



**RIDGEWOOD SCHOOL** 

NEWSLETTER

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# SPORT I

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Football

The Ridgewood U13 team travelled to Mansfield on Tuesday 20 February to take on All Saints Catholic School.

The game was very even, with Ridgewood looking the better team in the first half, but they went into half-time drawing 1-1. Both goalkeepers were excellent – Jess made a fantastic save at her near post to keep Ridgewood in the game. With two minutes to go, All Saints managed to grab a winner and followed this up with a very long shot to make it 3-1. A tough loss but the team played really well! The Girls' Football Team won both games against McAuley Catholic High School when they played on Wednesday 13 March. The Y9/10 team won 5-0. Well done to Player of the Match, Isabella! The Y7/8 team won 4-0. All players were brilliant and it was an excellent team performance!

Well done to the Y8 Boys' Football Team, who secured a 6-2 win against Rossington in their fixture!





The Girls' Football Team took part in 'The Biggest Ever Football Session', with more than 465,000 girls playing across the country! They were also joined by Luke from Active Fusion and our Year 12 Sports students.







The Netball Team travelled to Hall Cross on Monday 26 February for the Y8 Netball tournament. Despite a few losses, the girls stayed positive throughout and never stopped smiling. Well done, girls!





The Year 7 and 8 netballers played Hayfield on Tuesday 12 March. It was a tough match but no sad faces here! It was brilliant to see so many girls playing netball and developing their skills and teamwork. It is great that we have our older students supporting in a coaching role and developing their umpiring skills as well!



On Wednesday 28 February, our cheer squad, the Ridgewood Rockets, joined cheerleading squads from Campsmount and XP to take part in a collaborative workshop. They demonstrated excellent performance and flyer skills, and it was great to see all students sharing their skills and working together.





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## Athletics

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Well done to the Athletics team who attended the Doncaster Indoor Athletics Championships at Sheffield EIS!





### PE Stars this half-term

#### Lois in 10C

for outstanding work in Cambridge National.

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#### Theo in 8F

for his commitment to extracurricular Sport! Theo scored in the football game on Thursday, won his athletics event at the Doncaster Indoor Athletics Championships and even ran in the Y10 relay race. Well done, Theo!

#### Rihanna in 8B

for excellent performance and leadership skills in cheerleading lessons this term.

#### Amelia in 12C

for your excellent exam results.



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# **EVENTS**

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# World Book Day

There was a full week of activities to celebrate World Book Day!

It was amazing to see so many students in the library buying books, trying their luck on the tombola and completing the treasure hunt of characters.

A huge amount of effort went into making it an incredible World Book Day. Thank you to all the staff and students who took part!













# High Sheriff Award

Tuesday 20 February marked a historic day as The Work-wise Foundation hosted the first ever High Sheriff Award: 'Building a Better Future Together' at Magna Science Adventure Centre!

They welcomed over 100 students from schools across South Yorkshire who showcased their incredible creativity and ingenuity. Together, they envisioned and crafted innovative inventions aimed at advancing STEM development and shaping a brighter tomorrow!

Congratulations to all the participants for their hard work and dedication.







# National Careers Week

Ridgewood had a great week celebrating National Careers Week!

Throughout the week, students were involved in PDP sessions, assemblies, employer engagement, apprenticeship support, one-to-one guidance, higher education virtual tours, and received work experience and internship support.

#### TIME TO FOCUS ON WHAT YOUR FUTURE COULD BE



# **British Science Week**

We believe that the future of STEM is as vibrant and diverse as the people who • make up this field. Therefore, in association with British Science Week, students were involved in a number of different activities and experiments.

Students in KS3 Science worked in teams to design, create and test ethanol-powered rockets. They competed against each other to see which rocket had the longest flight time and made parachutes to measure the rockets' descent.





# **NEWS** AT RIDGEWOOD SCHOOL

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## **Prom Tickets**

Congratulations to our first group of Y11 students who have qualified for the school prom! There are now over 150 students who have met the criteria to purchase their prom ticket. Well done!

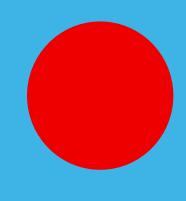






# We raised £760.45!

Ridgewood held a non-uniform day on Friday 15 March to raise money for Comic Relief. Thank you to everyone who donated to our fundraising.















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# TRIPS AT RIDGEWOOD SCHOOL

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# Iceland

Some of our Y10, 11 and 13 students, along with the Geography department, recently visited Iceland! Students enjoyed an afternoon at the Sky Lagoon, had a trip into Reykjavík and visited waterfalls, geysers, and glaciers.

Students were fantastic and a credit to the school. Mr Marcus and the Geography department would like to thank the students who visited Iceland for their amazing behaviour and engagement. Our place of accommodation, Skalinn, said that our students were some of the most polite they have ever had.



We observed stunning waterfalls and amazing coastal landscapes, while also learning about Geology and the challenges of living in an active volcanic landscape. It was nice to hear that students did not want to leave and we are excited to offer the same opportunity to our current Y10 and Y12.

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## National Football Museum

Well done to form 7H who were the winners of the 'Ridgewood Games', which took place during Y7 PE lessons. As a reward, students in 7H had the opportunity to visit the National Football Museum in Manchester!



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# Important Dates Next Half-Term

April - May 2024

#### Ski Trip

Saturday 30 March – Saturday 6 April

**Return to School** Monday 15 April

**iSing Event at Doncaster Dome** Wednesday 24 April

**Student Leadership Event** Wednesday 1 May

Bank Holiday Monday 6 May **Start of Public Exams** Tuesday 7 May

**Y10 Geography Trips to Sheffield** Wednesday 15 May, Thursday 16 May & Friday 17 May

**Y9 SLB & ACWY Vaccines** Tuesday 21 May

**Break up for half-term** Friday 24 May



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