



RIPLEY COURT SCHOOL

WEEKLY COMMUNICATION

19th – 25th January 2026

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Monday	19	11:45am	Year 5 Launch Car Challenge at Reed's (5TZ)
		2:30pm - 3:15pm	U11 Gala v Greenfield (Home)
Tuesday	20	All day	Extended Art Club trip to The National Gallery
		7pm – 8:30pm	Parent Strategy Evening
Wednesday	21	9am – 11am	Open Morning
		2pm – 4pm	3LH Forest School session, pupils to bring waterproofs and wellingtons
		2pm	Rugby U10/11 A, E & F v Moon Hall (Home)
		2:30pm	Rugby U10/11 B, C & D v Duke of Kent (Home)
		2:30pm	Girls' Football U10/11 A, B & C v Claremont (Away)
Thursday	22	11am – 12pm	IMM Trip to Silvermere Care Home (5TZ)
		2:30pm	Girls' Football U8/9 A, B & C v Barfield (Home)
		2.15pm	Rugby U8/9 A, B & C v St Hilary's (Home)
Friday	23	All Day	Year 3 Roman Day – Dress as a Roman
		2:45pm - 3:55pm	5TZ Forest School session, pupils to bring waterproofs and wellingtons
Saturday	24		
Sunday	25		

Note: new or amended entries are *in red*

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

Dear Parents,

Last night we held our first (of two) Parent Strategy evenings, and I wanted to thank those that braved the weather and were able to attend. We enjoyed a really good discussion about our school. We spoke about all the things that are going well and all the many reasons parents choose Ripley Court. There were also some excellent suggestions for how we can be even better and I look forward to more of the same on Tuesday at our second session. Thank you in advance for your attendance.

This week some of our pupils had the opportunity to visit Silvermere Care Home to engage with the residents about a variety of topics. This is such a valuable experience for the residents as well as our pupils. Other year groups will get the chance in the future to engage in this important established community link.



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Sports matches began this week but unfortunately, due to the incessant rain at times, some of these did not take place. We look forward to having better weather next week.

I wish you a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you around our school.

Kind regards

Mr Gavin Ryan
Headmaster

SPECIAL NOTICES

Fidget Toys – a message from Mrs Moody

We've noticed a recent increase in a wide array of stunning fidget toys making their way into school. Despite their very good intentions, many of these have become more of a distraction than a help to learning.

To help us keep the classroom calm, focused, and free from unexpected spinning and popping, please could we ask that children do not bring fidget toys in from home.

Of course, we completely understand that some children concentrate better when their hands are busy. For those pupils, we're very happy to provide a simple, effective alternative: a small lump of Blu-Tack, which we find works very well. It's quiet, discreet, and much less likely to steal the spotlight.

Thank you, as always, for your support and understanding. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.

Kind regards, Pippa Moody (SENCO)

Parenting with Insight sessions

Please click [HERE](#) to see the letter sent out last term regarding the Parenting with Insight sessions being run at the beginning of February by Mrs Markou. These free and informative sessions will last approximately one hour and will include opportunities for you to ask questions regarding the topics covered. Please book your place by completing [this form](#).

Vision and Hearing Screening

If your child took part in the Vision and Hearing Screening yesterday morning, a letter containing the results of the tests will be sent home with them next week.

February Half Term – Multi Sports Holiday Camp

Mr Butcher and Mr Zaltsman will be running their Multi Sports Holiday Camp during February Half Term and are keen to find out which dates parents would require.

Please click [HERE](#) for more information.



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IMM Trip to Silvermere Care Home (5TZ) – Thursday 22nd January 2026

This term, Years 4 - 6 will be taking part in trips to Silvermere Care Home, in collaboration with IMM (Intergenerational Music Making). The children will be partaking in musical activities with care home residents, a wonderful way for both young and old to connect.

2025 - 2026 TERM DATES

Half Term	End Spring	Start Summer	Half Term	End Summer
16 - 20 Feb	Fri 20 Mar	Tue 14 Apr	25 - 29 May	Wed 8 Jul