



Ridgeway News

SHARING THE DETAIL AND THE BIGGER PICTURE WITH OUR COMMUNITY



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Ridgeway Academy

Headteacher's Message

We were recently visited by an external professional who conducted a behaviour review within the school. The inspector visits many schools and we were delighted with his summary statement: *'The positive culture, strong relationships between staff and students, and the overall respect and behaviour of the students around the school, and throughout the day, are amongst the strongest seen by the reviewer; leaving no doubt that the school can achieve the extraordinarily high levels of student behaviour that it aspires to.'*

Congratulations to Mr Booth who has been promoted to Deputy Headteacher at Mill Hill County High School. We are grateful for his expertise and pastoral care and he is working closely with Mr Smith who will join us in September as Pastoral Deputy Headteacher and Miss Jenner as Assistant Headteacher, Pastoral care.

Last week we hosted an external safeguarding review to explore how effectively leaders and governors create a safeguarding culture and the quality of safeguarding practice. The inspector concluded; *'Staff and students talk positively about the culture of safeguarding at the school. Students explain that they feel safe and that they learn about how to stay safe when they are not in school. Staff know how to report concerns and use the systems the school has in place appropriately.'* We are expanding our current team of six safeguarding officers to meet the growing size of the school.

Today we have celebrated Year 11 and Year 13 students with a leavers event which culminated in a guard of honour from everyone at Ridgeway Academy. We are incredibly proud of the resilience which the students have shown in their examination year and look forward to seeing them on results days. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Merrigan who have led preparations for this special event. I would like to thank the staff of Ridgeway for their hard work, particularly through the robust system in place to moderate the teacher assessed grades.

As ever, please continue the programme of lateral flow testing and logging results **on the Government website and for school** please [click here](#) for link. Please ensure

your son/daughter conducts a test on 6 June, before they return to school.

It has been wonderful over the past few weeks to see a return to enrichment activities with students excelling in athletics, drama, food technology and ecology and conservation work to name a few. I hope you enjoy this final newsletter of summer 1 and I wish you all a wonderful half term break in the sunshine.

Mrs Sarah Mitcheson
Headteacher



Message from Hertfordshire County Council

Hertfordshire County Council have asked us to share the following update with you ahead of half-term:

Thank you all so much for playing your part and helping to keep case rates of Covid-19 low in Hertfordshire. During half-term, and as restrictions ease more generally, it's more important than ever that we follow current guidance to help keep each other safe and our nurseries, schools and colleges free from outbreaks.

Please do not send children back into education if they are sick or feel unwell. If you or children have symptoms you must self-isolate immediately and book a PCR test at: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Reminder of some of the latest guidance from 17 May:

- 6 people, or two households (each household can include a support bubble, if eligible) can now meet indoors and up to 30 people can gather outside.
- If you are meeting with family and friends, the government is asking that you personally consider the risks associated with COVID-19 when deciding on things like wearing face coverings and social distancing for both you and your children.
- Restaurants, pubs and cafes can reopen and so can indoor entertainment and attractions such as cinemas, bowling alleys, museums and children's indoor play areas. All of these services will have COVID-secure measures in place, please encourage your children to follow the rules when out and about.

Travelling within the UK

If you do go away, you should aim to do so safely. For instance, one of our close neighbours, Bedford, has a high number of cases and people are being advised to avoid travelling in and out of the area unless it is essential (for work or education).

You can find the latest travel guidance for England and the rest of the UK at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do#travelling-within-the-uk-the-republic-of-ireland-and-the-channel-islands>

Travelling Internationally from England

There are no longer any restrictions on leaving England to travel internationally, however to protect public health in the UK and the vaccine rollout, you should not travel to [countries or territories on the red or amber lists](#).

If you do need to travel to an **Amber destination for an emergency, you must update any setting attended by your child(ren) and;**

- All family members who have travelled must quarantine for 10 days at home upon their return and can only leave home to take a test.
- Paid for PCR tests must be completed by all those who have travelled aged 4 and above on day 2 and again on day 8 following your return.
- Please do not send children back to nursery, school or college without completing the mandatory quarantine period.

Testing at home with Lateral Flow Devices (rapid tests)

During half-term you should continue to encourage children in year 7 and above to test and report their results as they have been in term time.

