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Ripley Infant School

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RIPLEY INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: Spring Term 2 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Although this term has been a relatively short one, 4 weeks and 4 days, we have certainly been keeping ourselves busy. We have had Book Week and Science Week and there has been so much learning crammed in to a short space of time. Everyone has been trying hard and we have seen some fantastic pieces of work from children across the school. Well done everyone!

Charity & PTA Fundraising – Comic Relief & Easter raffle

Thank you so much for all of your kind donations for Comic Relief. Our 'Wear something Red' day raised a fantastic amount with the final total reaching £121.34. It was lovely to see everyone taking part and raising money for such a worthy cause. Thank you to those who have bought tickets for the PTA Easter raffle. The proceeds of the raffle will go towards projects and activities in school. I hope the winner enjoys their tasty prize!

Supporting your child with Phonics and reading at home

In order to support you in helping your children with reading and phonics at home we have a specific page on our website which provides materials and videos.

It can be found at <u>https://www.ripley-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk/curriculum/reading-and-phonics</u>. Please make use of the resources as research shows that children who practice these skills at home make the most progress.

Parking around school

I have been asked by our school neighbours to remind you once again that, for everyone's safety, it is important that cars are not illegally parked on the pavements,











blocking driveways or pedestrian access, or on the zig-zag markings outside of school.

As the weather improves it would be good to see even more children walking, scooting or cycling to school. It's a great way to boost your health and fitness.

Other News

- Year 1 enjoyed their visit to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park and Year 2 had the Opportunity to visit different places of worship during their visit to Derby Open Centre.
- Our Dance after school club with Mrs Start has been very successful this term. Sessions for our new Girls Football after school club has been offered to girls in all year groups (places are limited to 10 per year group). The club will begin on Wednesday 17th April 3.15-4.15pm. Wake & Shake will continue in the summer term beginning on Wednesday 24th April. Places are still available so please contact the school office if you would like your child to attend.
- Nine of our children from across the year groups had the chance to attend a Physical Literacy activity morning at Ripley Leisure Centre run by Amber Valley School Sports Partnership. They really enjoyed the session and were a credit to the school.
- Year 1 Phonic Screening This will take place from Monday 10th June and your child will be assessed at some point during that week. More information about the screening check will follow shortly.
- We have one INSET day remaining for this academic year. This will be on 28th June. INSET day dates for next academic year are available on our website.
- Lons Infant School are holding a 'Pre-Loved Sale in the school hall on Saturday 13th April between 10am and 12pm. Everyone welcome.

Can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continuing support and I hope that you enjoy a restful Easter break. See you all back at 8.45am on Monday 15th April!

Many Thanks



Mrs P Doleman Headteacher









