



# Ridgeway News

SHARING THE DETAIL AND THE BIGGER PICTURE WITH OUR COMMUNITY



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Week 2

# Ridgeway Academy

## Headteacher's Message

Today is our first Extended learning day, where lessons are suspended and students undertake a wide range of enrichment opportunities which develop character, skills and widen experience.

Year 7 students are at Elstree Studios where they will step onto iconic sets like the Great Hall and Diagon Alley and discover how the special and visual effects



teams created filmmaking magic on screen. They will learn how magical creatures are brought to life on screen, e.g. the three life-size animatronic versions of Buckbeak the Hippogriff which were created for the Harry Potter film series: one standing, another rearing and a third lying down. When creating the models of Buckbeak, each feather had to be individually inserted and glued by the Creature Effects team who were busy adding feathers right up until the final moment Buckbeak was needed on set for Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban. The designers of Buckbeak took inspiration from real birds, specifically the Golden Eagle for the creature's profile. They also consulted with vets and physiologists when looking at the proportions of Buckbeak's legs and wings.

Year 9 and 10 have seen 'Breaking the Chain', an innovative applied theatre production that aims to raise awareness, kick-start conversations and build resilience around youth violence – with a focus on knife crime. Possession of a knife carries a prison sentence of up to 4 years and if caught with a knife, young people will be arrested and prosecuted. Year 9 are focused on Forensic Science and solving a crime at Ridgeway. Year 11 have a focus day emerged in Design and Food

Technology at the Science and Natural History museums.

On 20 December Ridgeway Academy is proud to be hosting a Charity Day to raise much needed funds for Isabel Hospice. This will also be an opportunity for students who have signed up for Camps International to raise funds for their volunteering expedition.

The day will incorporate a carousel of events. These events include an inflatable assault course, the Headteacher's Quiz, Ridgeways Got Talent and a Christmas Fete. Students have opportunity to dress up either in Fancy dress (theme FILM) at a cost of £1, or casual clothes (mufti) for £2 with profit to Isabel Hospice. Fancy dress will be judged in the morning by each Head of Year.

On Monday 16 December we celebrate Awards evening where A-level and GCSE students return to receive subject awards and certificates with mince pies, hot chocolate and mulled wine (over 18's).

Sarah Mitcherson  
**Headteacher**

## Ridgeway on Social Media

You can follow Ridgeway Academy on Twitter to get all the latest news, photos and information about the school!



**@Ridgeway\_AC**  
**@RidgewayLeaders**  
**@RidgewayPEDept**

Students, parents/carers and colleagues can all follow our Drama, Design & Technology and PE Departments on the following Instagram accounts:



**@ridgewayperformingarts**  
**@ridgewaytechnologydept**  
**@RidgewayPEDept**



**www.facebook.com/RidgewayPEDept**

## Lost Uniform and PE Kits

Please ensure that you clearly label your child's uniform and PE kit with their name as this will help in reuniting lost belongings with their owners.

Mrs J Airey  
Student Services

## Duke of Edinburgh Training

The first week of DofE Training will be Thursday 9th January. The topic will be Countryside Codes Part 1 and 2.

Mr R Sutton  
Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator



## Year 8 Success



Congratulations to Year 8 pupil Jared who completed his Karate grading on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December to qualify for his Brown Belt.

Mr W Sarjeant  
DOL Year 8

## Year 10 Work Experience

Reminder for Year 10 students to fill in their private placement forms for work experience. Deadline is 7th February.

Mrs S Merrigan  
Director of Sixth Form

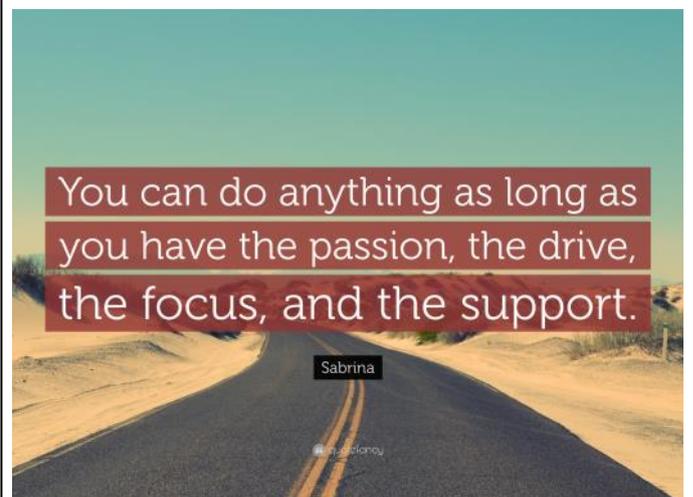
## Half Termly Theme - FOCUS



Think of your attention as a spotlight. If you shine that spotlight on one particular area, you can see things very clearly. If you were to try to spread that same amount of light across a large dark room, you might instead only glimpse the shadowy outlines.

