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Week 1

Ridgeway Academy

Headteacher's Message

As we come to the end of a busy term, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our dedicated teaching and support staff for their hard work and commitment to our students.

This term has been packed full of learning, trips and visits, fixtures, student voice and celebration events. Easter holiday subject interventions are scheduled for Year 11 to prepare them in the final weeks before the exams begin – thank you to Mr Pring and Mrs Kemp for their co-ordination and leadership of this work. Thank you to Mr Broad, Miss Watts & Miss Wesson for taking students on the Geography field trip to Dorset.

Congratulations to the Year 8 Football team who won the District Final.

Congratulations to all end of term award winners for their consistent display of our school values.

Congratulations to our newly appointed Student Leadership team.

Finally, thank you to each of you for your support – we wish you a lovely Easter break.



Mrs S Mitcherson
Headteacher



View our latest AAT newsletter here:

[https://
newsletter.albanacademiestrust.org.u
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Head Students 2024/5

I am delighted to announce that we have selected our Student Leadership Team for 2024/5 following a rigorous recruitment process. All Year 12 students were eligible to apply for the role of Head Students, completing a letter of application to do so. On Friday 15th March they had to complete the following tasks so that we could choose the best candidates for the job:

- Presentation to staff at morning briefing
- Presentation to a Year 7 form group
- Interview with Head Teacher, Head of Sixth Form and Sally Parrett, one of our Governors
- Written task in timed conditions

In addition we conducted a staff poll! At the end of the process all of our candidates did incredibly well, making the decision really hard to come to, but the following students were successful.



Mieka Broadwood
D'Souza



Tom Savage

Head Students



Jamie Rodway



Millie Singleton

Deputy Head Students

The quality of candidates was so strong, and their passion to help support the school so clear, that they have been awarded the role of House Captain with a

Head Students continued...

particular focus on student voice across the school. So further congratulations to:

- Ryan Chapman
- Luke Hornsey
- Matt Hornsey
- Kamilla Kurbanova
- Amy Olsen

I'm sure you will wish them every success in their roles. The first Student Leadership Team meeting will be held on Wednesday afternoon so we can start to make plans.

Mrs N Picariello
History Subject Leader / Head of 6th Form

Students of the Week

Each week Heads of Year provide Mrs Mitcherson with students of the week nominations.

These students come out of lesson at 1:10pm on a Friday and make their way to the Headteachers office for a prize (hot chocolate, chocolate bar, cake or ice cream in the summer).

Year 9 - Week commencing 11th March

Aimee A	9A
Poppy W	9H
Dayan I	9L
Kristina L	9M
Dexter R	9P
Ehiz G	9T
Isabella NP	HOY Nomination

Year 10 - Week commencing 18th March

Lauren H	10A
Jaden T	10H
Ella G	10L
Freya H	10M
Thomas C	10P
Matylda L	10T
Lacey M	HOY Nomination

Mr R Nelson
Assistant Headteacher



Top 20 House Points

Top 20 House Point Achievers 13th February to 18th March 2024.

Name	Tutor Group	Points
Johann L	8 Anderson	174
Katie L	8 Anderson	167
Eva H	8 Anderson	165
Sam H	8 Anderson	163
Daisy C	7 Hawking	156
Libby R	9 Lytton	150
Grace D	7 Hawking	144
Jack M	9 Lytton	144
Amilie H	8 Anderson	143
Didi E	8 Anderson	141
Callum H	7 Hawking	141
Larry T	7 Hawking	139
Dantes J	7 Parks	138
Jessie G	7 Hawking	137
Finlay R	7 Hawking	136
Daisy T	7 Lytton	136
Hsian A	9 Lytton	135
Louis T	7 Lytton	135
Maisie N	7 Franklin	133
Anna C	8 Anderson	132



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School Nurses a
Question?**

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Instagram Q&A on the
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Student Competition

Dear Students



As you know we are running a 'Design a new Logo Competition' for our new Trust called Ambition Education Trust. To allow you more time to be creative, we are extending the deadline to the competition until **Monday 22nd April 2024**. You now have until the end of the school day on 22nd April to submit your entries to your Headteacher.

Your Headteacher will then select their Top 3 logo designs and submit them to the Trust Judging Panel for judging alongside entries from other schools within the Trust.

