



A busy time ahead



Issue No 162 19 Nov 09

RIPLEY COURT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

The court Circular

The Head's Lines

Years 3 to 8 exams are over - hooray! Although we will be launching into our Christmas preparations for the Little Court Nativity and the Carol Services, we do anticipate that the school will continue to work as usual.



Many congratulations to those who ran in the annual Ripley Court X-country on Monday. The afternoon (for the first time ever!) was warmish and sunny. Well done to our U13 team for winning their team event!

I very much enjoyed the Xmas fair on Saturday - which was very well attended despite the awful conditions. I have yet to receive the final figures but I believe that nearly £3000 was raised - so well done to all those involved.

One or two points I would like to raise:

The Little Court Early Morning Club is for a quick drop off at 8 a.m. following which the doors of Little Court will be locked again until 8.20 a.m. If using the Club please take your child with their bag and coat to the appropriate classroom at 8 a.m. We regret this is not an opportunity to speak to teachers who are busy preparing for the day.

Scarves are quite dangerous for children, although we have not actually banned them. The regulation scarf is black and emerald green stripes (not a lime pashmina as one tried the other day).

No dogs, please! I haven't had to have one destroyed for over a decade, and I hope to extend that period indefinitely, but a dog that bites a child is automatically destroyed by the police, whatever the circumstances, and it really causes heartache, I can tell you!

A few events coming up in the next few weeks:

There is a school disco this Friday

night. There are posters around the place giving details. Please note that children at the junior disco cannot stay to the senior one, even if they have siblings!

Cycle training for nearly all of Year 5 will be taking place on Monday and Tuesday. Please remember your bikes! Bikes can be left securely at school overnight on Monday.

The Year 8 staff-parent conference starts at 6pm on Monday 30 November. Timetables will be distributed shortly.

The RCPA will be hosting a Cocktail Party on 4 December. This is a new event - so please free your diary. Information will be disseminated shortly.

And finally, we haven't had any daft ads for a while...

Lost: small apricot poodle. Reward. Neutered like one of the family.

A superb and inexpensive restaurant. Fine food expertly served by waitresses in appetizing forms.

Dinner Special -- Turkey £2.35; Chicken or Beef £2.25; Children £2.00.

For sale: an antique desk suitable for lady with thick legs and large drawers.

Four-poster bed, 101 years old. Perfect for antique lover.

Wanted: 50 girls for stripping machine operators in factory.

Wanted: Unmarried girls to pick fresh fruit and produce at night.

Mr Calas-Hathaway, father of Jacques in 2CC, is undertaking a charity parachute jump with the Red Devils in May to raise a minimum of £1000 in aid of Help for Heroes. All donations would be gratefully received. Details can be found on <https://www.bmycharity.com/V2/nedhelpforheroes>.

Headmaster's Commendations

First badges have been presented to Joe Chappelle, Mollie Kendrick and William Rawding

Certificates have been presented to Emilie Ballard, Jamie Baudry, Oliver Bradshaw, Isabelle Carey, Holly Denham, Ella Harvey, Katie Lee-Brown, Lara Martin, Rowan Miller, Jessica Morley, Niamh Parker, Isabelle Pelling, Eleanor Piper, Tom Portsmouth, Henry Roberts, Dominic Steffen and Milly Young

Times Tables

Certificates have been presented to the following:

Level 5 Ethan Barrow, Ewan Baudry, Tom Hanford, Alex Morley, Jamie Stapleton

Level 4 Anya Devon-Berry, Alice O'Hagan

Level 3 Tom Brunning

SPORTS NEWS AND REPORTS

Ripley score first

Football

Wednesday 11 November

3rd XI v Parkside 2—1

Thursday 12 November

U9A v Kingswood House 7—0

U9B 1—0

U9C 9—1

Friday 13 November

U8A v Kingswood House 2—1

U8B 0—0

U8A v Denmead 1—2

U8B 0—0

U8C v Denmead 0—1

Tuesday 17 November

U8A v Parkside 0—3

U8B 0—2

U8C 0—1

Cross Country

Monday 16 November

Senior Boys won. Ben Dickinson came 2nd

Netball Tournament

Wednesday 11 November

U11 v Barrow Hills 4—0

U11 v Rowan 3—0



NEW YEAR FUN!

DATES: 4—8 JANUARY

TIMES: 9.00—3.30

EARLY BIRD 8.00—9.00

All pupils, siblings & friends
from Year 1 upwards welcome

Further details from Mr Brunning

