

**Ripley Church of England  
Infant School**

# NEWSLETTER

*Week Ending 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2007*

*Issue No. 240*

## **Happenings**

We hope you were at the Ripley Bonfire to see our float. Everyone looked wonderful in their pantomime costumes and we won first prize! Thank you to Jacky Prevost who organised the building and manning of the float and to everyone who helped with the massive amount of work that went in to make the float so wonderful.

On Thursday, the Fire Service came in to talk to Blue Class about fire safety.

Red Class collected their beads and had a treat today. They have been camping!

## **Certificates of Achievement**

**Maddie Skeldon** for taking her time to make such a lovely pattern of autumn colours through colour mixing.

**Georgia Thompson** for listening well and completing her work accurately on her own.

**Jonathan Efedje** for his neat mixing of primary colours to make secondary colour for his colour wheel.

**Ria Mohammed** for her amazing adjectives about fireworks.

**Laura Beeston** for her great writing as Guy Fawkes.

**Adam Cornelius** for his amazing coin work in numeracy.

**Isla Jones** for her super effort in coin work in numeracy.

**Lucas Ward** for his super adjectives about fireworks.

**Karine Wells** for her wonderful reading.

**Ella Lewis** for becoming so much more confident with her work and all the routines in Red class.

**William le Grange** for doing such careful, neat colouring.

**Jacob Boughen** for using his initiative when tidying up.

## **Happy Birthday**

**Rhys Durbridge** on 31<sup>st</sup> October

## **Dates for your Diary**

### **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

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### **June**

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

### **July**

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

## **Nag of the Week**

Please do not allow your children to damage our plants and trees. Swinging on tree branches does a lot of damage! Thank you.

## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Sam Burns and his family on the birth of Scarlet.

## PSA News

### Panto 2008 – Sleeping Beauty

#### Calling all thespians!

We will be casting for Sleeping Beauty on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm in the school. We need principle characters, characters that will have just a few lines and people to join the chorus. You do not need any experience of acting or singing whatsoever, just a lot of enthusiasm. It is always great fun so come along and see what it's all about! If you have any questions please contact Clare Goddard (Olivia, Blue class) Becks Holder (Charlotte, Yellow class) or Sabine Marke (Millie, Red class).

#### DIY

Nearer to the performance time (March 2008) we will need people who are good at DIY to join our team who are responsible for scenery and props etc. If you think you may be able to help please contact Clare Goddard either by email [clare.goddard@btinternet.com](mailto:clare.goddard@btinternet.com) or catch her in the playground.

## Pre-School News

We hope you all enjoyed half term and saw some of our lovely Catherine wheel pictures in Ripley Horse and Rider.

The children have been busy this week getting back into the routine and playing with sand, leaves and dinosaurs as part of our new topic - 'Changes'.

We would like to have some more tricycles for the children to play on so if you have one that is in good condition that you no longer want we would love to have it.

On Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> November we are holding a parents evening. Letters are coming home so please return the slips asap.

### Pre-School Dates for your Diary

#### November

16<sup>th</sup> Parents evening

#### December

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