Part of improving your mental focus is all about making the most of the resources you have available. Stop multitasking and instead give your full attention to one thing at a time.

## Quote of the Week



**Sabrina Bryan**, is an American singer, actress, author, songwriter, fashion designer, choreographer, dancer and television personality best known as a member of the girl group The Cheetah Girls, and for starring in the Disney Channel Original Movie of the same name and its sequels.

## Camps International Fundraising

The next Camps meeting date is Wednesday 15th January 2020 in K2 at lunch time. The topic is Group planning time for Spring Event.

Please note Mr Sutton is in K2 every Wednesday lunchtime and can accommodate drop-in meetings on an as needed basis.

Mr R Sutton  
KS3 and KS5 Coordinator of Geography



## PE News

Congratulations to Kayden Brown in Year 7 who has been accepted onto the Basketball England Aspire programme.



**Slam dunking action at Oaklands College**  
OAKLANDS COLLEGE Hatfield Road St Albans, Hertfordshire AL4 0XB

**Reduced prices with this leaflet**

£4 adults	Sat 2nd Nov 2019 - vs Worthing Thunder, 5:45pm
£2 children	Sat 23rd Nov 2019 - vs Reading Rockets, 5:45pm
£10 family 4 (2A+2C)	Sun 1st Dec 2019 - vs Liverpool, 3:30pm
£12 family 5 (2A+3C)	Sat 11th Jan 2020 - vs Loughborough Riders, 5:45pm
	Sat 18th Jan 2020 - vs Bradford Dragons, 5:45pm
	Sat 25th Jan 2020 - vs Westminster Warriors, 5:45pm

see [www.leopardsbasketball.co.uk](http://www.leopardsbasketball.co.uk) or call 07828 470015 for more details

The Physical Education lessons are now in full swing with all classes from Year 7-10 doing either taster GCSE/BTEC lessons, gymnastics or rugby. For some students these activities are new but as always all we ask is that students are asked to produce their 'best' effort in all lessons.

As can be seen in the picture, the PE department lost property is overflowing from trainers, school uniform and PE kit. We would like to clear the lost property by Christmas so we ask if you feel that you have lost items of clothing that you come and have a look to see if it has been left behind.



In terms of PE kit can I make the following points:

Year 7 and 8 students MUST be in the new Ridgeway Uniform (many students have ironed their initials onto

the shirts enabling ease of identification)

Year 9-11 students are given the choice bringing either the Ridgeway kit or the Sir Frederic Osborn PE kit. This is with a view that once the 'old' PE kit becomes too small the new Ridgeway kit will be purchased.

I have agreed that students who are doing rugby can wear 'old' sportswear that they don't mind getting dirty. This is especially important as for some classes they have an indoor lesson the following day. As the weather is changing students are allowed to wear T shirts, skins and underlays under their PE clothes in order to keep warm. Students can also wear the school tracksuit bottoms or the school tracksuit top.

Students are NOT allowed to wear any other sports wear any other time unless a NOTE has been brought in. Having no note gives the impression to the member of the PE staff that the student has not been organised enough and therefore a sanction will be given.

To keep up to date on all clubs, fixtures cancellations I would suggest you follow us on Twitter at Ridgeway Academy PE department @ridgewaypedept

Mr J Chappell  
PE Subject Leader



## Ridgeway Academy PTA

### CALLING ALL PARENTS!!

We are hoping for your support in setting up our Parents and Teachers Association (PTA). We would like to set up events to raise money for the school in particular to raise money for new computers in G2.