The winning entries will be announced on Friday 29th April.


We look forward to seeing your creativity!

At Ridgeway we are committed to developing a culture where **equality, diversity and inclusion** are **celebrated**



Every **Tuesday lunchtime**, students can meet in **K2**, to discuss how we can promote **Diversity** within our school. We will be asking students and staff to contribute ideas and celebrate the work we do. Students and staff are welcome to come along and support each other.

No need to book. Just turn up.
Miss C Wesson



Every **Thursday lunchtime**, students can meet in **K2**, to discuss **Young Carers** within our school



**Design a new...
LOGO
COMPETITION!**

We are coming together as 10 schools and we need your help to design a logo for our new trust called ...

'Ambition Education Trust' (AET for short)

How to enter:
The Competition is open to **EVERYONE** in our 10 schools, you can submit your entry electronically or in paper formats.

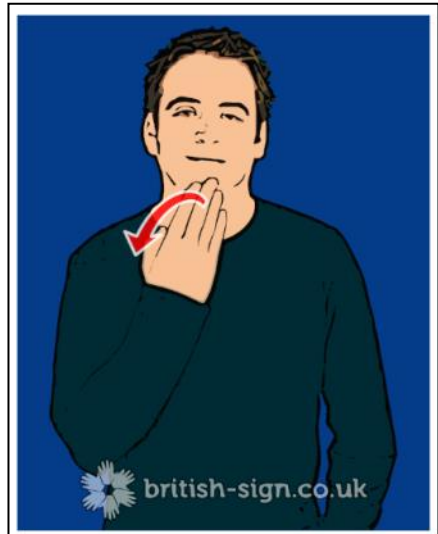
THINK ABOUT:

- Brand identity: the logo should reflect our values of 'Aspire to Educational Excellence for All'
- Simplicity: keep your design simple and memorable for easy recognition
- Versatility: design a logo that looks good across different mediums and sizes, e.g business cards, letterheads, school signage, banners, social media
- Colour schemes: choose colours which compliment and evoke the right emotions

PRIZES:
Will be awarded for top ten entries in Junior and Senior age groups

Entries by: Monday 15th April 2024 (to your Headteacher)

British Sign Language - Sign of the Week



THANK YOU

Flat hand starts with fingertips on chin. Hand moves down and away from signer.

ATTENDANCE

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?



ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Do you know what your attendance was last school week?

Do you know your overall attendance for the year?

Do you know how many school days you have missed this year?

Do you know how many late marks you have this school year?

Make sure you know of this information, you can ask your form tutor for this, and work hard to improve it each week!















