

Ridgeway Primary School

Newsletter 11: 24th November 2017 Edition



Kelham Island Museum

On Wednesday, Year 3 and Year 4 all went to Kelham Island Museum to learn more about World War 2. This term their topic is all about the Blitz, Evacuation and rationing so this was a chance to see artefacts and hear about the war.

“It was a fantastic day because it was a fun way to learn about the war. I liked seeing the big bomb because it was so tall! I was really surprised how big it was, people must have been very, very worried.” By Lucas.

“The most interesting part of the day was seeing the River Don Engine which was used for making parts of aeroplanes because it was a really big machine and it was really loud. It was a very good day and we learned a lot to help us with our topic work” by Martha.



Message from the PTA

It's now only one week to the 1st December and the Christmas Fayre! Christmas is well and truly on its way!

Please don't forget to place your orders for Santa tickets - return slips and monies can be posted in the post box in reception!

We are also still looking for donations for the class hampers which will make wonderful prizes for the raffle draw! They need to be handed into the class teacher.. Please also let School/PTA know if you can help to collect raffle prizes - all help is very much appreciated (even if it just helping with the tidying up afterwards!). Donations of wine for the water and wine stall are also appreciated!

Year 6 will have the opportunity to help out with the Christmas Fayre and you will be receiving a permission slip which you will need to complete and return by 29 November, to make sure your child doesn't miss out!

Members of the PTA will also be on the yard next week from Monday to Wednesday to collect Santa tickets, raffle stubs, donations, etc., and answer any questions.

Finally, as it's Black Friday today, if you want to make the most of the savings to be had AND help your school, please check out Easy Fundraising using this link:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ridgewayprimaryschoolpta/>

That's all for now and we look forward to seeing as many faces as possible at the Christmas Fayre!

The PTA x

Under Fives Christmas Fayre

Ridgeway Under Fives Christmas Fayre on Saturday 25 November 2017 11am-2pm at Ridgeway Sports & Social Centre. Lots of fun, food and refreshments, Christmas Crafts and a special early visit from Father Christmas. Please come along and support your local Preschool. Thank you.



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A Few Key Dates and Times

- All** Father Christmas tickets for the Christmas Fair are £3 each and must be purchased by Tuesday 28th November. The slip and money can be put into the box outside the office.
- Year 5** Wednesday 29th Nov. final swimming session. As this will be Water Safety Week, please bring either pyjamas or shorts and t-shirt to swim in as well as your normal kit. No onesies or denim.
- All** Thursday 30th Nov. Final day for returning school photo orders.
- Year 5** Friday 1st Dec. Deadline for White Hall permission form and £30 deposit. If you have any questions or concerns please come and talk to me.
- All** Friday 1st Dec. Final day for Northbrook Christmas orders (PTA)
- All** Friday 1st Dec. Christmas Fayre. You will be able to collect your children early at 3pm on that day. The Fair will open with the choir singing at 3.05pm and stalls opening at 3.15pm. It promises to be a wonderfully festive event so watch this space for details.
- KS1** Wednesday 6th Dec. First Nativity Show—please collect infant children from the church at 4.45pm
- KS1** Thursday 7th Dec. Second and Third Nativity Show—again please collect infant children from the church at 4.45pm
- All** Friday 15th Dec. Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Dinner Day and Class parties.



PTA Hamper Prizes

We would appreciate your donations for Hamper Prizes. These could include food, drinks, toiletries, etc. Please ask your child to hand them to their class teacher, who will have a collection box in the classroom—remember every donation counts towards the fantastic prizes!

Each school year has a Hamper colour: Reception: White, Year 1: Brown/Bronze, Year 2: Purple, Year 3: Red, Year 4: Silver, Year 5: Green, Year 6: Gold

Attendance

This week's top attendance..

1st	The Griffins (Y3)	98.9%	
2nd	Team Phoenix (Y4)	97.2%	
3rd	The Unicorns (Y1)	95.0%	

Whole school 94.6%
1.5% **below** our target (96.1%)

Diary Dates

Wed 29th Nov	Year 5 final swim—PJ session
Fri 1st Dec	Year 5 White Hall deposit deadline
Fri 1st Dec	PTA Northbrook order deadline
Fri 1st Dec	PTA Christmas Fayre
Wed 6th Dec	Infant Nativity Show 1
Thurs 7th Dec	Infant Nativity Shows 2 & 3
Wed 13th Dec	Flu immunization (Rec—Year 4)
Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day