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Welcome

Mrs C. Walmsley, **Principal**

Mrs R. Burr, **Progress Leader Year 7**

Mrs K. Benter, **Vice Principal**

Dr P. Allcock, **Head of Academic Music**



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We share the unique vision of Thomas and Julia Ripley, and celebrate their legacy by continuing their work of providing care and education for all.



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Service and support since 1864

- The Ripley Hospital
- Convalescence centre
- Teacher training
- The Boys' National School
- Merger of Ripley Boys' and St Thomas's Girls' schools
- The development of the present day site

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the
RIPLEY
family



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“Literacy is the road to human progress and the means through which every man, woman and child can realise his or her full potential”

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Kofi Anan

A photograph of four school children walking on a paved path in front of a large, historic stone building with Gothic architectural features, including pointed arches and windows. The children are wearing blue blazers, white shirts, and grey skirts or trousers. The scene is surrounded by lush greenery, including a wooden fence and various plants.

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Mrs R. Burr

Progress Leader, Year 7

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Transition days: outline

Day starts at
8.40am

Day ends at
3.05pm

- Two transition days to allow classes of c. 28.
- Begins and finishes in the Chapel.

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Transition days: timetable

- Pupils should wear primary school uniform.
- All pupils will follow a normal timetable covering a range of subjects.
- Pens and pencils will be needed.
- Lunch will be served early, £2.75 will cover the cost of a meal deal which includes a main meal, cake and a drink. Correct change is essential.
- Pupils will also need trainers for a P.E. Lesson.



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Transition days: outline

- If your child has a brother, sister or friend who catches the school bus they will be allowed to travel with them, as long as they pay.
- I will dismiss all pupils at the end of the day from the Chapel. If you are collecting your child by car please be aware you will not be able to park at school, or in the immediate vicinity.



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Transition day 1:

Wednesday 29th June

- Bowerham
- Castle View
- Christ Church
- Lancaster
- Ellel St John's
- Great Wood
- Heysham St Peter's
- Lancaster Road
- Morecambe Bay
- Mossgate
- Sandylands
- Scotforth St Paul's
- Skerton St Luke's
- St Bernadette's
- St Joseph's
- St Mary's
- Morecambe
- St Patrick's Heysham

- The Cathedral
- Torrisholme
- Trumacar
- Westgate
- Silverdale
- Yealand

All other schools
Wednesday
6th July

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Transition days: views

*“Essential for both parent
& child. Puts both at ease.”*

*“Fantastic opportunity to set the
children’s mind at rest
over the summer, and see the
school in action.”*



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First day: Friday 2nd September

- Only Year 7 pupils are in school on that day.
- Meet in chapel at 08:40
- Pupils will be placed into mixed ability tutor groups.
- They will be taught in teaching groups which will be determined by their academic ability, with the exception of technology.
- Teaching groups will be reviewed regularly throughout the academic year.



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On the first day, all pupils will need...

Bus Pass
(if applicable)

Whiteboard
& Pens

Journal

Pens
& Pencils

£2.75
for lunch
or
a packed
lunch



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Pupils must:

- Do as they are asked by staff at all times.
- Not refuse a reasonable request.
- Arrive on time for lessons.
- Treat staff and other pupils with respect.
- Bring the correct equipment to lessons.
- Listen in silence when someone else is talking to the class.
- Do the work set to the best of their ability.

Staff at Ripley will:

- Seek to maintain and uphold high standards of behaviour in their classrooms, using the Academy Behaviour Policy when necessary.
- Treat pupils with respect and dignity.
- Seek to encourage and reward good behaviour wherever possible.
- Not ignore behaviour which falls short of what is expected at Ripley, whether during lessons or around the school site at any other times.

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We will work in partnership with you.



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Who to contact?

First point of contact:

Progress Tutor

Subject issue: Subject Teacher

Progress Leader, Mrs Burr

Assistant Principal, Mr Gillthorpe

Senior Assistant Principal, Mr Wilson

Vice Principal, Mr Goddard

Vice Principal, Mrs Benter



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Contact us

PARENTLINE

If you wish to provide information to school please complete the following form. We aim to respond within 5 working days during term time. Messages sent during holiday periods will be dealt with on return to school. For urgent enquiries please telephone school on 01524 64496 during office hours which are from 9am until 4pm. For all other enquiries use the general contact email address below.

Your Name	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Confirm Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Name of child	<input type="text"/>
Year	<input type="text"/>
Form tutor	<input type="text"/>
Message	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="button" value="Send Message"/>



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Address

**Ripley St Thomas
Church of England Academy**

Ashton Road
Lancaster
Lancashire
LA1 4RS

Other Methods

Telephone 01524 64496

Fax 01524 847069

Getting here

**Directions of how to find
Ripley St Thomas**

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Mrs K. Benter

Vice Principal

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Pastoral care

Pastoral

Vice Principal: Mrs K. Benter

Senior Assistant Principal: Mr P. Wilson

Assistant Principal: Mr J. Quarry

Progress Leader: Mrs R. Burr

Progress Leader: Mrs L. Slinger

Progress Tutor Team

SENDCo (Mrs L. Cooper) and Learning Support Team



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Pastoral care (cont'd)

Pastoral

School Chaplain: Michael

First Aid Room: Ms S. Atkinson

School Nursing Team

Wellbeing practitioner: Amber

School Counsellor: Liz

Yr 13 and Yr 11 Peer Mentors



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Transport

- Practise your journey. Have a back up plan!
- Bus information in journal
- Keep tickets safe. Have emergency cash.
- Phones charged and with data
- Ripley top-up grants – see website
- Behaviour expectations

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55a 503 847
501 55b

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Uniform

Compulsory Items

Boys' standard trousers
Girls' trousers
Girls' skirts
Blazers
Ties (clip-on)
PE kit

Optional Items

Summer shirts
Tank top
Sports leggings
Hoodies (only for sport)



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Technology

Phones / Fitbit / Apple Watches

Responsibility

Policy

Sleep

Social Media / Relationships

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Dr P. Allcock

Head of Academic Music

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Music at Ripley St Thomas

What is available?

- Individual instrumental or vocal tuition
- Ten twenty-five minute lessons per term
- Team of specialist musicians
- A favourable rate compared with private lessons
- Rotating timetable to minimise disruption
- Wide-ranging ensemble provision

What are the benefits?

Will we need to buy an instrument?

How do we apply?



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Mrs C. Walmsley

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Thank you

- For listening.
- For choosing to send your child to our school.
- For the difference your support will make to the lives of young people in this school.

Welcome to the Ripley family! It is a privilege to have you as a part of it.



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