Ridgeway Pupils with 100% Attendance - 13th February to 18th March 2024

7 Anderson	Cody C	7 Mandela	Connor L	Lilly R	Kimberley G
Tyler B	Daisy C	Gracie A	Gino T	Kieran S	Kaila-Kelly G
Ethan B	Leo D	Alissia A		Miley T	Alina I
Jaeden C	Grace D	Braidon B	8 Anderson	Jaeden U	Caitlyn M
Max E	Adam G	Harry C	Anna C	Nicholas Z	Ben P
Autumn G	Jessie G	Harrison D	Didi E		Paige R
Rayyan I	Kaydence M	Maia G	Samuel G	8 Mandela	Phoenix R
Lexie-Mai I	Harvey M	Tyler G	Sam H	India A	Frank R
Mason M	Mckenzie M	Ariel I	Amilie H	Dougie BF	Ella-May S
Emily N	Mia R	Kieron K	Johann L	Harvey C	Samuel S
Helen O	Finlay R	Andrei K	Katie L	Leon G	Maika T
Ella T	Max S	Tinashe M	Ellie O	Lexi G	Niamh T
	Lucas V	Alfie N	Libby T	Grace H	Kiera W
	Leo W	Aston-Kai T	Hayden W	Jesse K	
7 Franklin		Evie W		Paige L	9 Anderson
Melody B				Olivia M	Chloe B
Hollie C	7 Lytton		8 Hawking	Chloe M	Charlie B
Artur DS	Ishan A	7 Parks	Faith C	Ruby W	Konnie B
Julia D	Ayden A	Asia-Kai B	Connor F	Lewis W	Clara H
Layland H	Annie B	Harvey C	Lois F	Jayde W	Jasmine H
Ashton H	Theodore B	Brooke F	Gabrielle H		Harley K
Darsi-Bleu K	Jackson B	Olivia H	Timur K	8 Parks	Bright K
Lily L	Summer C	Linus H	Kameron L	Zachary A	Joziah-Ray M
Chloe L	Tegan C	Dantes J	Lola M	Keelie-Ann B	Cameron N
Raphael M	Darcey D	Zachary L	Harrison N	Jayden C	Alexander N
Abdul M	Bianca D	Leah P	Isaac R	Lewis F	Olga P
Maisie N	Nancy F	Alfie P	Grace S	Ryan H	Roisin R
Dylan P	Riley F	Lily R	Ella T	Finn S	
Mishti P	Owen H	Jude R	James T	Henry W	9 Hawking
Theo P	Samuel K	Jaiden S	Owen T		Lauren A
Lucas S	Gabriela K	Zachary T		8 Turing	Molly D
Roxy T	Isabelle M	Nathan W	8 Lytton	Gino A	Gracie D
Zachary T	Alexandru S	Leo W	Kayla A	Amanda B	Dalila F
Lissy T	Daisy T		Bella F	Cameron B	Finley G
	Louis T	7 Turing	Riley H	Lacey C	Archie H
7 Hawking	Eva V	Luke C	Angelina J	Benjamin D	Rhys K
Isaac B		Beloved E	Lashaun K	Jack F	George M
Maisie C		Mia F	Sanjana K		

Dominic M Elizabeth M Amber W	9 Parks Shylah-Malia B Verity B Taylor J Alicja L Niamh M Dexter R Rejoice S Lucas W	10 Hawking Faye B Hakeem B Riley B Isabella C Harry E Ademola G Maia K Jaden T	10 Parks Thomas C Ruby E Sophie G Jasper G Daniel H Charlie J Dejoie J Connor K Ethan N Anna-Mae V	Ethan L Caleb O Daniel S	Xander B Robyn C Callum C Daegan D Alfie J Jonnell M Max M Lucy O Phoebe S
9 Lytton Hsian A Felicity A Luke E Frankie H Amelia H William H George I Jack M Tegan O Libby R Oliver T	9 Turing Violet C Mia D Kacei G Emily H Vladimir R Jamie T Daisy W Sophia W	10 Lytton James D Aiden G Marley G Harley H Macey J Oliver S Ava S	10 Turing Ellie A Evie H Harley S Corby W	11 Hawking Niamh-Lisa B Katie D Theo D Alfie D Jack M Tommy N Rhys S Rebecca W	11 Parks Lucia A Rhys B Ashton C Liam D Jay F Harry F Kaci L Chloe L Morgan L Lewis P Freddie R
9 Mandela Rihan A Ellen A Dexter A Daniel B Eve D Lenny F Eric G Theo K Andy L Jayna R Rafa V	10 Anderson Annabel B Lauren H James M Kobie N Sophie S Amalia T Joseph T	10 Mandela Ethan C Jenson G Maddie H Freya H Oliver H Kyle P Harry W	11 Anderson Max A Archie B James C Cameron C Suleiman D Keira G Maisie H Katie H Eloise H David J	11 Lytton Ryan D Conor D Annie D Shay F Nathan H Evie H Riley J Lenny L Olivia M CJ M Alfie N	11 Turing Archie B Leona C Cameron J Rose K Riley W

House Points

Anderson	Hawking	Lytton	Mandela	Parks	Turing
					
48515	44973	47772	52201	49337	54808
Elizabeth Garrett Anderson was an English physician and suffragist. She was the first woman to qualify as a doctor in Britain and was the founder of the country's first hospital for women.	Stephen Hawking was the noted physicist who contributed deeply to our understanding of the physical world and space, and worked despite suffering from Motor Neurone Disease.	Constance Lytton was the suffragette, writer and speaker who campaigned for prison reform and women's rights under an alias to avoid special treatment due to her family connections.	Nelson Mandela was the first black president of South Africa, who after being imprisoned for twenty seven years, was freed and led a multi-ethnic government to bring an end to apartheid.	Rosa Parks is known as the mother of the civil rights movement after fighting for racial equality in the USA through her leading role in the Montgomery bus boycott, which lasted over a year.	Alan Turing was a mathematician, widely celebrated as the father of computer science after cracking the Enigma Code during WWII. Turing was later subject to discrimination due to his sexuality.
					

