

# RIDGEWAY INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

'Ridgeway Infant School is a safe, happy place where everyone does their best'



13TH OCTOBER 2017

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## ATTENDANCE

Summary of attendance for the whole of school from 10th September to 30th September 2017 as follows:

Class 1	94.45%	Our school target for the year is <b>over 95%</b> .
Class 2	95.78%	
Class 3	95.36%	The average attendance for the whole school since 10th September 2017 is <b>96.63 %</b>
Class 4	97.25%	
Class 5	97.77%	Class 8 has the highest attendance this year so far with <b>98.67% Well done!</b>
Class 6	95.53%	
Class 7	95.68%	
Class 8	98.67%	
Class 9	98.32%	

## MAKING PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL

A reminder about sending money in to school for swimming, trips etc. Please enclose cash/cheques (payable to Ridgeway Infant School) in a sealed envelope with your child's full name and class number. Payments can also be made online for swimming and trips. This is our preferred payment option.

## GOODBYE

At the end of this half term we will be saying goodbye to Miss Wallace. Miss Wallace has worked at Ridgeway as a valued Teaching Assistant and Learning Mentor for 12 years. We wish Miss Wallace happiness in everything she does in the future and thank her for her commitment to Ridgeway over the years.

## ACTIVE ANT

All for one and one for all!



This half term we are thinking about our school value 'TEAMWORK'.

## HEAD'S TEA

The children who will be invited to Head's Tea this week will be those children who have been caring for our things in school.



## PARENTS/CARERS EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

We are sending out paperwork this week with the emergency contact details we hold for your child. Please check the information, make any amendments and return to the School Office as soon as possible. It is essential that we hold accurate information in case we need to get hold of you in an emergency. Please can we ask that if any of your details change throughout the year you let a member of staff know in the School Office as soon as possible.

## OCTOBER HALFTERM

Please note that school will close for the October half term holiday on Friday 20th October at 3.25pm and re-opens for **ALL** on Monday 30th October at 8.45am. The last two INSET Days are **18th and 19th December**.

## FRIENDS OF RIDGEWAY

As you will already be aware, the Friends of Ridgeway have an exciting programme of events for this term. Look out for the Halloween Disco, Halloween Fancy Dress Competition and Children's Christmas Card Sale!

## DOGS

Please can we remind all dog owners (with the exception of guide dogs) that dogs must not be brought on to school premises **at any time**. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

## ROAD SAFETY

Over the past few years Ridgeway Infant, Gayton Junior and St. George Primary Schools have met with Derby City Council and the Neighbourhood Board to try to improve traffic management and safety during drop-off and collection times in order to help keep our families safe on the roads outside our schools. Two years ago we collectively managed to;

- Install pavement bollards placed around the junction of Uplands Avenue
- Relocate zig-zag markings outside school
- Position new signs to encourage all school traffic to travel in one direction
- Encourage parents to park 10 minutes away and walk into school with their children
- Improve pedestrian safety and raise awareness around the three schools
- Reduce the number of vehicles driving inappropriately around the three schools

However, we understand the ongoing issues for parents and carers of all three schools and urge all families and residents to directly pass on their concerns to the addresses below. **Parent voice is powerful!**

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