It would involve attending 3-4 meetings within a term as well as supporting any events held, or it could be helping with advertising. If this is something you would like to be involved in please contact [Emily.Symeou@ridgeway.hert.sch.uk](mailto:Emily.Symeou@ridgeway.hert.sch.uk)

Thank You

Mrs E Symeou  
Computing  
and ICT  
Subject  
Leader



## Growth Mindset - FORCE

At Ridgeway we are committed to enabling our students to develop a Growth Mindset and thereby achieve more than they may have thought possible.



Forename	Reg	House	Number of FC	Date awarded
Abi	7E	Anderson	5	02/12/2019
Alfie	7E	Hawking	4	02/12/2019
Amy	7E	Anderson	3	02/12/2019
Andrew	7E	Anderson	3	02/12/2019
Annie	7E	Lytton	2	02/12/2019
Archie	7C	Anderson	2	02/12/2019
CJ	7E	Anderson	2	02/12/2019
Conor	7C	Mandela	3	02/12/2019
Crystal	7C	Hawking	2	02/12/2019
Daniel	7W	Mandela	3	02/12/2019
David	7C	Hawking	5	02/12/2019
Freddie	7D	Hawking	6	02/12/2019
Isobel	7D	Lytton	1	02/12/2019
Jamal	7C	Lytton	2	02/12/2019
Jojo	7D	Lytton	4	02/12/2019
Kai	7K	Lytton	1	02/12/2019
Karol	7W	Mandela	1	02/12/2019
Katie	7D	Lytton	4	02/12/2019
Katie	7E	Mandela	2	02/12/2019
Kayden	7C	Anderson	2	02/12/2019
Leo	7E	Mandela	2	02/12/2019
Lewis	9E	Mandela	1	02/12/2019
Lilith	7C	Anderson	3	02/12/2019
Lucy	7C	Hawking	5	02/12/2019
Mary	7K	Mandela	8	02/12/2019
Max	7E	Anderson	1	02/12/2019
Mila	7K	Lytton	2	02/12/2019
Phoebe	7K	Mandela	1	02/12/2019
Rose	7D	Hawking	4	02/12/2019
Rose	7W	Anderson	2	02/12/2019
Sanaya	7E	Anderson	2	02/12/2019
Tariq	7E	Mandela	1	02/12/2019
Ted	7E	Lytton	2	02/12/2019
Tommy	7D	Anderson	2	02/12/2019

They do this by demonstrating that they have the FORCE: Focus, Optimism, Resilience, Creativity and Energy. Every student has a FORCE card and, upon its completion, they are awarded a FORCE badge, a certificate and a FORCE card that allows them, and a friend, to jump the lunch queue in Attimore for a week.

We are really delighted to see so many Year 7 students embracing the Growth Mindset and joining their peers from other years in developing the FORCE skills. The students listed below are the latest to have earned this achievement and we are very proud of them all. May the FORCE be with you!

Mrs C Maddocks  
**Assistant Head Achievement**

## Ridgeway Charity Day

Ridgeway Academy is proud to be hosting a Charity Day on Friday the 20th December 2019 to raise some much needed funds for Isabel Hospice. This will also be an opportunity for students who have signed up for Camps International to raise funds for their volunteering expedition.

The day will incorporate a carousel of events. These events include an inflatable course, the Head Teachers Quiz, Ridgeways Got Talent and a Fete.

Students are encouraged to dress up either in Film Fancy dress at a cost of £1, or casual clothes for £2. The Best dressed will be judged in the morning by the Head of Year.

Tickets for the day will be sold in strips of 5 for £1. These tickets will be available for sale from K2 between the 10th and 19th of December. Please pay via Wisepay. The inflatable course will cost 10 raffle tickets. We anticipate that students will not need more than £5.

Students will compete in their houses for the Head Teachers Quiz. Ridgeways Got Talent will see students competing in their forms to be the winner of their year group. Winners will be judged on class participation, quality of presentation and novelty factor.

We look forward to an exciting and fun filled day.

Mr R Sutton  
**110 Form Tutor, DofE Coordinator, Head of Lytton House, KS3 and KS5 Coordinator of Geography, Temporary Associate Assistant Headteacher**







**Stevenage Football Club Foundation** provide a variety of projects within the local community targeting young people.

**The Premier League Kicks Programme** provides sports sessions to young people aged 8-19 and is delivered in targeted areas of Hertfordshire.