Currently in the lead are Turing with 54808 points. Last updated 18.03.2024

Head of Year News

Year 7 - Mrs C Hunt

Year 7 has enjoyed a fantastic half-term! We celebrated various achievements, starting with a rewards party for those who excelled and surpassed expectations. Additionally, our Easter awards assembly highlighted outstanding attendance, form accomplishments, and subject excellence. A special shout out to 7H for earning the most house points and congratulations to all of Year 7 for accumulating the highest number of positive points among all year groups! Well done, everyone!

Year 8 - Mr K Amstutz

Year 8 has once again excelled this half term!

Exceptional effort has been demonstrated by all students across the year group in their lessons and beyond. Year 8 continues to be the most rewarded year group, reflecting their dedication and respect within the school community.

Congratulations to the Year 8 Boys for securing a spot in the District Final for Football this week. Well done!

Year 9 - Miss G Picone

We are thrilled to celebrate the outstanding achievements and remarkable efforts of Year 9 students. It has been a term filled with creativity, engagement and impressive accomplishments across various disciplines.

The English department is particularly delighted by the exceptional display of highly personal and expressive poetry by our Year 9 students.

We commend all our students for their dedication, perseverance and enthusiasm in their students and extracurricular activities. In particular, the girls played exceptionally well against Nobel school. Your hard work does not go unnoticed.

As we enter the Easter break, we encourage our Year 9 students to take some well-deserved rest and relaxation.

Year 10 - Miss N Wilson

Amazing effort in last week's Year 10 basketball finals!

Mocks are coming up after half term, please continue to revise and ask your teachers for further guidance, you are all doing amazing! Keep it up well done!

Year 11 - Mr M Pring

Year 11 received their February Mock exam results this week. There has been a really positive increase in their performance in those mocks in comparison to last November. We are delighted that the hard work that the students are putting in is paying off! Please continue to encourage them to continue the hard work all the way to the summer and we will see a fantastic

set of results across the year group! Well Done Year 11, keep going!

Sixth Form - Mrs N Picariello

Year 12 went on a Consortium trip last Monday to the UCAS exhibition at the Excel Centre in London. Students were able to visit stands from hundreds of Universities and Colleges as well as Degree Level Apprenticeships. They got their questions answered, picked up loads of tote bags and pens as well as prospectuses and were hopefully inspired about their next steps after Ridgeway Academy.

Year 13 are busy with revision at present as well as putting the finishing touches to coursework and final submissions. We have lots of excellent University offers being finalised and giving the final push to achieve the best grades possible in the Summer to make those dreams a reality. We are here to support you every step of the way Y13 - please shout if you need anything!

School Vacancies

The school is currently recruiting for the following roles:

Teacher of MFL Spanish/French (Spanish preferable)

Closing Date: 9:00am Tuesday 16th April 2024
Start Date: September 2024

Director of Mathematics

Closing Date: 9:00am Tuesday 16th April 2024
Start Date: September 2024

Cover/Learning Supervisor

Closing Date: 9:00am Tuesday 16th April 2024

Assistant Subject Leader of Science

Closing Date: 9:00am Tuesday 16th April 2024
Start Date: September 2024

Subject Leader of Religious Studies

Closing Date: 9:00am Tuesday 16th April 2024

Teacher of Drama

Closing Date: 9:00am Tuesday 16th April 2024
Start Date: September 2024

Exam Invigilator

Closing Date: 9:00am Tuesday 30th April 2024

Science Technician

Closing Date: 9:00am 22nd April 2024

For more information visit:

<https://ridgeway.herts.sch.uk/vacancies/>

Mrs K Biss
Human Resources Officer

British Science Week


In March it was the 30th anniversary of British Science Week, and this year's theme celebrated the passing of time since the Week began, while looking forward to the many British Science Weeks to come. At Ridgeway, our science week involved 4 different lessons based on the theme of Time.