Support for Families

This is a challenging time for everyone, and we want you know that help and support is available for anyone who needs it in Hertfordshire. HertsHelp can provide free, confidential advice and practical help for things like food, essential bills and emotional support. Call 0300 123 4044, email info@hertshelp.net or visit www.hertshelp.net

We hope you enjoy half-term and remember - hands, face, space, fresh air and test. These key things will help to keep you and your loved ones safe.

Message from Hertfordshire County Council

Hertfordshire County Council

We would like your help to share a survey about testing with Lateral Flow Devices (LFDs) with students in secondary school and above, all staff and parents and carers. We're keen to learn from people's experiences, how easy it is to do, are there any issues affecting uptake, what suggestions you might have for improving the process.

Your responses will help us to find the best way out of the pandemic. The deadline to complete the survey is Friday 28 May 2021.

<https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/BA35VR/>

Ridgeway Rewards

In the classroom students can achieve FORCE reward points and outside the classroom they can achieve value points.

Students that have shown all FORCE traits in all their learning and will be receiving the deliveries from the Headteacher this fortnight are;

Year 7 Matylda Lech and Patrick Caulfield
Year 8 Alfie Jarvis and Robyn Cross
Year 9 Luke Hornsey and Anelisiwe Ntaisi
Year 10 Keanu Fleming and James Hursey
Year 11 Jaimie Cox and Bailey Curtis
Sixth Form Amy Rolfe and Mikolaj Zurkowski

Mrs S Merrigan
Head of Sixth Form



Duke of Edinburgh

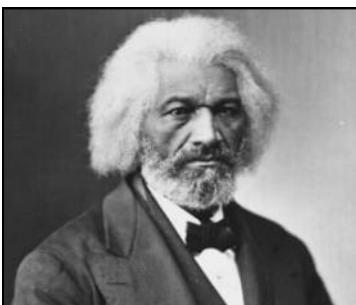
Sunday 30th May 2021 - 10am to 4pm

Meet outside B Block.
Year 10 and 11 Training Day.
On school site and surrounding area.

Mr R Sutton
Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator



Quote of the Week



It is easier to build strong children than to fix broken adults.

Frederick Douglass

Frederick Douglass was an American social reformer, abolitionist, orator, writer, and statesman. After escaping from slavery in Maryland, he became a national leader of the abolitionist movement in Massachusetts and New York, becoming famous for his oratory and incisive antislavery writings.

Dance and Drama Club



Dance Club 3pm-4pm

Year 7 and 8

Thursday - Sports Hall Dance Studio

Year 9 and 10 Monday - E2



Drama 3pm-4pm

KS3

Wednesday - Musical Theatre Club - E1

Year 10

Thursday - GCSE Drama Rehearsals - E1/E2

Year 12

Monday - Drama rehearsals - E1



Homework Club

New homework club days and times are as follows:

Year 7	Monday	3pm-4pm	K2
Year 7	Friday	3pm-3.40pm	K2
Year 8	Tuesday & Thursday	3pm-4pm	K2
Year 9	Wednesday	3pm-4pm	K2

Ecological well being of Ridgeway

On Thursday 20th May, students from Year 7, 9 and 10 took part in a centenary-inspired project to explore the ecological well being of Ridgeway Academy and take part in a place perception study of Welwyn Garden City Town Centre as featured in this week's [Welwyn Hatfield Times](#). Initially put on hold due to Covid-19, the project worked in partnership with the Centenary Foundation, Groundworks and the local councils. The goal of the day was to create a baseline set of data which can be used for comparison purposes over time, measuring whether the physical and built environment around the local area improves.



During the day, students investigated the biotic and abiotic conditions of our school pond and science garden, as well as taking part in a town study. The group also listened to talks about our local air quality as well as a lecture by Dr. Susie Grant, from the British Antarctic Survey.

The data that students collected will be analysed over the course of the Summer Term using GIS, with the cohort presenting their findings to members of the local council.

On behalf of all the students, I'd like to extend my thanks to everyone who helped make the day a success.