**Stevenage**  
 Marriotts School  
 Telford Avenue, Stevenage, SG2 0AN  
 3G AstroTurf  
 Monday: 7pm - 8:30pm  
 £1 per session

**Welwyn Garden City**  
 Ridgeway Academy Sports Centre  
 Herts Lane, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 2AF  
 Sand Based Astro  
 Friday: 7pm - 8:30pm  
**FREE!**

**Girls Only Session**  
 Attimore Hall, Ridgeway Academy Sports Centre  
 Herts Lane, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 2AF  
 Sports Hall  
 Friday: 7pm - 8pm  
**FREE!**

For more information call 01438 223223 or online at [www.stevenagefcfoundation.com](http://www.stevenagefcfoundation.com)

**Stevenage FC Foundation**  
 The Lamex Stadium, Broadhall Way, Herts, SG2 8RH  
 Tel: 01438 223223 Email: [lornaw@stevenagefc.com](mailto:lornaw@stevenagefc.com)






**GIRLS ONLY!**

**The Premier League Kicks Programme** provides sports sessions to girls aged 8-19 and is delivered in targeted areas of Hertfordshire.

**FREE TO ATTEND!**  
 Attimore Hall  
 Ridgeway Academy Sports Centre  
 Herts Lane, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 2AF  
 2AFSports Hall  
 Friday: 7pm - 8pm

For more information call 01438 223223 or online at [www.stevenagefcfoundation.com](http://www.stevenagefcfoundation.com)

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We are delighted to announce that Ridgeway Academy will take part in our 4th Christmas Toy Collection this year. All gifts will be donated to the amazing Children's Ward at Lister Hospital, Stevenage.

The RASC team have collected over 350 toys in 3 years with the help of the local community. We have seen first hand the impact the gifts have on the young people at Lister Hospital and the joy it brings them at Christmas time.



# RASC CHRISTMAS TOY COLLECTION



The Hospital request that all donated items are brand new and unwrapped. Please bring your gifts to the School's main reception (Herts Lane) or Sports Centre (Appletree Way)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01707 351 352. [ross.goodship@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk](mailto:ross.goodship@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk)

Welwyn Garden City Centenary - Schools Photography Competition 2020

This year's theme is...

Celebrations

Launching January 1st 2020

Open to all  
Welwyn Garden City  
Students KS1-KS5



Prize Giving  
Ceremony will be  
held on 26<sup>th</sup>  
November 2020



Photo Upload

**DEADLINE**

17<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Upload your photo to...

