

# The Friends of Ripley St. Thomas

## Newsletter

December 2017

**Many thanks** to everyone who supported our High Street Clothing sale in November and the Manchester Shopping trip earlier this month. A good time was had by all at both events and it was a pleasure to organise them for you. If you have not been to either of these events before why not consider it for next year? The date for the shopping trip for 2018 will be Saturday 1st December—pencil it into to your dairy!

### Auction of Promises

Next March we are having an Auction of Promises, it must be 8 years since the last one. We would love some spectacular things to auction so get your thinking caps on—more information in January.

### Chas Jacob's Print of Ripley School

Christmas is on its way and if you want a present that is just a bit different, The Friends are still selling the Chas Jacob print of Ripley School. These prints are an on-going project and are excellent value at £39.50 each. You can view it on the school website. If you would like to purchase a picture please fill in the slip below and return it to The Friends' box next to the re-valve machine in the dining room and we will get back to you. Please make cheques payable to The Friends of Ripley St Thomas. These prints (framed) are being sold at a certain shop in town for £125 so buy from us and have it framed yourself.

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Name ..... Parent of ..... Form .....

We wish to purchase ..... Chas Jacob print(s) at £39.50 each.

Contact Telephone No:

The next Friends' event will be the Carol Service held in the Chapel on Tuesday 19 December at 7pm. There was a huge demand for tickets last year and some of you unfortunately missed out. Tickets are free and are now available from the Lodge Reception and Sixth Form Reception so collect early! Once again this year, as well as our usual refreshments, we will be serving mulled wine. We will have a gratuity plate to help cover the cost of the refreshments. Come along and enjoy, we would love to see you.

### **Forthcoming Events (All meetings in MA8 at 7.00pm)**

CAROL SERVICE : Tuesday 19 December in the Chapel 7pm  
FRIENDS' MEETING : Wednesday 17 January  
FRIENDS' MEETING : Wednesday 21 February

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The answers to the last quiz are as follows:

Pain in the Neck

Potatoes

Man in the Moon

World Wide

Ball Point Pen

All Hands on Deck

We had 6 entries with 4 who got 5 correct answers. The 2 winners were:

Boaz Hughes 7Hall

John Gallagher 8Barnes

Congratulations to both of you.

There is an easy way for you to help The Friends. Do you shop online? If so, log on to [www.thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk), register with them and every time you shop online they will give The Friends a cash donation, no strings attached. There are many top name stores including : Currys, Wallis, Next, Asda, John Lewis, Amazon, Apple, PC World even e-bay!

Thank you to those of you who have already registered. Every penny counts.

**THE FRIENDS WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE  
A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR**