To kick it all off, we went back in time to the age of the dinosaurs and made our own fact file on our favourite dinosaurs – some of which can be seen in this article! Next, we joined Darwin on his adventures to the Galapagos Islands, where he came up with the Theory of Evolution. Our classes even became the finches that he researched closely and took part in a battle over different types of food to witness the 'survival of the fittest' in action.

Unleashing their creativity, our students researched medical discoveries over time - writing and directing their own drama piece to show how these ideas have advanced to become the medical practices we use today. Last but not least, we used our holistic knowledge of the world to answer the question: what actually is time? We had to look to the skies for this one, and in answering this question, we made our very own Nocturnals which allowed us to use the stars to tell the time!


We are very much looking forward to next year's science week to see what else we can get up to!

Dinosaur FACT FILE

Name: <i>aplodocus</i>	
	Period: <i>cretaceous</i> <i>41million</i>
	Size and weight: 26m 15000kg.
	Habitat: <i>america</i>
	Diet: leaves from trees and soft plants.
Other interesting facts: Diodocous could chew and had small, peg like teeth. They had really small brains	

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Dinosaur FACT FILE

Name: <i>Stegosaurus</i>	
	Period: Stegosaurus' were around 150 million years ago (late Jurassic period)
	Size and weight: The average Stegosaurus was about 30 feet long, between 9 and 13 feet tall, weighed about 5.5 tons (11,000 pounds) & had a very small brain!
	Habitat: Stegosaurus supposedly lived in semi-dry areas of land with alternating dry and wet seasons. They also dwelt in flat flood areas and fern-dominated savannas.
	Diet: Stegosaurus ate gastrophys small stones that ground its favourite vegetables up in its stomach. It ate plants such as mosses, ferns, horseads, cycads and conifers or fruits.
Other interesting facts: The spines on their back fill with blood and change to red when they are in danger to scare off predators.	

Miss A Atkins
Teacher of Science

Neurodiversity Support Hub

For Parents, Carers and Professionals

We can offer support, signposting and guidance about a whole range of things including but not limited to:

- Understanding ADHD/Autism
- Distressed Behaviours
- Anxiety
- School

The phones are answered by our team of parents and carers of neurodivergent children and young people



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 - Give updates/ fast track places on waiting lists
 - Recommend specific private assessors



Support for Parents

Positive Impacts of Digital Devices on Mental Wellness:

- Increased feelings of self-efficacy through learning new tasks.
- Expanded sense of community, especially through gaming.
- Decreased depression by providing distraction, though entertainment screen time should be moderated.

Negative Impacts of Digital Devices on Mental Wellness:

- Risk of depression from excessive screen time leading to isolation.
- Disruption of sleep patterns due to exposure to blue light.
- Decreased self-esteem from social comparison on social media platforms.
- Reduction in physical activity and exercise opportunities.
- Exposure to cyberbullying, particularly for young users.

Tips to Minimize Negative Impact of Screen Time:

- Balance screen time with extracurricular activities.
- Implement screen-free bedrooms and limit screen usage to common areas.
- Supervise children's screen time and maintain open communication.
- Schedule designated times to unplug from digital devices.
- Allocate time for physical movement and exercise to counteract sedentary screen time.

Conclusion:

- Acknowledges the benefits and drawbacks of digital device usage.
- Emphasizes the importance of understanding and managing screen time for mental wellness.
- Encourages mindful usage to ensure digital devices enrich rather than detract from life and well-being.

Mrs M Tinker
Assistant Headteacher

Student Learning Expectations

Standards for Learning

Ridgeway Routines must be consistently conformed to:

- Full uniform, worn correctly at all times - top buttons, blazers, no black jumpers which aren't Ridgeway logo
- Students are equipped and ready for learning
- All students stand behind chairs in silence at the start of lessons
- Green pen REACT or Recall starters are completed in silence EVERY LESSON
- Students must be on time to all lessons. Sanctions issued for more than 5 minutes late - C3
- All students stand behind chairs in silence for a uniform check before leaving the classroom row by row

Equipment

Students must be prepared for learning - **every lesson, every day.** Form Tutors will check full equipment **each morning** during form time. It will be a school standards focus for the next two weeks.