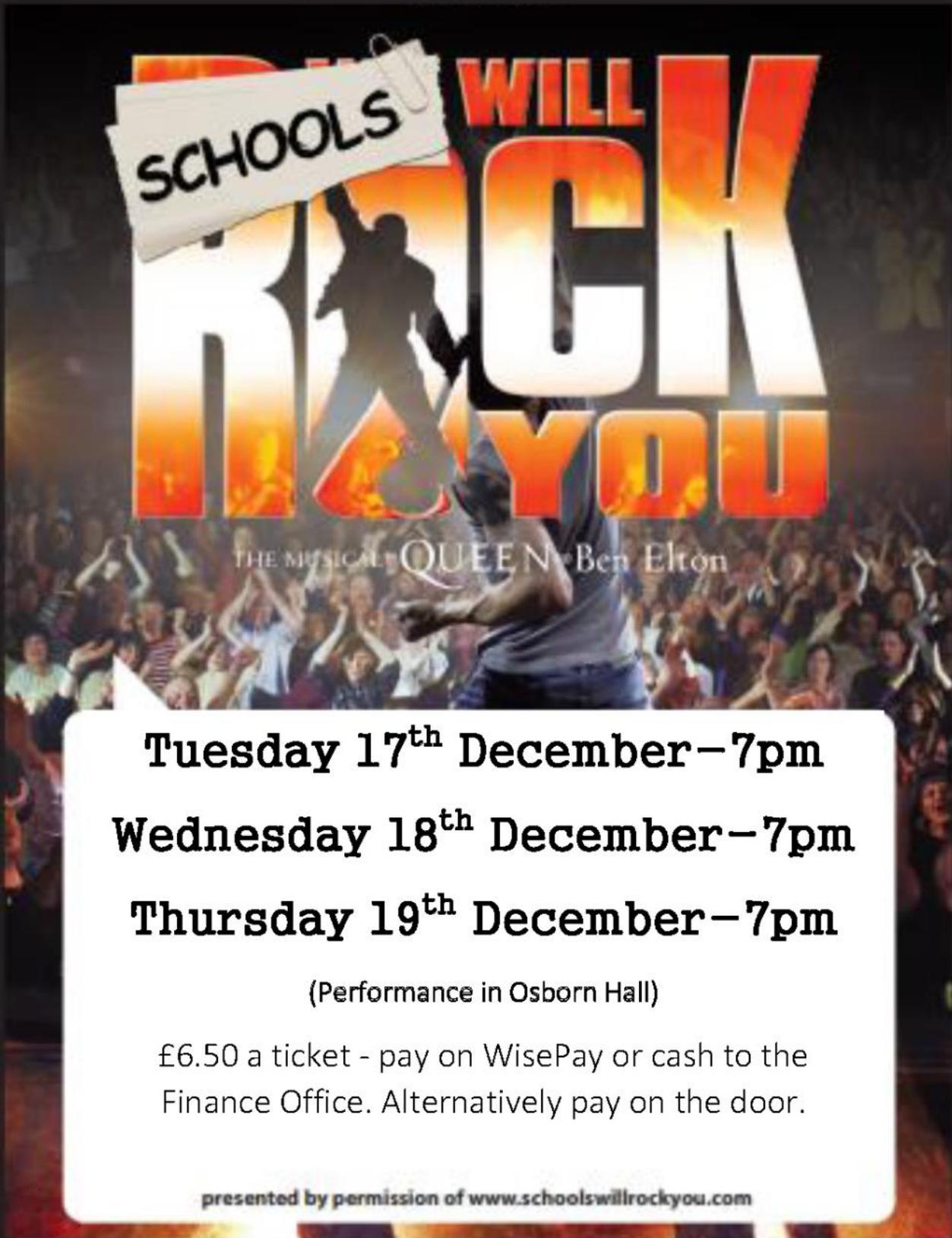


Please ask your  
teacher if you need  
any help or  
advice

[wgccsps.co.uk/school](http://wgccsps.co.uk/school)

# RIDGEWAY ACADEMY'S

production of...



**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – 7pm**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – 7pm**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – 7pm**

(Performance in Osborn Hall)

£6.50 a ticket - pay on WisePay or cash to the Finance Office. Alternatively pay on the door.

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# TALKING FAMILIES



Because parents don't get training for the toughest job on earth!

**MONDAYS**



**24th February and 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th March 2020**  
7.00 - 9.00pm

Our FREE 6 week course for parents and carers of children aged 0-12 will help you to:

- Manage challenging behaviour with consistency
- Encourage positive behaviour
- Build your child's self esteem
- Set and maintain boundaries
- Respond to tantrums and difficult feelings in children

'It was a brilliant course and has made a huge difference'

'It has taught me new skills to deal with family life'

**6th FORM COMMON ROOM  
THE RIDGEWAY ACADEMY**

**Herns Lane  
Welwyn Garden City  
AL7 2AF**

**Pre-booking essential**

To check eligibility and book a place, contact Supporting Links on:  
**07512 709556**

[bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk](mailto:bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk)

[www.supportinglinks.co.uk](http://www.supportinglinks.co.uk)

**QUOTING REFERENCE SL353**



This course is provided free to parents by Hertfordshire County Council

## Drama News

### We Will Rock You (Whole School Production)

**Sunday 15th 10am-3pm** We Will Rock You Cast and Band Rehearsals

**Monday 16th P1-5** Technical Rehearsal (Crew, SS, WS, Ricardo/Pete needed)

**Tuesday 17th P1-5** Dress Rehearsal and performance to primary schools (Crew, Cast, SS, WS, TD, Josh H) **5.30pm** Cast and Crew call for show **7pm** Show begins

**Wednesday 18th 5.30pm** Cast and Crew call for show **7pm** Show begins

**Thursday 19th 5.30pm** Cast and Crew call for show **7pm** Show begins

Please don't forget to book your tickets on Wisepay or in cash to Finance. Tickets are £6 each (£6.50 via Wisepay) and it is allocated seating.

Anyone who can help us out with the show, please let us know. Thank you to everyone for your support.

