

Newsletter 23: 29th March 2019 Edition

Uniform

I have noticed that there have been a few issues with the school uniform appearing recently. As such I thought I would send a reminder about what the School's Dress Code is. As our children's education is supported with teamwork between home and school, we ask that parents support the school's dress code and ensure that the children attend school dressed according to that code. Our job is to help prepare children for Secondary School. At Secondary School failure to wear the correct uniform results in detentions, isolation and can even result in temporary exclusions, so we need to ensure the correct habits and attitudes to uniform start early.

Uniform:

- Tops – Yellow polo shirt with school logo and burgundy sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo.
- Bottoms – Plain grey or black smart trousers (no denim) , shorts or skirts (skirts should be no higher than just above the knee) or thick, black, smart leggings (no logos).
- Shoes/Trainers – Plain grey or black, flat soles without visible logos.
- Dresses – If your child wishes to wear dresses these can be in either of the following styles; plain grey pinafore dress over the school yellow polo shirt or a yellow gingham dress.

P.E Kit:

- Bottoms – Black shorts & black or burgundy track suit bottoms (no logos)
- Tops – White t-shirt (plain or with school logo). A black sweatshirt (plain or with school logo— no other logos) for outside PE in colder weather.
- Footwear – A pair of PE pumps for indoor use and trainers for outdoor use.

Jewellery

We understand that children like to have their ears pierced but we request that only simple studs are worn in school. We would ask that they be removed for PE and swimming lessons. Given the healing time after ears are newly pierced I would recommend waiting until the start of the Summer Holidays before this is done to remove this issue of taking the earrings out for PE. Any other jewellery is not allowed, the only exception to this being medical alert ID jewellery.

Sandals

When we get into summer and enjoy the warmer weather (hopefully) I am happy for both boys and girls to wear sandals but for health and safety reasons, please ensure that they are sensible with a sturdy strap around the ankle and across the toes. Please do not send children in crocs, jelly shoes or sandals with a thong toe. If they are not wearing socks with their sandals they will need to have a pair in school for outdoor PE, as well as their trainers.



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Fantastic Football

On Thursday of last week, we played the latest game in our mini-league of football against Eckington Junior School. We thought that they played really well having shot after shot but our amazing keepers kept us in the game with great saves including a wonderful dive from Katie and a huge jump from Phoebe! Luckily, their keeper wasn't half as good and conceded three goals, two by Freddie and one by Oliver (Y5). Our defenders kept making blocks and tackles, Oliver (Y6) played particularly well in midfield, and Jayden was very unlucky to get injured in the dying seconds. Navarda played his first game, he played really well putting in great tackles and getting really stuck in. The final score was Eckington Juniors 0 — 3 Ridgway Primary, a great win and a great result. Well done to all of the team, here is hoping for another win next time. By Freddie and Oliver G (Year 5)

A Message from Ridgeway Tennis Club

We would like you to know about our upcoming Open Day. Pupils and families are welcome and may also be interested in the Tennis Coaching (from 5 years old upwards), which starts on April 8th. Non members are welcome at the coaching, both children and adults.

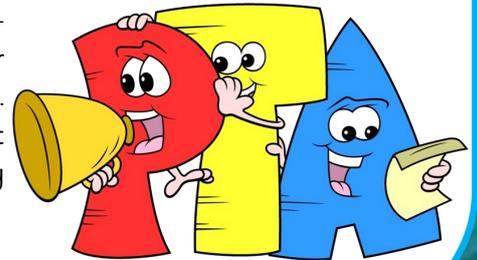
Tennis is a great way for families to be able to enjoy sport together and the three courts are a great facility to have in the heart of Ridgeway village. For more info we have a brand new Facebook page. Best regards. <https://www.facebook.com/ridgewaytennisclubpage/>



PTA Corner

The PTA would like to say a huge THANK YOU to Thea's dad Chris for giving up his own, very valuable, time to put the new shed up for us. We are currently in the process of filling it up allowing us to free up much needed space in the Achievement Room for the children to enjoy. We are so lucky to have such supportive parents. Thank you.

It is nearly time for the decorate an egg competition! This year it is for everybody to enjoy, Reception straight through to Year 6 and we are asking for each egg (hard boiled please) to be decorated according to your Class Topic. It will be £1 to enter (Our PTA Box will be on the wall for drop off that morning for your kind donations). The competition will be judged on the day and there will be a delicious prize for the winner in each class. Good Luck!



Attendance

This week's top attendance...

1st	The Sea Dragons	99.3%	
2nd	The Jellyfish	97.9%	
3rd	The Dolphins	97.7%	

Whole school 95.8%
0.3% **below** our target (96.1%)

Diary Dates

Wed. 27th Mar	Last Swimming Session of the Term for Y4
Mon. 1st Apr.	Year 5 drumming for parents 9.05am
Mon. 1st Apr.	Year 5 Mexican Fiesta Day
Mon 8th Apr.	Year 5 & 6 Trip—Cadbury's World
Fri. 5th Apr.	Qualitas Tag Rugby Event—TBC
Mon 8th Apr.	Year 5 & 6 trip to Cadbury's World
Thurs. 11th Apr.	End of Term 4
Fri. 12th Apr.	INSET Day 4—School closed to pupils
Mon. 29th Apr.	Start of Term 5