All students must have the following equipment:

- Two black pens
- Two pencils
- A green pen
- Pencil sharpener
- Rubber
- Ruler
- Glue stick
- Pair of compasses
- Scientific calculator (preferably Casio Classwiz)



Consequences

C1 will be logged for a lack of equipment (daily).

3 x C1 within a week will result in a C3.

Tutors will be communicating with parents regarding missing equipment

Equipment can be purchased from reception where necessary

Parents will be communicated with to ensure they ensure all students are equipped and ready to learn

Support may be given to families who may be struggling with providing equipment through contacting their Head of Year

The Ridgeway

- Holding high standards of uniform and equipment is the easiest way to show your teachers you are ready and willing to learn.
- Having respect for yourself and ensuring you are ready to learn is one of the most important things you can do at school
- School is for learning and every lesson counts - this means **arriving on time, with correct uniform and equipment, with the correct mindset.**
- Missing equipment slows learning down and causes unnecessary conflict with teachers

It is the Ridgeway to be prepared for learning and take responsibility for this!

Mrs L Hyde
Deputy Headteacher

Subject Focus - Personal Development

Year 7

Year 7 are currently studying 'Future Me' where they are learning about budgeting and saving. These lessons equip them with valuable skills they will need for economic wellbeing. Introducing these life skills early on allows students to start developing responsibility with finances and money management in the future. Questions to ask: What is important to consider when budgeting? Why is saving important? How can I reduce my spending?



Year 8

Year 8 are studying 'Creative Me' where they are exploring how to problem solve and create a business. They look into ideas for product design, making a brand and how to present their ideas. This introduces students to entrepreneurial and enterprising skills engaging their creative minds for the future. Questions to ask: What are the positives and negatives of being your own boss? What are the potential risks of starting a new business? What are the creative aspects of entrepreneurship?

Year 9

Year 9 are currently studying 'Healthy Me' where they are learning vital life skills in first aid and life support. Training students in first aid helps them to feel more secure and confident to deal with emergency situations they may encounter and could potentially save a life. In these lessons students learn what to do when someone is unresponsive, how to administer CPR and the "Three Ps". Questions to ask: How should you assess a casualty? How do you perform CPR? When should you call 999?



Year 10

Year 10 are studying 'Social Me' looking into social justice and gender equality. These lessons help students explore the importance of fairness and equity in society. The lessons emphasise the safety and security of individuals and communities. Questions to ask: Why is it important that everyone is treated with respect and dignity? Why is fairness important in society?

Year 11

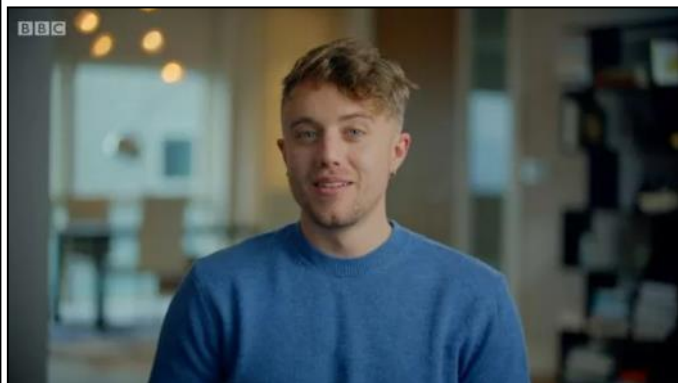
Year 11 are currently studying 'Future Me' participating in lessons on resilience, independent living, and our environment. This will help equip students with important skills for their exams and later life. Resilience during the upcoming exam period is crucial so they are learning how to develop quality sleep, manage stress and anxiety and how to effectively plan for revision. Questions to ask: How do I make plans for College or University? How can I make healthy choices for myself? How do I make positive life decisions?

6th Form

Year 12 & 13 are studying topics related to risk and personal safety. Looking into issues relating to the potential dangers of alcohol such as alcohol abuse, drink spiking and drink driving. The 6th form also covers content related to respectful relationships which focuses on friends and family, online personal safety, power differences in relationships and identifying toxic behaviours. These lessons are designed to safeguard students as they gain more independence moving into post-compulsory education and training.

