting.

## Pre-School News

Please remember our session times are **8.45am to 12.15pm** and **12.30pm to 3pm**. We would be most grateful if you would arrive promptly at the start and end of your child's sessions so that Pre-School routines are not disrupted. Thank you.

### Please, please, please!

Please put payments for Pre-School fees, dinner money, morning/after school club, etc. into an envelope and write your child's name and the purpose of the payment on the front. Either hand it to a Pre-School Staff member or place it in the box outside the School Office. If you do not have the correct money for dinners your change will be sent home at the end of the day. **Please do not take loose money to the School Office.** Thank you.

### Pre-School Dates for your Diary

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