

# Ridgeway Primary School



## Newsletter 9: 8th November 2019 Edition

### Parents' Evening

As you are aware, due to the severity of the weather yesterday, I made the difficult decision to postpone Thursday night's Parents' Evening. I wanted to ensure all parents would be able to make the appointments and that parents and staff would all be able to get back home safely too, which with the worsening weather and travel was looking increasingly unlikely.

Thursday evening's appointments, therefore, need to be rescheduled. As such the new date is Thursday 21st November but your appointment time will remain the same. If there are any issues, please speak to the class teacher to rebook your slot.

### Children in Need

To support Children in Need this year we are going to have a bedtime story day on Friday 15th November. As such we would like the children to come to school ready for bed! Please wear PJs, dressing gowns or onesies. Please make sure children have proper shoes (trainers are fine) and coats. Please also consider the ability of going to the toilet. They can also bring a cuddly toy to school if they wish (but perhaps not their favourite bedtime time toy—as we wouldn't want any to get left behind over the weekend!).

We would like the children to bring in a bedtime story to share with other pupils. Each class is going to 'buddy up' and share their stories whilst drinking hot chocolate.

Obviously, as the day is for charity, we are asking for a donation of at least £1 for Children in Need. A bucket will be on the wall in the morning.



### School Closures

Judging by the current weather and forecasts it might not be too long until the white stuff will start to fall! As such, I thought I would explain how we would inform you of any closures. Any closure information will be sent out as early as possible by text, via the Facebook page and as a news item on the website.

This applies to any closure; snow, flooding, anything that would put members of our school community at risk. We will only close the school if it is felt that the safety of the children, parents, and staff is at risk if we remained open, whether that is with regards to the school site or the travelling to and from school.

### Community Minded

I would like to say congratulations and well done to Mrs. Allie Cook for her support of the Royal British Legion. She has been very busy making special crocheted poppies to sell for the Poppy Appeal. She raised an amazing £170. Thank you to everyone who supported her and bought a poppy too.



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### Aldi Stickers

A final thank you for all of the help and support you have given with the Aldi stickers. We have sent our chart in and will let you know when we receive the kit. We are also in the draw for the £20,000 so fingers crossed.

More than that though, we have made a real difference for Elton C of E Primary School. I felt very privileged to take 200 stickers to the little school of 15 pupils in Derbyshire. With our support they have completed their chart too, something they would never have been able to do without our help. It really is an example of our school values in action.

Mr Hunter, the Head Teacher of Elton, also asked me to pass on the thanks from the whole of the Elton School Community.

### A few reminders...

#### Flu Immunisation

If you have not yet registered, ready for **Wednesday 27th November**, and given consent for your child to receive the Flu nasal spray please do so as soon as possible. Go to <https://www.derbyshireandcityimms.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. Your unique school code for Ridgeway Primary School is DD112546

#### Year 5 Drumming Performance

On Monday (11th November) the parents, carers and grandparents of the Year 5 children are invited into school to watch this performance. The assembly will start at 9.05am and will last for about 20-minutes. We look forward to sharing the musical talents of the children with you.

#### PTA Ladies' Night

is Thursday 14th November at the Ridgeway Arms. Tickets available from one of our PTA Reps on the playground, or via the red PTA Box. Raffle tickets will also be available too. Ladies' Night Tickets are £5 and include a glass of Prosecco and raffle tickets are £1 per ticket.



#### Nativity Performance

December is suddenly feeling very close! That might bring a lot of stress and work for parents but it also means that the Nativity is coming soon too! More information about tickets (via ParentPay) will follow in the next few weeks but I just wanted to make sure you all had the dates in your diary. The performances will be:

- Tuesday 10th Dec. 4pm
- Wednesday 11th Dec. 2.30pm & 4pm

### Attendance

This week's top attendance...

1st	The Rhinos	98.2%	
2nd	The Giraffes	97.0%	
3rd	Team Tiger	96.7%	

Whole school 95.2%  
0.9% **below** our target (96.1%)



### Diary Dates

Fri. 8th Nov.	Sparkle & Glow Disco (PTA)
Mon 11th Nov.	Year 5 performance to parents
Tues. 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Parent Consultation Evening 2
Thurs. 14th Nov.	Ladies Night (PTA)
Mon. 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	School Photos Individual and family
Mon. 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	School's Catering Team visit
Thurs. 21st Nov.	Parents' Evening (Take 2)
Wed. 27th Nov.	Flu Vaccination
Mon. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec.	Christmas Crafternoon