



# Ridgeway Weekly Update

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2019

## ☀ Summer Fair! ☀

Thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fair! We raised £638 from the fair and an additional £440 from the Book Fair. What a success!

### This Week:

- This week a member of the public dropping children off at school was hit by a car reversing over the pavement in front of our driveway gates. The police are involved and are dealing with this as a road traffic incident. Please, please do not reverse over pavements as you are putting our children at risk. I ask you to please consider parking away from school and walking a little further in the interests of keeping all of our school community safe.
- Our Reception children brought a lot of smiles when they visited Sunnyfield Extra Care Unit on Monday. Their singing and signing was wonderful and some of the residents were joining in too! Well done to everyone who took part, all our staff and parent/carers who helped, and a big thank you to Mrs Comasky, for putting together the show!
- Wimbledon Day was a huge success – made even more exciting by the appearance of seeing ex-Ridgeway pupil Jay Clarke on centre court at Wimbledon the previous week! Miss Williams and Mr Cascarina spotted a few children who were very talented tennis players too! If your child enjoyed learning how to play tennis, we do have some information about a local tennis club at the school office if you would like to know more.
- On Wednesday this week, the RSPCA visited Year 2 to talk about caring for pets and answer questions from the children. Unfortunately, it was too hot for the guinea pig to visit, but the children did learn a lot about how to take care of pets when it is very hot.

### Coming Up Next Week:

- On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July, Year 2 children have been invited to watch the dress rehearsal of the Year 6 end of year show at Gayton. We are very excited to see our Year 6 friends and siblings put on a brilliant performance!
- On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>, our Year 1 parents/carers are invited to watch an end of year singing celebration. You are very welcome to join us in the hall from 9.00am. Please wait by the school office to enter.
- Also on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>, is our Reception Learning Journey Celebration. Parents and Carers of children in 1, 2 and 3 are invited to join us for a 2pm start. Please enter via the main school office.
- On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>, Year 2 children will be visited by the author and illustrator of the book that won the Derby Picture Book Awards 2019, *The Girls* by Lauren Ace & Jenny Løvlie. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the children to meet an author and illustrator, find out more about their work and ask any questions.
- Year 1 children will visit Peak Wildlife Park on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July to walk with wallabies, wave at the Humboldt penguins, visit with lemurs and meet many more animal friends! The weather forecast seems to change daily so please keep your eye on it and send in a sunhat/waterproof coat, or whatever is most appropriate on the day!
- If you have any questions about your child's report, which has been sent home today, you will have the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July. Please note, this is **optional** and there is no obligation to make an appointment. However, if you would like to discuss the report, please speak with your child's class teacher directly.

### Upcoming Diary Dates:

Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 1 water fight - pm
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 2 Leaver's Concert to Ridgeway Children and Staff – am Reception water fight – pm Year 2 Leavers Disco 5.00-6.30pm
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 Year 2 Leaver's Concert to Parents/Carers 9.15am Year 2 water fight
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Picnic Lunch School Closes for Summer – reopens on Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept

# Writing Showcase

This week's fantastic writing is by Ishaq in Class 7. Ishaq has been working really hard this year on improving his pencil control and the neatness of his handwriting. He has put in 100% effort at school but also practised in his own time at home, with the support of his family. I was astounded by the improvements that Ishaq has made to his handwriting this year. When I asked Ishaq if I could publish his handwriting on the newsletter, Ishaq suggested that I also put a sample of his handwriting from the start of Year 2, as this would really show the difference he had made. I agreed with him and so, below, you can see the writing from the start to the end of Year 2. Well done Ishaq! You have proved what can be achieved with hard work and perseverance. Great job!

Sept 2018:

What did George put into his medicine? <sup>1</sup>

Brown paint.

shaving cream.

~~George~~ George put brown paint and shaving cream into his medicine.

July 2019:

Dear Mr Dawson,

My name is Ishaq. I am seven years old. My favourite lesson is maths because its fun. I need to get better at drawing and football.

My favourite friends are Shaygan and Ayyoona. I like playing games at home. I live with my mummy, dad, sister and brothers. I am excited to go to Gayton because I can make new friends and I can see my brother. My favourite colour is pink and blue. I used to have a pig but it died. I am not nervous at all.

From Ishaq