Mr R Sutton
KS3 and KS5 Co-Ordinator Geography

School Vacancies

The school is currently recruiting for the following roles:

Sixth Form Student Liaison Officer

Closing date: Friday 11th June 9am
Interview date: Friday 18th June
Start date: July 2021

For further information, please visit our website:
<https://ridgeway.herts.sch.uk/vacancies/>

Mrs K Biss
Human Resources Officer

Year 8 Team Maths Challenge

Huge congratulations to Year 8's Lucy Claridge, Renee Brown, Daniel Stackman and David James, who have qualified for the finals of the Herts for Learning Year 8 team maths challenge! They participated in one of the heats last week, coming 12th out of 29 teams and earning their place in the final, which will take place in June.

Miss C Meechan
Assistant Subject Leader – Mathematics

Drug and Alcohol Awareness Event

On Thursday 27th May Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council are hosting another awareness session for parents and guardians in Welwyn Hatfield with the focus being on drug and alcohol awareness.

Helping Your Child Stay Safe: Smoking, Drinking and Drugs

Thursday 27th May, 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Location: Online

This session will be delivered by CGL Spectrum Families and Young Person's Service. Spectrum families and young person's service is open to young people under 18 and young adults up to the age of 25 who are struggling with drinking or drug use. They also support children and young people who are impacted by a parent or carers drug or alcohol use.

Megan and Chris, who will be delivering the session, will empower you to support your child if they decide to drink or use drugs and help keep them safe, healthy and happy. Learn about new substances you may never have heard of, the differences between helping and enabling, and how to communicate effectively with your loved ones.

This event is FREE for anyone to attend and will take place via Microsoft Teams. A link to access the session will be sent out to attendees 48 hours before.

To book a place visit: <https://parent-guardian-drug-and-alcohol-awareness.eventbrite.co.uk>



**Change
Grow
Live**

House Points

In the lead currently are Hawking with 23845 points.

Anderson	Hawking	Lytton	Mandela
18115	23845	22390	20130

Special Educational Needs



OPEN LETTER TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS:

Dear Parents and Guardians

SEN Services in the Local Area

I am writing to confirm the SEN Services in the local area.

The Hertfordshire Local Offer lets parents and young people know what SEND services are available in the local area, including things to do during the half term holiday and courses.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/local-offer/courses-and-activities-in-hertfordshire/things-to-do/find-courses-and-things-to-do-new?service=eventLocalOffer&pageIndex=0>

There are Creative Spark Sessions for 13-17 year olds, a project that helps young people to improve their social and communication skills through fun and interactive sessions.

There are also sessions that provide an introduction to the topic of understanding and supporting your child's sensory self-regulation, executive functioning and Education Health and Care Plan webinars.

Educational Psychologists from Hertfordshire County Council, work directly with schools to help meet the needs of children and young people aged 0-25. Educational Psychologists aim to understand how people think, learn, feel, behave and develop.

A contact line is provided for parents who want to speak to an Educational Psychologist on Wednesdays, from 2.00pm until 4.30pm. Telephone number 01992 588 574.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/local-offer/services-for-children-and-young-people/educational-psychologists.aspx>

Speech, Language, Communication and Autism (SLCA) are a team of qualified teachers and specialists who support children and young people who have needs relating to speech, language, communication and autism.

The SLCA Needs advice line is available to help with any queries, anyone can contact the advice line on 01442 453 920 during term time on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1.30pm – 4.00pm.

The Specific Learning Difficulties Team are experienced teachers qualified in assessing and working with pupils who have specific learning difficulties (SpLD).

What are specific learning difficulties? Specific learning difficulties (SpLD) is an umbrella term for a certain group of learning difficulties. This includes a range of conditions such as dyslexia, dyscalculia and dyspraxia. Specific Learning Difficulties Advice Line can help answer any query you may have. It's available on 01442 453 920 during term time on Mondays and Thursdays from 9.30am - 12pm.

ADD-vance

ADD-vance are a group of dedicated professionals who are also parents of children affected by ADHD and/or autism. ADD-vance's mission is to support families and increase understanding of these conditions. They offer support meetings, 1:1 parent support, parent training courses and have a Facebook page. They also have a closed Facebook page just for parents that you can ask to join.

Contact Details: Foundation House, 2-4 Forum Place, Fiddlebridge Lane, Hatfield, AL10 0RN
Tel: 01727 833963 - Mon to Fri: 9am-1pm
Email: herts@add-vance.org
<http://www.add-vance.org/parents/>

Get support from SENIASS

Hertfordshire SENIASS provides information, advice and support which is accurate, confidential and accessible for young people and parents. They aim to promote independence and self-advocacy to enable guardians and students to participate in making informed decisions about SEN.