### Theatre trips coming up:

#### Dr Faustus (Splendid Productions)

Quarry Theatre, Bedford  
Tuesday 26th Feb 2020 - Year 10 Drama students.

**Sarah Standage**  
Subject Leader for Drama

## We Will Rock You Rehearsal Schedule (Version 6) November

Week beginning:	TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	OTHER
09.12.19	LUNCHTIME	DRAMA STUDIO OPEN FOR RECAP REHEARSALS	DRAMA STUDIO OPEN FOR RECAP REHEARSALS	DRAMA STUDIO OPEN FOR RECAP REHEARSALS	DRAMA STUDIO OPEN FOR RECAP REHEARSALS	
<b>WEEK 2</b>	AFTER SCHOOL (3-4.30PM)	IN DRAMA: <b>ALL CAST</b>  IN MUSIC:	IN DRAMA: <b>ALL CAST</b>  IN MUSIC: YR 11 -ENGLISH INTERVENTION	LEAD DANCE rehearsal with Melissa (Megan, Sophia, Jess)  IN DRAMA: <b>ALL CAST</b>  IN MUSIC: YR 11 OPTION & INTERVENTION	IN DRAMA: TBC  IN MUSIC: YR 11 MATHS INTERVENTION	<b>ALL CREW: SAT 8-10am ALL CAST: 10am - 3pm</b>

### Notes:

- Please add page numbers for your scripts
- Please make note of when you are needed. If you feel that you need more rehearsal time for a particular scene - see Miss Standage/Mrs Dean to arrange lunchtime rehearsals.
- ALL lyrics and lines need to be learnt for Act 1 by Half term
- ACT 2 lyrics and lines to be learnt by the end of November
- T-Shirts will be ordered asap. These are to be worn for rehearsals where possible.
- Please note SATURDAY rehearsals. We will confirm nearer the time who we need. This will be mostly for leads to rehearse scenes/songs. Let us know if you can't do any of these dates.

## PE Update/Leadership Update

### Year 10 Basketball Rally CHAMPIONS!

On Thursday 21st November, Ridgeway hosted the annual Year 10 Basketball Rally. A total of 9 teams across the district were in attendance.

The Ridgeway team went unbeaten in the group stages, with comprehensive wins against all the teams they played against, which secured their place in the final; they were to play Stanborough.

In the final, the team worked incredibly hard in defence and attack to outwit their opposition and retain the title of RALLY CHAMPIONS for another year. Well done all, we couldn't be prouder. A special mention to Deborah James who was named player of the tournament.



### Primary Basketball Competition

On Tuesday 19th November, the Level 1 Primary Basketball Competition took place with over 100 local primary school students in attendance from our family primary schools.

There was some excellent basketball on show with teams working incredibly hard in all of their matches. There were some brilliant points scored as well as excellent examples of effective defending and working as a team to win back the ball.

The competition was extremely close and this was seen by 4 different schools taking the top three places! Panshanger and Waterside finished in joint third, Watchlytes finished in second and Commonswood finished in first. Well done to all of our teams.

A special mention to some of our Year 9 Basketball Team who umpired the games superbly.



### Wellbeing Spotlight – 8 Edinburgh

Over the past couple of weeks, 8 Edinburgh have been applying themselves fantastically during their Wellbeing lessons. More recently, the form group looked at different ways they could problem solve through a range of different challenges and tasks.

Once the form had been split into two teams, it was a competition to see who could be the fastest team to make the longest line across the sports hall. Certain restrictions were put in place including: one person had to be touching the red lines and all members had to be in contact with each other. It was extremely competitive! They then were placed in a circle. Whilst connected, they had to get a hoop back to where it started. Again, the teams problem solved effectively to knock seconds off their time and were successfully able to do so.

This linked to our previous topics of communication and teamwork; it was brilliant to see the group apply this to problem solving effectively. Brilliant work 8E well done!

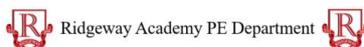


### Results Spotlight

Please see below some highlight results from recent extra-curricular fixtures:

SPORT	YEAR GROUP	OPPOSITION	SCORE	PLAYER OF THE MATCH
Basketball	10	Various - Rally	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Deborah James
Basketball	10	Onslow	60-17	

Mr R Carolan  
School Sports Co-Ordinator



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Search Ridgeway Academy PE Department

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/@RidgewayPEDept

<https://www.yourschoolgames.com/schools/sir-frederic-osborn-school/>

## Do you want to join a Sporting Team?

Do you want to join a sporting team but unaware of when the training days are for that specific sport? Please see the detailed guide below to see how the different sports are included into our extra-curricular programme.

