



# Ripponden J&I News

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear parents/carers,

Wow! Another couple of very busy weeks in school! This is another lengthy newsletter, showcasing lots of amazing things that we have been up to.

Final total for the Guide Dogs Fundraiser was an incredible £576.46 – thank you so much. It is also Comic Relief today and again, your generosity has shone through, we have raised £173.85 for this worthy charity. We have also just received our cheque from the Bags to School campaign and the PTFA have got £100!

All in all, what a fantastic couple of weeks!

We break up next Friday for Easter, where we have two weeks off. Please remember that there will be no clubs on (apart from Busy Bees) next week, as we always break a week before and a week after full terms. Clubs will resume on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

If I don't see you before, have a fantastic Easter holiday and I look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April!

Kindest regards,

Headteacher

## Parent Support and Share Meetings at Ripponden J&I School Summer Term

**Come along to our support and share group! Whether you have a child with additional needs, need some advice, or just want to talk to us, please come to see us!**

The support and share groups are for parents to come, sit with us and chat with other parents, staff and governors to get whatever you need to out of this time; whether this is external support, advice, training or just reassurance.

Come and chat to us and know you are NEVER alone ☺

Refreshments provided! Who can say no to a biscuit and a brew?

**Please note: You must let the office know beforehand if you are planning on attending any of the sessions.**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April - 8:40-9:30am**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 4:30-5:30pm**

**In the Woodland Room, located by Year 2.**



Connect with other parents and share experiences

Get advice and support from specialists

Stones Methodist Church

# Family Easter Eggstravaganza



Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024

10.00 am - 12.00 pm

Crafts Games

- † Cost: £4.00 per child - includes activities, chocolate egg, snack and drink for children plus tea/coffee for accompanying adults
- † All children to be accompanied by a responsible adult
- † Suitable for primary age children
- † Book your place by scanning the QR code or visiting: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/null/t-xmjjeozm>

Easter Eggs Stories

SMC  
Stones Methodist Church  
Living Stones

Stones Methodist Church  
Rochdale Road, Ripponden, HX6 4LB



### Travel Tracker Winners

Well done to Daniella, Patrick and Clea who are our competition winners for the Travel Tracker Badge competition. The entries have now been submitted to the national competition, so fingers crossed for a winner!

### Poetry Finalists

To coincide with World Book Day, some classes joined in with a local poetry writing competition. We have some shortlisted finalists, who have been sent off for judging. Well done to Grace, Ivan and Daniella in Willows and Leo, Patrick, Jessica and Rori in Maples. I will let you know if we have any winners!

### Primary Panathlon

On Tuesday morning some of our children from Y5, Y6 and Y3 went to a Panathlon (charitable organisation for disabled children and young people). We have attended this event for the last few years. This involved a variety of activities in which the children took part. It was accessible to all.

The organisers/fundraisers wanted the children to give their opinions on the event. Our children were very positive and said how much they enjoyed the teamwork and how it didn't matter what age they were. Out of all the 10 teams our children came 6<sup>th</sup> place, which made us all very proud. As well as behaving impeccably, they were at ease with all the young sports leaders that helped. The amazing Jasmine was the overall highest scorer in the bean bag throwing game!

Well done to all who took part.



**Willows are electricians!**

Willows are having a great time exploring circuits in science this morning!



**25-mile Medal Winners**

Well done to this big group of Maples children who have achieved their 25 miles around our track. Fantastic!



**Police Visit Little Acorns**

Little Acorns were visited by 2 police officers this week as part of their "People Who Help Us" topic. They had great fun trying on uniforms and using the handcuffs!



## World Book Day

We had great fun during World Book Day! Have a look at some of our activities and us sharing our books!





### **Saplings are good neighbours**

Saplings have been learning about how to be a good neighbour in PSHE. We have been discussing what things we can do to be helpful and kind to others. We have been looking at some different puzzles in groups and learning how to work together as a team, share and take turns.



**Chestnuts Reward**  
Chestnuts had the big equipment out in the hall for their Spring 1 class reward. Some of the activities are quite high up so they were very sensible but still had lots of fun.



### Willows are future architects!

Willows enjoyed completing their Pavilion Structures for their DT Projects. I think we might have future architects at Ripponden! Great job Willows.



### *Diary Dates*

***Lots of dates will be added regularly – keep an eye on the diary dates section! We will add more detail in the coming weeks.***

#### **March**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>      Maples School Visit to Temple Newsham  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>      School Closes for Easter  
W/C 25<sup>th</sup>      Busy Bees open Monday-Thursday – book on the app

#### **April**

W/C 1<sup>st</sup>      Busy Bees open Tuesday-Friday – book on the app  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup>      School reopens for the summer term  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup>      Clubs restart  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>      Parent Support and Share Meeting 8.40-9.30am  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup>      R/KS1 Celebration Assembly 2.45pm  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup>      KS2 Celebration Assembly 2.45pm

#### **May**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>      R/KS1 Celebration Assembly 2.45pm  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup>      May Day Bank Holiday – school closed  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup>      KS2 Celebration Assembly 2.45pm  
W/C 13<sup>th</sup>      Year 6 SATs week  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup>      Parent Support and Share Meeting 4.30-5.30pm  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>      Dance competition at Brooksbank  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup>      R/KS1 Celebration Assembly 2.45pm  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>      Gym competition  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>      First Aid Training for Year 6  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>      Musical Soiree  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup>      KS2 Celebration Assembly 2.45pm  
School Closes for Spring Bank

	<b>January</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>March</b>
1			KS2 Celebration 2.45pm
2		R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm	
3			
4			
5			Parents Evening
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7		Young Voices	World Book Day Parents Evening
8	School reopens		R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm
9		KS2 Celebration 2.45pm School Closes for Half term	
10			
11			
12		Busy Bees Open all week	
13			
14			
15	Clubs restart		Clubs finish for Easter KS2 Celebration 2.45pm
16			
17	EYFS Maths Information Session		
18			
19	R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm	<b>TRAINING DAY</b>	
20		School reopens	
21			
22			School Closes for Easter
23		R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm	
24			
25			
26	KS2 Celebration 2.45pm		
27			
28			
29			
30	EYFS Maths Open Session		
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	April	May	June	July
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3		R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm	School reopens	
4				
5				Clubs finish for summer Transition Day
6		<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>		
7			Class Photos R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm	
8	School reopens			
9				
10		KS2 Celebration 2.45pm	Y6 Residential all week	
11				
12				Reports Out
13		Y6 SATs Week		
14			KS2 Celebration 2.45pm	
15	Clubs restart			
16				
17		R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm		Year 6 Production 2PM & 6PM
18				
19	R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm			School closes for summer
20				
21			R/KS1 Celebration 2.45pm	
22				<b>TRAINING DAY</b>
23				
24		KS2 Celebration 2.45pm School Closes for half term	Sports Week	
25			Sports Day	
26	KS2 Celebration 2.45pm			
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28			KS2 Celebration 2.45pm	
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