

# Ridgeway Primary School



## Newsletter 1: 6th September 2019 Edition








### Welcome

Hello and welcome to the start of another exciting year of learning and fun at Ridgeway Primary. We want all of the children to feel part of their education, to have ownership of their journey and feel part of a team, so all of the classes have a unique identity. At the end of last year the children chose a theme for the classes; Endangered Animals. Each class will also have a motto / chant about what the expectations for that class are.

It has been wonderful to see everyone come back with such focus and so many big smiles. Our new Pandas (Reception class) have also made a wonderful start to their Ridgeway journey, well done to you all.

There is a lot already happening I am sure this is going to be a fantastic year.

### Classes & Topics

						
The Pandas Reception	The Giraffes Year 1	Team Tiger Year 2	The Elephants Year 3	The Leopards Year 4	Team Orang-utan Year 5	The Rhinos Year 6
Amazing Me!	Once Upon A Time		The Roman Empire Strikes Back!		The Americas	

### The School Office

You might have noticed that Mrs Potts has not been in school. Unfortunately, she is unwell and we wish her well and hope she gets well soon. But don't worry the office is in safe hands. Mr Evans has kindly agreed to stay on and continue to support the school, which we are all very grateful for. Mr Evans is now joined by our new member of staff Mrs Carnall, you might have seen her helping score at Sports Day. I would like to welcome her to our Ridgeway team. Both Mr Evans and Mrs Carnall will be happy to help and do their best to answer any queries.

### Eckington School Open Evening

Eckington School would like to invite you to their Open Evening on Tuesday 17th September 5.30-7.30pm, anyone is welcome to attend, especially Year 5 & 6.

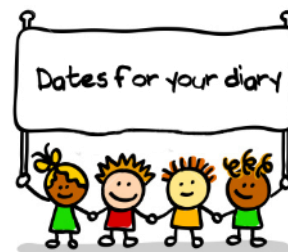
### Midday Supervisor

I would like to say a big thank you and good luck to Mrs Driver. After many years service she is saying goodbye to Ridgeway Primary School in a few weeks time. I would just like to say thank you for all you have done for the children of Ridgeway. That also means that we will be looking for new Midday Supervisors. If you are interested in supporting our children during lunch times, or know anyone who might be interested, please feel free to discuss the role with me or apply directly at [jobs.derbyshire.gov.uk](http://jobs.derbyshire.gov.uk) (just search for Ridgeway).



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together.**

## Autumn Term Diary Dates



✓	Tues. 3rd Sept.	INSET Day	School Closed to pupils
✓	Wed. 4th Sept.	INSET Day	School Closed to pupils
✓	Thurs. 5th Sept.	Term 1	Children start back
✓	Mon. 9th Sept.	Clubs start	See club letter for info & Parent Pay to sign up
✓	Thurs. 19th Sept.	3.30pm Phonics Meeting	Meeting for Reception Parents with childcare available
✓	Tues. 24th Sept.	Castle Trip	Years 1 & 2 will be visiting Conisbrough Castle
✓	Wed. 25th Sept.	School Swimming Starts	Year 5 will be swimming until February half term
✓	Thurs. 26th Sept.	YWP Trip	Year 6 will be visiting the Yorkshire Wildlife Park
✓	Mon. 30th Sept.	Twycross Zoo trip	Year 5 will be visiting Twycross Zoo
✓	Tues. 8th Oct.	Harvest Festival	Please send in a donation for the local Food Bank
✓	Tues. 8th Oct.	Reception Parent Meetings	Parent Consultations for Reception class
✓	Wed. 9th Oct.	Reception Parent Meetings	Parent Consultations for Reception class
✓	Fri. 25th Oct.	End of Term 1	Half Term Holiday
✓	Mon. 4th Nov.	Term 2	Children start back
✓	Thurs. 7th Nov.	Parent Consultation	Evening 1 for Years 1 – 6
✓	Mon. 11th Nov.	Remembrance Assembly	
✓	Tues. 12th Nov.	Parent Consultation	Evening 2 for Years 1 – 6
✓	Mon. 18th Nov.	School Photos	Individual and family photos
✓	Mon. 2nd Dec.	Christmas Crafternoon	Parents invited into School for the afternoon
✓	Wed 4th Dec.	Final School Swimming	This will be the last swimming session of the term
✓	Fri. 6th Dec.	All clubs finish	Clubs end for the Autumn Term
✓	Wed. 11th Dec.	Nativity Performances	Shows at 2.15pm & 4pm at the church
✓	Fri. 13th Dec.	Christmas Jumper Day	Pay £1 to wear your Christmas Jumper
✓	Fri. 13th Dec.	PTA Christmas Fair	3.30pm provisional date
✓	Tues. 17th Dec.	Year 6 Christingle	Service at Ridgeway Church 6pm
✓	Wed. 18th Dec.	Christmas Dinner	Dinner followed by Class Parties
✓	Thurs. 19th Dec.	End of Term 2	Christmas Holidays
✓	Fri. 20th Dec.	INSET Day	School Closed to pupils
✓	Mon. 6th Jan.	Term 2 - Spring Term	Children start back