	Football	Girls Football	FUTSAL - Boys	Netball	Basketball	Girls Cricket
Year 7	Monday Afterschool 3-4pm	Wednesday Afterschool 3-4pm		Monday Afterschool 3-4.15pm	Tuesday Afterschool 3-4pm/Thursday Lunchtime	Wednesday Lunchtime
Year 8		Wednesday Afterschool 3-4pm	Monday Lunchtime	Monday Afterschool 3-4.15pm/Thursday Afterschool 3-4.15pm	Thursday Lunchtime/Friday Afterschool 3-4.30pm	Wednesday Lunchtime
Year 9	Tuesday Afterschool 3-4pm	Wednesday Afterschool 3-4pm	Monday Lunchtime	Tuesday Afterschool 3-4pm	Wednesday Afterschool 3-4pm	Wednesday Lunchtime
Year 10		Wednesday Afterschool 3-4pm		Tuesday Afterschool 3-4pm	Monday Afterschool 3-4pm	Wednesday Lunchtime
Year 11	TBA			Tuesday Afterschool 3-4pm	Monday Afterschool 3-4pm	
U14 Girls					Tuesday Lunchtime	



## PE DEPARTMENT AUTUMN TERM CLUBS LIST 2019

	Lunch Clubs	Requirements/Location/Lunch	After School Clubs	Time/Requirements Location
<b>Monday</b>	Year 8&9 Boys FUTSAL (MP)	<b>MUST HAVE</b> Trainers/SPORTS HALL/INVITE ONLY	Year 10/11 Basketball (KA/JC)	<b>3-4pm</b> /FULL PE KIT with trainers/SPORTS HALL/TEAM PLAYERS ONLY
	Year 7 REWARD Football Kick About on AWP (MTI)	<b>MUST HAVE</b> Trainers/ALL WEATER PITCH/INVITE ONLY	Year 7 Football (MP) Year 7&8 Netball (CD)	<b>3-4pm</b> /FULL PE KIT with Football Boots/ALL WEATHER PITCH <b>3-4.15pm</b> /FULL PE KIT/SPORTS HALL or OUTDOOR COURTS
<b>Tuesday</b>	U14 Girls Basketball (RTC)	<b>MUST HAVE</b> Trainers/SPORTS HALL/TEAM PLAYERS ONLY	Year 7 Basketball (KA)	<b>3-4pm</b> /FULL PE KIT/SPORTS HALL
	Primary Competitions	Sports Hall closed for Primary Competitions unless otherwise stated.	Year 9 + 10 + 11 Netball (SV)	<b>3-4pm</b> /FULL PE KIT/OUTDOOR COURTS
	Year 10 BTEC Intervention (MP/CD)	BTEC Books/SPORTS HALL DANCE STUDIO/INVITE ONLY	Year 9 Football (RTC)	<b>3-4pm</b> /FULL PE KIT with Football Boots/ALL WEATHER PITCH
<b>Wednesday</b>	KS3 + Year 10 Girls Cricket (RG)	<b>MUST HAVE</b> Trainers/SPORTS HALL	All Years Girls Football (RTC)	<b>3-4pm</b> /FULL PE KIT with Football Boots/ALL WEATHER PITCH
			Year 9 Basketball (MP)	<b>3-4pm</b> /FULL PE KIT with trainers/SPORTS HALL/TEAM PLAYERS ONLY
			GCSE Intervention (JC)	GCSE PE Books/L2/INVITE ONLY
<b>Thursday</b>	Year 8 REWARD Football Kick About on AWP (WS)	<b>MUST HAVE</b> Trainers/ALL WEATHER PITCH/INVITE ONLY	Year 8 Netball (CD)	<b>3-4.15pm</b> /FULL PE KIT/SPORTS HALL or OUTDOOR COURTS
	Year 7 + 8 Basketball (MP)	<b>MUST HAVE</b> Trainers/SPORTS HALL/TEAM PLAYERS ONLY		
<b>Friday</b>	Year 9 + 10 Basketball (KA)	<b>MUST HAVE</b> Trainers/SPORTS HALL/TEAM PLAYERS ONLY	Year 8 Basketball (JC/RTC)	<b>3-4.30pm</b> /FULL PE KIT with trainers/SPORTS HALL/TEAM PLAYERS ONLY