Change of Context Lesson

This half term we are focusing on mental wellbeing. In this lesson DJ and TV personality Roman Kemp talks about his own experiences with mental health and how he found support. In a BBC video shown in the lesson an expert from Childline offers advice on positive mental wellbeing, how to effectively manage low moods and signposts support that is available in school, locally and nationally.



Mrs L Campbell
Teacher of Social Science & English / Personal Development Lead

Sports Centre News

Rambino's Coffee to Go!

Please read the recent article in Welwyn Hatfield Times:

<https://www.whtimes.co.uk/news/24102204.welwyn-garden-city-meet-rambinos-coffee-owner-jason/>

We are delighted that Rambino's Coffee have now started to serve hot drinks at Ridgeway Academy during our community time in the evenings and weekends.



We felt this was something we were missing from what we offer the community so we were delighted to work with Rambino's to get this off the ground.

You may recognise the founder of Rambino's, Jason from his work in the local primary schools over the last 20 years so it will be a familiar face making the delicious coffees!

Opening hours will vary to meet demand, so be sure to keep an eye out in the next few weeks. The pod will be situated just outside the Sports Centre, go and say hello to Jason and see what Rambino's have to offer!

Currently, we are expecting the pod to be open on a Tuesday and Friday evening and during the morning on Saturday/Sunday. Over time this will hopefully increase to more evenings. You can find them on social media: @rambinoscoffee

Community Sessions at Ridgeway Academy

There is so much going on at Ridgeway Academy, with over 1,000 people taking part in community based sessions during the evenings, weekends and holiday periods. We were very pleased to welcome

A promotional poster for 'Premier League Kicks' in partnership with Stevenage FC Foundation. It features the Premier League logo and text: 'PREMIER LEAGUE KICKS', 'RIDGEWAY ACADEMY SPORTS CENTRE, HERNS LANE, WELWYN GARDEN CITY, AL7 2AF', 'EVERY FRIDAY, 8-9:00PM', and 'FREE FOOTBALL FOR 8-18 YEAR OLDS'. It includes a QR code and social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter with the hashtag #SFCFKICKS. The bottom left has the Premier League Kicks logo.

Strive Football Academy in October Half Term for the first time. Coaching is delivered by UEFA qualified, ex-Tottenham player Jesse Waller Lassen. They will be running in Easter so visit <https://strivefootballacademy.com/> for further information.

Barracudas will again be joining us in Easter – to book, please visit: <https://www.barracudas.co.uk/camps/welwyn/> We are pleased to share an exclusive Ridgeway parent discount code!

A colorful advertisement for Barracudas School Holiday Childcare. It features a group of children at the top. The main text says 'SCHOOL HOLIDAY CHILDCARE EXCLUSIVE PARENT DISCOUNT!' and 'USE CODE: HSCP24'. Below this, it lists 'APPLY CODE FOR AN EXTRA: £20 off a week, £4 off a day'. The ad includes a QR code and the website 'Visit barracudas.co.uk or call 01430 467 567'. The Barracudas logo is at the bottom right.

Welwyn Garden City Youth FC are pleased to announce their new TIKA-TAKA Mini sessions for children aged 4-7. They take place on our brand new 3G every Saturday morning from 9-10am. Full details

A poster for 'WELWYN GARDEN CITY YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB' Mini-Soccer Sessions. It features large, stylized 'TIKA-TAKA' text in blue and pink. Below the text, it says 'FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 4-7', 'Contact Luke Marshment', '07958 486 568', 'admin@wgcyouthfc.co.uk', 'RIDGEWAY ACADEMY 3G', and 'SATURDAY 9 - 10AM'. A price tag of '£6' is shown next to a soccer ball. The poster includes illustrations of children playing soccer and the club's crest.

can be found on the poster. Stevenage FC Foundation are still running their FREE Premier League KICKS programme every Friday night from 8-9pm on our brand new 3G pitch. Full details can be found on the poster.

We are pleased that Lucy Hunt School of Dance will again be running 2 dates over the Easter Holidays in our Main Hall. Full details can be found on the poster.

Lucy Hunt School of Dance

Welwyn Dates @ Ridgeway Academy

- 4th April 2024 - Aladdin
- 9th April 2024 - Barbie

Bedford Dates

- 5th April 2024 - Aladdin @ Biddenham Pavillion
- 10th April 2024 - Barbie @ Stagsden Village Hall

Easter Camp 2024 Welwyn & Bedford
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Barbie

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Lucy Hunt SCHOOL OF DANCE

A fun filled day full of dancing, singing, arts and crafts & glitter!