Can SENIASS help?

- Are you or the young person you are looking to get support for aged 25 or under?
- Do you (the young person) or the young person you are looking to get support for have a special educational need and/or a disability?

If the answer is yes to both, then you can get information, advice and support about extra help you might need.

How can I get in touch with SENIASS?

You can contact SENIASS by:
Phone 01992 555847
Email: info@hertssendiass.org.uk

SENIASS can come and meet you, the child or talk to your parents or carers if you prefer.

<https://www.hertssendiass.org.uk/home.aspx>

Within Ridgeway

You may contact me on 01707 351350 or email Patience.Adjei@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk with regards to students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 who may have a SEN. You can also contact me, if you have any questions or queries with regards to SEN or if

you would like to collaborate, consult and give your views on SEN or SEN Policy at Ridgeway Academy.

Ms P Adjei
Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO) at Ridgeway Academy
Patience.Adjei@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk

This Girl Can Competition



Please see below the link to the 'This Girl Can' art and photography competition entry form.

Those who live or are educated within Welwyn Hatfield aged 0-16 (two separate age groups 0-11 and 12-16), can create a piece of art, take a photograph or write a poem reflecting the theme **'Sport; why you enjoy playing and why it's good to be active.'**

Winners will receive a £50 Love2Shop voucher.

The deadline to submit an entry is Friday 4th June.

<https://one.welhat.gov.uk/thisgirlcan>



Attendance

Attendance to school each day is mandatory. The government are insisting that schools follow robust attendance procedures including sanctioning non-attendance through Fixed Penalty Notices issued by Hertfordshire County Council. It is vital that students are here every day to ensure they are able to achieve their full potential. Any student with attendance below 90% will have to provide medical evidence for any further absence otherwise the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Uniform

Thank you to parents and carers for ensuring that your children arrive at school dressed in full school uniform each day, they look incredibly smart. School uniform is mandatory each day, students arriving at school without the correct uniform will be sent home to change. If you are experiencing financial hardship, please do contact Mr Booth at the address below to see if the school can support.

Mr S Booth
Assistant Headteacher
Steve.Booth@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk

Library News

Read All About It!

Look out for Issue 2 of the Library newsletter Ridgeway Reads which you can find on the school intranet. Select **Library** then click on *Ridgeway Reads*. Or go to the school website, select **School Life/The Library** then scroll down to click on the issue.



Congratulations to Luke Hornsey in Year 9 who has been appointed Editor. If you would like to write a book review, or an article for the newsletter, please email it to: library@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk

Library Lessons and Events Resume after Half-Term

I am delighted to say that Library lessons for Year 7 and Year 8 students will resume after half-term. I'm really looking forward to welcoming students back into the Library. The Book Club has already re-started and meets on Friday lunchtime in the Library for Years 7 and 9 as the split lunchtimes avoid bubbles mixing. Students from other year groups are welcome on other days, please see Mrs Lawrence. A new Debating Society will meet in the Library on Wednesdays after half-term. The first meeting will be on Wednesday 9th June. See the article in Ridgeway Reads by 6th Former and Deputy Head Girl Tara Adenubi for full details.



Read the *i newspaper* online every day for free (until end of August 2021) Don't forget that you have access to the *i newspaper* for free until the end of August.

Please email me if you need another copy of the login details. I would love to know what you think about this initiative so please email me at library@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk with any feedback.

...and finally, a plea from Mrs Lawrence:

Would all students please have a good look at home for any overdue Library books and return them asap by putting them in the black bin at the Library door. Or give them to your English teacher in your next English class. This especially applies to students who are leaving the school this term.



Thank you, Mrs Lawrence.

email: library@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk
Twitter: @LibraryRidgeway
Instagram: ridgewaylibraryteam



PE Department/Leadership Academy Update

Summer Term 1

A huge well done to all of the students who have returned to extra-curricular clubs and worked incredibly hard. This half term has seen the return of our extensive sporting extra-curricular programme, as well as the first extra-curricular fixtures in over a year. It has been brilliant to have our students back in action, representing the school superbly and doing us proud. This update celebrates some of their achievements at the recent athletics fixture.

We are delighted to announce that a new clubs list will be released after the half term. Have a fantastic break!

