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RIPLEY COURT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

The Court Circular

Ground Force triumph without Dimmock and Titchmarsh!

The Head's Lines

Many thanks to Claire Brown and her team for all the help planting out the gardens last Sunday week during the Ground Force initiative. We look forward to a stunning display later this summer, and also to some food interest from the herb gardens planted in the quad.



In all, about thirty parents turned up to help - even the chairman of the board made an appearance!

On Monday we will be holding a meeting for those interested in the ski trip - please check the bags for details.

As many of you have noticed, we have had a change of staff at the front desk. Sue Telfer has moved upstairs to become the Bursar's assistant, Liz Cope is now Head Receptionist and Judy Young has joined the front office team.

We are currently enjoying some excellent Spring weather. Could you please ensure that your children come to school with water bottles, suncream and appropriate school hats. Should we experience any sudden inclement weather please be assured that the school will contact you as soon as any match is cancelled.

In the interests of safety, children are not allowed to play in the nursery playground after school even if parents are present.

There are still places on FunFit on Monday afternoons (3—4pm Yrs 1&2, 4-5 pm Yrs 3—6), Tennis on Tuesdays and Fridays 1—1.40 pm Yrs 3—5 and football Wednesdays after school Years 5—7. Please see Mr Brunning or the front desk for further information.

And finally... these are reputedly real answers to questions on science tests.

When you smell an odorless gas, it is probably carbon monoxide.

Water is composed of two gins, oxygen and hydrogen. Oxygen is pure gin. Hydrogen is gin and water.

When you breathe, you inspire. When you do not breathe, you expire.

Three kinds of blood vessels are arteries, veins, and caterpillars.

Before giving a blood transfusion, find out if the blood is affirmative or negative.

The moon is a planet just like the Earth, only it is even deader.

The pistol of a flower is its only protection against insects.

A fossil is an extinct animal. The older it is, the more extinct it is.

For fainting: Rub the person's chest, or, if it's a lady, rub her arm above the hand, or put her head between the knees of the nearest medical doctor.

Rhubarb: a kind of celery gone bloodshot.

Headmaster's Commendations

Second badge has been presented to George Truman

First badges have been presented to Jake Thompson and Charlie Vaughan

Certificates have been presented to Jamie Baudry, Matthew Boothby, Tom Cupis, Olivia Goddard, Katie Lee-Brown, Scarlet Macdonald, Harry Main, Lara Martin, Alexandra Morley, James Hughes-Morgan, Max O'Hagan, Lawrence Oldham and Milly Young

Times Tables

Certificates have been presented to the following:

Level 4 Sophie Palmer

Level 3 Tom Crook, Lewys Marshall, Laurence Piper

Level 2 Mariné Coetzee, Joe El-Majdoubi, Esme Holmes, Tadd Seymour, Jamie Stapleton

Level 1 Olivia Goddard, George Harry, Georgina Jacobs

Sainsburys Vouchers—Please keep collecting them!

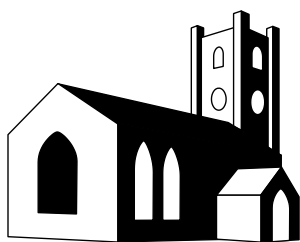
SUMMER FUN!!



13–24 July 2009 9.00 am to 3.30 pm

Reception to Year 8

**Watch out for the flyer or see
Mr Brunning for further details**



Flower Festival at St Mary's Church Ripley— 12, 13, 14 June

The church is running a competition for all children who either live or go to school in the parish as part of the festival:

A **MINIATURE GARDEN** on a plate on the theme of the hymn All Things Bright and Beautiful or anything in the hymn (a line or a verse or even a word).

The plate should be a “dinner” plate size (approx 10” - can be a little larger or smaller) and could be paper, foil or china. The garden can be in any material. Plates can be brought to the church on Thursday 11 June after school (last minute entries could be delivered on Friday 12 June from 9 a.m.). Each entry should be labelled with name, age and telephone number, address or school.

FIRST PRIZE: A MEAL FOR THE FAMILY at The TALBOT in Ripley

There will be other prizes but these haven't been agreed yet!

The plates will be displayed all around the Font steps and Mrs Edwards (5LF) is representing the school with an arrangement which will be situated nearby.