Only students participating in a club must be in the facility, with trainers. There **MUST NOT** be any spectators at clubs or people in the Sports Hall corridors during Lunchtime. Students must get and eat their lunch first and then enter the club, unless otherwise stated. Once a club is full, no more students can participate. **Please note that all clubs are subject to change, especially due to extra-curricular fixtures, please always check the noticeboards.**

## Sports Centre Update

We are delighted to announce that we will again be running both our 5-14 and 11-18 programmes in February Half Term. For full details, please see the posters or feel free to contact me. We look forward to seeing you again soon!

### Christmas Toy Collection

Reminder that we are collecting toys for Christmas. These toys will be delivered to Lister Hospital Children's ward by our staff at #RASC. We have set a target of 250 donations this year which with your help, we feel is achievable so please get donating!

All toys, books and games that are collected must be brand new and in original packaging. The gifts are then distributed at Christmas time and throughout the year on birthdays so the gifts do not necessarily have to be Christmas themed.

If you would like to be a part of making more children happy at this time of year please be in contact with me to find out more information. Please drop donations in to the Sports Centre or main school reception. Thank you for your support.

Ross Goodship  
**Sports Centre Manager**  
 Tel: 01707 351 352  
 Email: [Ross.Goodship@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk](mailto:Ross.Goodship@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk)

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all the Team here at RASC.**

**RASC CHRISTMAS  
 OPENING HOURS**

Monday 16th - 20th December - *Open as normal.*

Saturday 21st December - 09:00-15:00  
 (Youth Football/Mini Athletics & Q Kwan ONLY)

Sunday 22nd Dec - 09:00-15:00 (Youth Football ONLY)

Monday/ Tuesday 23/24th December -  
 Multi-Active ONLY

Wednesday 25th Dec - Wednesday 1st Jan - SC CLOSED

Thursday 2nd January - *Re-opens as normal*

**AGE 11-18 | Pay & Play**  
**February Half Term Holiday**  
**Monday 17th 9am to 4pm**  
**- Friday 21st Feb**

**£1**  
 Per Hour  
 RA Students

**£2**  
 Per Hour  
 Students

**£3**  
 Per Hour  
 Non-Students

✉ [ross.goodship@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk](mailto:ross.goodship@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk)  
 6th Form, College & Uni students must bring student ID\*

/RASportscentre RASportscentre @RASportscentre

[www.ridgeway.herts.sch.uk/sportscentre](http://www.ridgeway.herts.sch.uk/sportscentre) **01707 351352**

Non students must attend with a student. \*Failure to provide ID will result in non student rate

**Age 5-14 Pay & Play**

**February Half Term** Monday 17th to Friday 21st Feb  
 9am to 4pm

**£60 weekly  
 Unlimited  
 Card**

**£3  
 Per Person  
 Per Hour**

**£2.50  
 Per Sibling  
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All sessions are supervised by the RA Sports Centre Team

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## Autumn Term 2019

Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 7 Harry Potter Studio Trip
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 8 Ice Skating Reward Trip
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> - Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	We Will Rock You Performance
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of Term 12:30pm

## Spring Term 2020

Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Inset Day
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Start of Term
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 11 Parents Consultation Evening
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 9 Options Interview Evening
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 11 Martin Van Der Spoel Talk
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Year 10 Martin Van Der Spoel Talk
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 7 Reports home
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Year 10 and Year 11 Macbeth Theatre Group
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 11 Practical food exam
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 7 Disco
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 9 Martin Van der Spoel Workshop
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 11 and Sixth Form photos
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Inset Days
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Half Term
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Year 9 Reports home
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Year 8 Reports home
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Non Uniform day (Sport Relief week)
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Whole School Photograph
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Year 11 Drama Practical Exam Rehearsal
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 7 Reports home
	Year 11 GCSE Drama Practical Exam
	End of Term

## Summer Term 2020

Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Start of Term
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday Monday and Half Term
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> - Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Inset Days (school closed)