Hosting County League Athletics at St Albans

On Thursday 20th May, Ridgeway Academy hosted the first county league athletics fixture of the season at Westminster Lodge in St Albans. Schools in attendance included: Bishops Hatfield, Sandringham, Richard Hale, St Columbas, Loreto and Beaumont. This was the first athletics fixture in over two years! It was brilliant to see our athletes return to competitive sport after working tirelessly in after school training sessions. Some highlight results as follows:

U14 Girls

Lucy C – 2nd Place – 300m
Lucy C – 3rd Place – Javelin
Lily C – 3rd Place – Long Jump
Renee B – 3rd Place – Shot Put
Nadia Z – 3rd Place – Discus

U16 Boys

Miller A – 2nd Place – 1500m

U14 Girls

Sara R – 2nd Place – 100m. Sara stepped in to this event at the last minute and did a fantastic job.
Sara R – 2nd Place – Long Jump
Shakira G – 3rd Place – Discus
Charlotte W – 2nd Place – Triple Jump
Abi J – 3rd Place – High Jump
Cleo C – 3rd Place - Javelin



Our students brought a high level of talent and contributed to a fantastic competition, where the opposition schools were extremely strong. All of the students have made us very proud due to all of their efforts. A special mention to the Year 7 and Year 9 students who competed against students older than

them; this is good practice for district athletics and the athletics season next year.

A special mention to all of the staff who assisted the PE Department in ensuring the competition ran smoothly, we could not have done it without you!

Please keep an eye on social media and noticeboards for fixture and team information. Our next athletics fixture is after half term on Thursday 10th May in St Albans.

Year 12 Sports Leaders Update

The Year 12 Sports Leaders have continued to progress on their Level 2 Sports Leaders UK qualification, of which they do every Friday morning during enrichment time.

Since the Christmas break, the students have planned and delivered their own sporting sessions to each other. The students had the scope to plan exactly what they wanted, as long as the session was safe, participants met the objectives of the session and was related to one of the session types: sports day, skill related, teambuilding, etc.

At the end of each session delivered, the students received feedback and evaluated their own performance. Each session was well organised, fun, engaging and delivered professionally.

We now look forward to moving onto the last stage of their scheme of work which will include planning and leading an event and evaluating their performance during the event.



Social Media

Please follow the PE Department/Leadership Academy on social media for news about what we are doing around the school and within the community including fixtures information, lesson information and other interesting links and resources!

Facebook – www.facebook.com/RidgewayPEDept
Instagram – www.instagram.com/RidgewayPEDept/
Twitter – www.twitter.com/ridgewayleaders and www.twitter.com/ridgewaypedept

Mr R Carolan

**Head of the Sports Leadership Academy
School Sports Co-ordinator: PE Department and Family Primary Schools**

Sports Centre Update

We are delighted to now be open for all outdoor bookings for adults and all children's activities including indoor usage. Organised adult sport can return indoors from 17th May 2021 and we hope to have lifted restrictions fully as per the government road map on 21st June 2021.

Tang Soo Do, a traditional Korean Martial Art

We are pleased to welcome Tang Soo Do to Ridgeway every Tuesday starting on June 8th at 5:30-6:30pm. Contact Andrew on 07717832355 to book.

Multi-Active

Multi-Active have now released their summer programme and we are delighted to be hosting them for all 6 weeks of the summer holidays (and May Half Term). To book, please head over to their website:

<https://www.multi-active.co.uk/>



Herts Balance & Ride

Herts Balance & Ride offer cycling lessons for young children, they are back with us on the 3/4th June in Half Term. Keep an eye on our social media for details on how to book.

Pay & Play

We are delighted to announce the return of 11-18 Pay and Play for use of the All-Weather pitch only.



KICKS

The popular KICKS programme is BACK! Run by Stevenage FC Foundation, students can come and play football completely FREE of charge on our Astro pitch with qualified coaches leading the activities. Sessions run every Friday night from 7-8:30, simply turn up to PLAY!

Social Media

Search for Ridgeway Academy Sports Centre on Facebook or @RASportsCentre on Twitter and Instagram for regular updates.

