



RIPLEY COURT SCHOOL

WEEKLY COMMUNICATION

8th – 14th September 2025

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES BEGIN

Monday	8	8:45am	Nursery Information Meeting for Parents in the Music Room <i>postponed to following week.</i>
		3:45pm	Year 2 Information Meeting for Parents in 2VR classroom
		4pm	Year 3 Information Meeting for Parents in the Music Room
Tuesday	9	3:45pm	Reception Information Meeting for Parents in RFB classroom
		4pm	Year 5 Information Meeting for Parents in the Music Room
Wednesday	10	2pm – 4pm	3FC Forest School Session <i>Pupils to bring wellingtons and waterproofs</i>
		2:15pm	Netball U10/11 A & B v Greenfield (Away)
		2:30 pm	Football U10/11 A, B, C & D Greenfield (TBC)
		3:45pm	Year 1 Information Meeting for Parents in 1HG classroom
		4pm	Year 4 Information Meeting for Parents in 4SC classroom
Thursday	11	2pm – 4pm	6KDC Forest School Session <i>Pupils to bring wellingtons and waterproofs</i>
		2:15pm	Netball U8/9 v Greenfield (Away)
		2:30pm	Football U8/9 Greenfield (TBC)
		4pm	Year 6 Information Meeting for Parents in the Gym
Friday	12		
Saturday	13		
Sunday	14		

Note: new or amended entries are in red

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to many of you and welcome to those who have joined our Ripley Court community. We are all very excited about the academic year ahead and all the amazing learning challenges and opportunities your children are going to explore as they grow and develop. I include myself in this as I look forward to my daughter having this exact experience as a new pupil in the Nursery. Being a fellow Ripley Court parent is something I am very proud of.

Even though this week has been two school days, we as a staff have been preparing for the start of term for some time. We also met, as a Senior Leadership Team, on Monday to look at our educational priorities for the year, and this term in particular. These were then discussed with the wider staff team at our inset meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday. On our inset days we also had the opportunity to get into our new STEM



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room and I think it is another fantastic educational space for learning. Currently my favourite part of the room is the Lego wall!

We started the new year with an assembly that focused on being brave. We looked at the important skill of acknowledging 'the butterflies' and then finding ways to face the challenge. We spoke about the necessary refocusing on a challenge being a positive experience as it teaches us and helps us to be better. These kinds of messages are given at whole school assemblies each week and we also meet again in the form of a celebration assembly or a House one.

Next week I look forward to seeing you at the various information meetings across the school. I do hope that you are able to attend and find them helpful. If you cannot make the meetings, please do not worry. The information will be sent afterwards too. Next week also sees the start of our full activity programme of clubs and I am sure that the children will love these.

I have already given out 5 commendations for excellent work, some done over the summer holidays and some for great work this week.

I hope to see many of you at the RCPTA Picnic this afternoon. Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you around our school.

Mr Gavin Ryan
Headmaster

SPECIAL NOTICES

Little Court Drop Off

As part of the settling in process we thought that we would set out our next steps with regards to drop off in the mornings. For Reception we encourage you to say goodbye to your child at the Reception classroom door. For Year 1 and 2 we encourage you to say goodbye to your child at the carpark gate and allow them to walk independently to their classroom. We, of course, appreciate that this is a process, but we do believe that being clear on these expectations helps children and parents alike. Should you wish to speak to us about this or anything related to your child please do get in touch.

WEEKLY SUMMARY 7th – 13th July 2025

Parent Information Meetings

We look forward to welcoming you all at our Parent Information Meetings next week (see above for the time and location of the meeting for your child's year group). A summary of the information discussed will be emailed to parents following the meeting to assist those who are unable to attend. Children are welcome to attend with parents, alternatively, they can be booked into Après School using their online booking system.

Nursery parents, please note that the Nursery Parent Information Meeting has been moved to Monday 15th September at 8:45am. This is to allow all Nursery children to have had at least one session prior to the meeting.



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2025 -2026 TERM DATES

Half Term	End Autumn	Start Spring	Half Term	End Spring	Start Summer	Half Term	End Summer
20 – 31 Oct	Fri 12 Dec	Thu 8 Jan	16 - 20 Feb	Fri 20 Mar	Tue 14 Apr	25 - 29 May	Wed 8 Jul
