

Ridgeway Primary School

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Sports Report

This week has been another busy sporting week at Ridgeway. The Year 2 & 4 children finished their current block of gymnastics coaching with a gymnastic specialist from Qualitas. They have had a brilliant experience learning new skills and have even tried cartwheels over benches and jumps off balance beams.



Year 1 headed to Eckington School on Thursday afternoon for an multi-skills festival. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning the ABC of sport (Agility Balance and Coordination). The children behaved beautifully and did you all proud. The Year 1 team would like to thank all of the parents who were able to give up their time to help with transport, so that the children could take part in this activity.

Thursday also saw a team of Year 6 children take part in a local Basketball tournament. There were teams from seven different schools. The team played a match against each of the six other teams; winning four and losing only two. This meant that in the final standings the team finished a superb second, which was a wonderful achievement. However, they weren't finished there. The team was also awarded the Spirit of the Games Award for showing good team-work, passion and sportsmanship.

Whilst on the subject of sport, can I just remind you that PE sports kit is; white t-shirt, black shorts / joggers and black sweatshirt. Thank you.

World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 1st March but not at Ridgeway! We are holding ours on **Friday 2nd March**. This is due to the fact Reception are at the Early Rider training on Thursday and the PTA are holding our Book Themed Disco. For the day we are encouraging the children to come to school dressed up as their favourite character from a book; anything from Greg Heffley (Diary of a Wimpy Kid) to Harry Potter, Fantastic Mr. Fox to Matilda or even The Boy In A Dress (if you are brave enough!). We would also ask for a £1 donation please, a box will be on the yard that morning.



WORLD BOOK DAY



*Achieving our
potential
together.*



Book Fair Reminder

During the Parents Evening sessions after half-term, we will be holding the Book Fair. This is a great opportunity for you to reward a positive report and of course the school get book credits with every purchase made. The Book Fair will be open during the hours of Parents Evening. A letter should have come home earlier this week to enable you to book your Parents Evening appointments.



Thank You

Thank you to all of the Year 2 parents who came to the SATs briefing on Thursday. I hope you found it useful and informative, and that you now have a better understanding about how the process is dealt with by school. Also, a huge thank you to Miss. Evans for all the efforts she made to provide you with the information and resource packs. If you would like to see the PowerPoint Presentation used, it is on the Year 2 class page of our website.

School Dinners

A few parents have raised concerns recently about children not having the choice of jacket potatoes if they are in the last sitting. I have contacted the kitchen that supply to meals to discuss the matter. They have promised to send extra jacket potatoes as a short-term measure and have told me they are currently reviewing the ordering system with changes hopefully coming in later this academic year.

Dinners are still £2 per day, which would be £10 per week. This would therefore be £40 for next half-term.

Have a lovely half-term and see you back on Monday 26th.

Attendance

This week's top attendance..

1st	The Griffins	99.3%	
2nd	Team Phoenix	97.9%	
3rd	The Unicorns	97.7%	

Whole school 96.7%
0.6% Above our target (96.1%)

Diary Dates

Fri 16th Feb	End of Term 3
Mon 26th Feb	Term 4—pupils start back
Thurs 1st Mar	Parents Evening & Book Fair
Fri 2nd Mar	Our World Book Day
Fri 2nd Mar	PTA Book Day Themed Disco
Tues 6th Mar	Parents Evening & Book Fair