Ross Goodship
Sports Centre Manager

Tel: 01707 351 352

Email: Ross.Goodship@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk



@RASportsCentre



@rasportscentre



@RASportsCentre

The Big Ask Survey for School Pupils

Last month the Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza, launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever survey of children in England. It asks all children about their priorities and concerns for the future, so that the Department for Education can put children at the heart of the national recovery post-COVID-19.



Help your son/daughter have their say - please consider supporting them in completing this survey and make their voice heard. Every single pupil's voice is important. **The deadline for completing the survey is Friday 28th May.**

Hi, my name is Rachel de Souza and I'm the Children's Commissioner for England. My job is to speak up for children in England, stand up for their rights, and make sure that the people in power listen to what children need and want.



Dame Rachel de Souza

It's time to give something big back to young people like you after COVID - and we need your help to do it.

This is the largest ever survey of children and young people in England. We'll use what you tell us to show the government what you think, and what children need to live happier lives.

[This survey will only take you 5-10 minutes.](#)



Families Feeling Safe

Supporting families with Protective Behaviours

ONLINE course
starting
June 2021

A FREE course for Dads,
Step-Dads and Male Carers



Wednesday evenings Online
7.30-9.00pm
9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th June, 7th & 14th July
Sessions will run on Zoom - we can help
you with this

Are you looking for some strategies and new ideas to help improve family life? This course can help you to

- Understand the links between Feelings, Thoughts and Behaviour
- Understand what may be influencing your child's behaviour
- Respond to a range of feelings e.g. stress, anger, anxiety and worries
- Improve communication to build better relationships
- Build on your own and your child's strengths
- Learn strategies to help you and your family feel safe and have problem-solving skills for life

"I wish I had done the course sooner!"



Places are funded by HCC and there are eligibility criteria

For eligibility and to book your FREE place please email: enquiries@familiesfeelingsafe.co.uk

Tel: 07748 332606



SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOPPING SUMMER 2021

Your local branch is St. Albans

131-135 Victoria Street, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL1 3XS

Tel: 01727 853262

31st May – 26th June: Walk-in customers welcome.
Monday – Saturday 9.00am - 5.30pm

28th June – 11th July: Open for walk-in customers
Monday- Friday 9.00am- 3.30pm and then for pre-booked appointments only on Evenings and Weekends.

12th July - 14th August: Open for pre-booked appointments and Click&Collect only

15th August onwards: Walk-in customers welcome.

Please refer to our website for information on extended opening times.

In-store Fitting

Appointments:

Following the success of our service last year, appointments will take the same format this summer. They are recommended for new starters (rather than online ordering) and will be bookable online. Pre-register now, if you don't already have an online account, and we'll send you an email in advance of booking opening.

The recommended appointment window for your school is 26th July until 1st August. Please, where possible, book during this window. This helps us to maximise school specific stock and reduce the time taken to serve you.

Online Ordering:

Our website will continue to operate as normal. **Orders should be placed by Sunday 1st August, to ensure in stock items can be delivered for the start of the autumn term.**

If you choose our 'Click&Collect' service when ordering you can collect, even when our branches are open 'by appointment only'. However, we may need to ask you to queue to pick up your order, while we manage social distancing in our stores.

Customer Services:

Want to talk to a member of our team? Our phone lines are open Monday – Saturday 9am-5.30pm. Your branch contact number is 01727 853262

Safe Shopping

We continue to follow government guidance to provide 'safe shopping' for our customers and staff. So, customers visiting us are kindly asked to wear a mask (over the age of 11), observe social distancing measures and sanitise their hands on entry to our branches. Where possible, payment by credit/debit card is preferred.

120 day returns policy

You can buy now and still be able to exchange unused garments 120 days later if your child has a sudden growth spurt before the start of school.

For more information about us visit
www.stevensons.co.uk

STEVENSONS

SCHOOL UNIFORM OUTFITTERS



Tang Soo Do, a traditional Korean Martial Art

Join our new class on Tuesday Evening, 5.30-6.30pm
Ridgeway Academy. Starting June 8th 2021.

In today's busy world, there are increasing demands and distractions that can keep both children and adults from being at our best. Whether this be social media, gaming, the regular commute or stress and strains of work and everyday living. However, everyone can potentially benefit from regular practice of this martial art.

Through learning its complex pattern of movements and developing class based skills you can develop:

- Physical and mental wellbeing
- Focus and concentration
- Self-discipline and confidence
- Leadership and communication skills

Grand Master Kang UK Lee (10th Dan) and qualified Master Instructors Andrew Lee (6th Dan) and Master Andrew Parsons (4th Dan) are ready to welcome you.

