

Ridgeway Primary School



Newsletter 4: 27th September 2019 Edition

Wildlife Adventure

On Thursday, Year 6 went on a class trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park. First, we went in and saw the meerkats. They were extremely loud and running around! Then we saw the baboons and they were very naughty and were pushing each other over and biting each other. Then we went to the tigers and they were eating and snoozing in the sunny enclosure! The lemurs were very cute and because it was an open space, one of them touched Asha! We next went to the rhinos (the namesake of our class). The rhino was facing away from us but we saw them grazing earlier. At the end, we went to an awesome slide park and some people even went on a vertical slide! We all had a great time seeing the animals and having fun with our friends.



By Olivia B and Lucas

A Super Evening of Sport

Thursday evening, which turned out to be lovely and sunny, we took our football and netball teams to play our first fixtures of the year against Eckington Camms. Here are the match reports...

On Thursday evening, we played a netball match against Eckington Camms. It was a very intense game but we all had a fun time! Although we did lose 4-2 to Camms, we don't think any of us felt like we lost at all. We played a fantastic game and we are all very proud of our selves even though it was all very fast and extremely crazy! By the end of the game, we all were as red as our shirts, we played very well considering some of us had never played a proper netball match before!

Isabel S and Katie Y6

Football: On Thursday 26th, Ridgeway took on their first opponents Eckington Camms. The line up a 2-1-2-1 formation. With Izzy from Y5 in goal, Dexter and Conrad were in defence (both from Y6). In defensive mid we had Oliver G from year 6. In attacking midfield we had Oliver SG from Y6 and Oscar from Y5 and finally Freddie from Y6 was up front. It was a topsy turvy game with 13 goals in the first half. It was 7-6 to them but when 'Super Sub' Brooke came on we turned it around with the full time score being 13-9 to us. The reason there was so many goals because there was full size nets and a small pitch so it was easy to score for a change. A great effort was made by all.

By Dexter and Brooke Y6

Conisborough Castle

On Tuesday Y1 and Y2 went on an exciting but wet trip to Conisborough Castle, as part of our topic Once Upon a Time. We felt a bit nervous but also excited too. When the coach got there, everyone shouted, "Conisborough Castle!"

Some of us got dressed up as people who lived in the castle, like a knight, a cook, a farmer, a steward and a lady's maid.

We went into the keep and saw some films on the walls showing us what the people did in the castle. We also went into the really stinky toilet which was just hole in a stone seat. Our favourite bits were when we looked around the bailey and the dungeons where people used to get locked in. It was a really good day and we learnt lots.



By William and Isla Y2



**Achieving our
potential
together.**

Residential Visits

As you will know we currently have two residential visits each year, Year 5 to White Hall and Year 6 to the Isle of Wight (IOW). The dates of both visits are:

White Hall—Wed. 22nd to Fri. 24th April 2020 & Isle of Wight—Mon. 8th to Fri. 12th June 2020

We are holding a Year 5 White Hall meeting for parents on Thursday 10th October at 3.45pm in school. This is a chance to hear all about White Hall; the type of activities, how bedrooms work, cost and payment schedule etc. And it give you a chance to ask any questions. I hope you will be able to join us. There will be a second meeting nearer the time to discuss time tables and kits lists.

An IOW meeting will happen a little later in the Autumn Term.

A few reminders...

PTA

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 2nd October at 7:00pm in school, preceded by an informal drinks/ getting to know you meeting at 6:15pm in The Queen's Head.

Flu Immunisation

Please register and give consent for your child to receive the Flu nasal spray as soon as possible. Please go to <https://www.derbyshireandcityjimms.co.uk/> and click on the Seasonal Flu icon to complete the consent form, the option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination.

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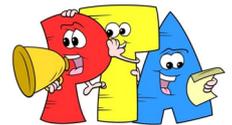
Update Forms

Years 1—6 should have received an envelope, over the last few weeks, containing the annual pupil update form, a copy of the home-school agreement and the parental permission form. Please can you complete and return these to school as soon as possible so we can ensure that our records are fully up to date.

Jewellery in School

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.

Any other jewellery is not allowed, the only exception to this being medical alert ID jewellery. This is for health and safety reasons. Thank you in advance.



Attendance

This week's top attendance...



Whole school 97.9%
1.8% **above** our target (96.1%)

Diary Dates

Mon 30th Sept.	Year 5 trip to Twycross Zoo
Tues 1st Oct.	Year 3 Benchball
Wed 2nd Oct.	PTA meeting 7pm
Tues 8th Oct.	Harvest Festival
Tues 8th Oct.	Reception Parent Meetings
Wed 9th Oct.	Reception Parent Meetings
Thurs 10th Oct.	White Hall Meeting Y5 3.45pm
Fri 25th Oct.	End of Term 1—Half Term Holiday