For a full list of facilities available, list of our hirers and more, please visit <https://ridgeway.herts.sch.uk/sports-centre-bookings/>

3G Availability

Our state-of-the-art 3G facility, laid in summer 2022 is a perfect space for Football training and is equipped with various size goals.

We have some limited, regular availability on a Monday and Friday, please see full details on the poster or feel free to email: GoodshipR@ridgeway.aat.school

3G All Weather Pitch Available

MONDAY | 5 - 6 PM | 1 / 3

FRIDAY | 5 - 6 PM | 1 / 3

PRICE

1/3 for £42.00

VAT NOT Included

Please email: GoodshipR@ridgeway.aat.school to book today!





Dance Studio Availability

We also have some very limited availability in our Sports Centre Dance Studio – full details can be found on the advert.

Dance Studio Available

FRIDAY SLOTS

4 PM - 5 PM	£32.00
5 PM - 6 PM	£32.00
6 PM - 7 PM	£32.00
7 PM - 8 PM	£32.00
8 PM - 9 PM	£32.00

TUESDAY SLOTS

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	£32.00
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM	£32.00
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM	£32.00

Long Term Booking Rate Available!

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Mr R Goodship
Sports Centre Manager

Vista
St Albans Plus Schools' Partnership

DSPL7 Delivering Special Provision Locally

The Hub

ASC/SEND Coffee Mornings

Vista St Albans are hosting coffee mornings with a School Family Worker to help support Parents/ Carers of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, diagnosed or not. This is an informal and safe place for Parents/ Carers to share information and chat.

Running alongside our coffee mornings, there will also be the opportunity to pre-book an appointment with a member of staff from the SEND Specialist Advice and Support Service (These sessions are for ASC advice).
Times available are: 9.30am, 10.00am, 11.00am and 11.30am


Time: Coffee Morning starts at 9.15am until 11.00am (no need to book)

Venue: The Hub, Fleetville Junior School, 228 Hatfield Road, St Albans, AL1 4LW (The Hub is situated to the right hand side of the School building)

For more information about this service or to book an appointment please call Vista/St Albans Plus on 01727 519128
Email: vistastalbans@gmail.com

Dates:
Wednesday 29th November
Wednesday 31st January 2024
Wednesday 13th March 2024
Wednesday 8th May 2024
Wednesday 26th June 2024

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School Term and Holiday Dates 2024

SUMMER TERM 2024

Monday 15 th April	Start of Term
Friday 3 rd May	Early closing 12:15pm
Monday 6 th May	Bank and Public Holiday
Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st May	Half Term
Sunday 23 rd - Wednesday 26 th June	Year 10 Geography field trip to Wales/Bristol
Friday 28 th June	Year 11 Prom Knebworth Barns
	School of Hard Knocks Trip
Saturday 29 th - Sunday 30 th June	Bronze DofE Expedition
Monday 1 st July	Year 12 Careers Conference
Monday 8 th to Friday 12 th July	Enrichment Week
Sunday 7 th - Wednesday 10 th July	Year 9 Geography field trip to Wales/Bristol
Monday 8 th to Friday 12 th July	Work Experience Year 10
Thursday 11 th July	Secondary Transfer Taster Day
Friday 19 th July	Last Day of Term
Monday 22 nd July	Shadow Inset Day (school closed)
Tuesday 23 rd July	Shadow Inset Day (school closed)
Wednesday 24 th July	Shadow Inset Day (school closed)

PROVISIONAL School Term and Holiday Dates 2024-25

AUTUMN TERM 2024

Monday 2 nd September	Start of Term
Monday 28 th October - 1 st November	Half Term
Friday 20 th December	Last Day of Term

SPRING TERM 2025

Monday 6 th January	Start of Term
Monday 17 th - Friday 21 st February	Half Term
Friday 4 th April	Last Day of Term

SUMMER TERM 2025

Tuesday 22 nd April	Start of Term
Monday 26 th - Friday 30 th May	Half Term
Friday 18 th July	Last Day of Term