Class £5. Members of Federation (£25) complete all training activities and are fully insured.

Activities include:

- Meditation
- Basic movements
- Hyung (patterns)
- Sparring (no contact)
- Breathing

Learn about the history of Tang Soo Do and bring its benefits to life.

Contact Andrew on 07717832355

*United Kingdom Tang Soo Do Federation
Recognised by Sports England*

Hertfordshire Young People's Helpline



01923 256391

Helpline opening hours:

Mon: 1pm - 4.30pm
Tue: 5pm - 7.30pm
Wed: 1pm - 4.30pm
Thu: 5pm - 7.30pm
Fri: 1pm - 4.30pm
Sat: 10am - 1pm

PAY & PLAY

AGE 11-18

HALF TERM



Tuesday 1st June - Friday 4th June 2021



>All Weather Pitch Usage Only

Groups of 6 or less people

Limited spaces

Please note: We will be unable to give out equipment

CASH PAYMENTS ONLY	ALL PLAYERS MUST PREBOOK	MAX 2 HOUR BOOKING
£1 Per Hour RA Students	£2 Per Hour Students	£3 Per Hour Non-Students
		6th Form, College and Uni students must bring Student ID*
		For booking enquiries: Email: ross.goodship@ridgeway.herts.sch.uk or Contact us via our Social Media Channels below

f /RASportscentre **Instagram** RASportscentre **Twitter** @RASportscentre
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

DSPL | Delivering Special Provision Locally
Achieving quality outcomes
DSPL 5 Welwyn and Hatfield



Online Education Programme for Parents/Carers of secondary school aged young people who are using a CAMHS* Clinic, Step2 or Counselling Service.

* Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

This free course, held over six weeks, will provide you as parents/carers with skills and support to help your child and improve your health and wellbeing.

Learn more about young people's mental health and recovery, effective communication skills, family culture, problem-solving and looking after yourself.

Where: Online over Zoom, start 7pm and finish 9pm.

When: Wednesday's on 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th June and 7th and 14th July.

To book your place, please click on the link below
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/camhsdspl5>

The course is for parents/carers of young people who are experiencing a mental health condition. Please state at time of booking which service your child is using - a CAMHS Clinic, Step2 or Counselling. We have found the course content is not helpful for parent/carers of young people with an autistic spectrum condition.

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Full course details at: www.hertsbalance.uk/course-descriptions

Tuesday June 1st and Wednesday June 2nd

Venue: Tudor Primary School, Hemel Hempstead. HP5 9ER

Thursday June 3rd and Friday June 4th

Venue: The Ridgeway Academy, Welwyn Garden City. AL7 2AF

Cost: £28 for two sessions. £15 for one session.

For more information and to book, go to www.hertsbalance.uk/public-schedule-booking

email phil@hertsbalance.uk or call Phil on 07941 061717.

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BACK TO NETBALL

Date: Mondays from 17th May 2021

Time: 6-7pm

Venue: Ridgeway Academy, Herns Lane,
Welwyn Garden City AL7 2AF

Contact Details: 07834500189
lucy.prestedge@englandnetball.co.uk
Price: £5 - Booking essential

Summer Term 2021

Sun 30 th May	Year 10 & 11 DofE Training Day. On school site and surrounding area. 10am-4pm.
Mon 31 st May - Fri 4 th June	Half Term
Mon 28 th June	Year 7 induction evening
Sat 3 rd and Sun 4 th July	Year 10 and 11 DofE Qualifying Expedition
Wed 7 th July	Extended Learning Day
	Year 10 Martin Van der Spoel - Glia learning
Thurs 8 th July	Secondary Transfer Taster Day
Fri 9 th July	Year 7 Martin Van der Spoel - Glia learning
Wed 21 st July	End of Term

Autumn Term 2021

Wed 1 st Sep	Inset Day (school closed)
	Extended Learning Day
Thurs 2 nd Sep	Back to School
Thurs 16 th Sep	Open Evening
Mon 25 th - Fri 29 th Oct	Half Term
Thurs 25 th Nov	Academic Review Day
Fri 26 th Nov	Occasional Day
Tue 21 st Dec	End of Term