

Ridgeway Primary School



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What a Year!

I can't quite believe we are at the end of the school year already. The months have flown past. I have so many wonderful memories and I know we will continue to make more as the years progress.

I would just like to again say thank you to the parents for their support in all aspects of school life, thank you to the brilliant team of staff for their dedication and passion and thank you to the best children in the world. When you look back over the last academic year it is incredible how much we do and how much we have achieved.

Good Luck & Goodbye

Year 6 — You are an super group of children. It has been wonderful to watch you all grow and develop so that you are all ready for the next chapter of your life. I am so proud of all you have achieved this year and I know this is just the beginning. Go forward with confidence knowing you are all special individuals. Good luck and keep in touch.



Staff — Miss Brooks is leaving us today. Thank you for the work you have done over the last five years. We are sad and sorry to see you leave. However, we are so pleased for you and proud that you have followed and achieved your dream of becoming a teacher. Good luck at your new school and with your new class.

Also, after many (many) years at Ridgeway Mrs Taylor finished her last day on Wednesday. During a wonderful assembly, in which the children sang beautifully, we surprised her with an array of wonderful gifts from staff and you the parents. Mrs Taylor was overwhelmed by the love and thanks shown. Thank you all for helping us give her a lovely and well deserved send off. We wish you all the very best and safe travels. Thank you for all you have done for the children of Ridgeway. She would like to add...

Dear Parents, Just pinching a corner of the weekly newsletter to say a heart-felt thank you for the amazing gifts that were brought for me with your kind donations. I can't wait to set off with my easel & paints!! I have enjoyed a wonderful teaching career at Ridgeway with a fantastic work family. My colleagues will always mean a great deal to me and I have many happy memories. Teaching never stands still. There is always something new around the corner but children don't change. They are our constant and I feel privileged to have played a small part in helping so many children on their learning journey. This has been my joy and something I will always treasure. With much love to you all. Mrs Taylor.

The Netball World Cup

Yesterday, our netballers had the incredible opportunity to go to Liverpool to watch the Netball World Cup. "When got inside the ground it was full of energy and excited people. The Australia vs New Zealand match play really quick; the players moved really fast and the crowd were cheering. In the second game the African fans were dancing and singing with drums and flags. The day was fun, fast and exciting (but not on the coach!). By Izzy, Isabella and Tom (Year 4)



**Achieving our
potential
together.**

Aladdin Trouble

Monday saw Year 5 & 6 head to the Merlin Theatre to perform their end of year show, the pantomime, Aladdin Trouble. And they were brilliant. Yes there were a few technical glitches and a couple of minor delays and costume malfunctions but the way the children coped and rose above them with smiles and laughter was a delight to see and a testament to their resilience and their fun loving nature. It was brilliant to see such an enjoyable show at such an amazing venue. Thank you to the parents for providing such great enthusiasm as an audience, the staff for all of their hard work and, of course, to our wonderful and talented children.

Get Set for September

You should have received a letter this week about a new routine for the start of the school day that we are trailing in September. The detail are also available on the school website: <http://www.ridgewayprimary.com/pages/news/82659>

I just wanted to remind you all of the expectation about school uniform ready for a fresh start in September. As you will be heading out to buy new clothes for September I wanted to ensure that everyone was fully aware of our uniform policy. Your child's education is all about team work between home and school, as such we ask that parents support the school's dress code and ensure that the children attend school dressed according to that code.

- Tops – Yellow polo shirt with school logo and burgundy sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo.
- Bottoms – Plain grey or black trousers, shorts or skirts (skirts should be no higher than just above the knee) or thick, black, smart leggings (no logos).
- Shoes – Shoes / trainers need to be 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.

Attendance for the Spring Term

This YEAR's top attendance:

1st	The Jellyfish	96.9%	
2nd	The Dolphins	96.6%	
3rd	The Starfish	96.5%	

Whole school 96.3%
0.2% **above** our target (96.1%)

Diary Dates

Fri 19th Jul.	End of Term 6– End of the School Year
Mon 22nd Jul.	INSET Day 5 — School closed to pupils
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Tues 3rd Sept.	INSET Day 1 — School closed to pupils
Wed 4th Sept.	INSET Day 2 — School closed to pupils
Thurs 5th Sept.	School opens to pupils