Ridgeway RAP
February 25, 2016

Unit News

Unit A  Thank you for participating in Parent Teacher Student conferences! Our next Munch and Read is Friday, March 4.

Unit B  We enjoyed visiting with our students’ families at conferences this week. Thank you for all you do to support your child’s education!

Unit C  We enjoyed seeing our families at conferences. Thank you for being respectful of conference times. In the next few weeks we will be getting ready for Fun Day, Biz-Town and a visit from the Steam Bus in Science. Make sure to check in with the RAP, your child’s To Do List, and your child for updates.

Women In Science History Tour
Come join a fun tour of Women in Science History. Children and their parents will be able to explore multiple exhibits of important women who made historic changes to science. The event is next Tuesday, March 1 starting at 6 pm- 9 pm. West Lafferre Main Hall. Enter through 6th street doors. Come learn about important women that made science possible today. Enjoy refreshments and have fun with the Women in Engineering Student Board!

Ridgeway Family Skate Night is Tonight! Come have fun and exercise with the Ridgeway family AND help a good cause. Skating is $6 per person with $1 going to Second Chance, a charity chosen by Student Council. If you want to bring your own skates, they must be very clean. In-line skates are extra. Special for this time only - one FREE soda and popcorn per skater! This event is reserved for Ridgeway students and their families only. Please be sure an adult is present to supervise your children during the skate party to help keep all skaters safe.

When: Thursday, February 25, 2016 (no school Friday, February 26)
Where: Empire Roller Rink, 1305 Business Loop 70 E
Times: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Unit A
7:30 pm to 9 pm Units B & C (NEW TIMES BECAUSE OF CONFERENCES)

***Special for this time only – each skater receives one free soda and popcorn.***

Come to our Scholastic Book Fair!
Where? In the Media Center during Parent Teacher Conferences
When?    Thursday, February 25, 2:50-6:00 pm
            Friday, February 26, 8:00-10:00 am
Why?  This is a great chance to stock up books for spring and summer reading! There will be a wide selection of books for readers of all ages.

If you can’t stop by, we will also have an on-line fair, open February 20 - 29, available at: http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/ridgewayelementaryschool4
**Principal's Pen** FunDay is quickly approaching. If you have been around Ridgeway for a few years, you know that preparations are well underway. For newer families, you might be wondering how to get involved. In another article in this RAP, there is a link to the volunteer sign-up. Many, many volunteers are needed to help FunDay run smoothly. Please sign up early to get the spot you want. We welcome grandparents, aunts, and uncles too.

This weekend, I’m planning to do a little ‘spring cleaning’ around my house. I know that we have some toys that will be perfect to save for the Country Store at FunDay and some books to donate for the Cake/Book Walk. Donations for the Country Store and the Book Walk can be brought to school during the week of March 7-11. Thank you for helping Ridgeway!

**Yearbook order forms** Yearbooks are $5.50. Please complete the order form and return no later than March 1! The yearbook is a gift for all fifth graders from PTSA. Fifth grade parents do not need to complete a form!

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**Ridgeway Calendar**

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<td>Week of March 7 to 11</td>
<td>Spirit Week! daily activities will be posted in the RAP!</td>
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<td>PAC 6:00; PTSA 6:30</td>
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<td>Thursday, March 10</td>
<td>Kindergarten Registration 4:00 -6:00</td>
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<td>Saturday, March 12</td>
<td>FUN DAY 10:00-2:00</td>
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<td>Thursday, March 17</td>
<td>Drama Club Rehearsal 6:00 Performance 7:00</td>
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<td>March 28 to April 1</td>
<td>Spring Break</td>
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**Summer SUnsation**

**ABCD Calendar**

- Monday, February 29 ~ A
- Tuesday, March 1 ~ B
- Wednesday, March 2 ~ C
- Thursday, March 3 ~ D
- Friday, March 4 ~ A

Please remember that the day your child has PE, they must wear tennis shoes to class.
VOLUNTEER SIGN UP READY!
You've been asking how you can help on FunDay. Now is the time to sign up. If you are available to work a 2 hours game shift on FunDay it would be greatly appreciated. It takes approximately 125-150 volunteers the day of FunDay to run all the activities. Please remember we ask Unit A students to remain with an adult during FunDay. If you can't help out the day of or won't be able to be at FunDay but would still like to help in some way, this link also contains items we need to run the games, such as a batteries, combs, etc. Sign up now to get your favorite spot. http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090849afac2c7-funday1

Another FunDay Serving Opportunity....
-Do you have a computer at home with Publisher (or some other design program) and five hours to spare the week of Fun Day? If so, we could use your help updating the banner hung in the cafeteria/gymnasium on Fun Day? This is the year to learn the job to take over the following year. It primarily involves updating the donor names and sending to be printed. If you have more time to volunteer, this position could also prepare the ad sheet for Fun Day as well. It's a perfect job for someone who wants to help in some way and is design savvy and would prefer to volunteer from home. If so, please email lizette_somer@hotmail.com, brandi.daffron@gmail.com, or aprilferrao@gmail.com

-Prize Patrol committee needs someone to shadow Sarah McAnelly this year to learn the ropes to take over in the future. This committee is responsible for buying the various prizes given out for the games on FunDay as well replenishing the prizes in the game rooms during the event. If you are interested in the position or would like more details, please contact any of the Fun Day Co-Chairs (aprilferrao@gmail.com, brandi.daffron@gmail.com or lizette_somer@hotmail.com).

From the Kitchen Committee ~
KITCHEN SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR FUN DAY.

**Unit A**
- Hanney - Rectangular divided Styrofoam plates
- Lyman - 48 oz plastic jars of plain Applesauce
- Shull - 48 oz plastic jars of plain Applesauce
- Wheatley - 48 oz plastic jars of plain Applesauce

**Unit B**
- Sandstedt - Paper Towels
- Johnson - Ranch Dressing in squeezable bottles
- Molloy - Ranch Dressing in squeezable bottles
- Gramke - Creamy Peanut Butter or Squeezable Concord Grape Jelly

**Unit C**
- Cox-Squeezable pickle relish (small bottles)
- Dempsey - Mustard (small 10 oz plastic bottles)
- Williams - Ketchup (small 8 oz plastic bottles)

**BIG DRAWING TICKETS:**
Even though the deadline for entry into the Golden Ticket Raffle has past you can still keep selling and turning in Big Drawing tickets for a chance to win one of the many awesome packages. If you need more tickets, you may get them in the office, or print your own at home by following this link: http://64.195.3.180/RidgewayBigTicketDrawing/

Tickets are $1.00 a piece or 6 for $5.00. When turning in your tickets be sure to send your money as well. Money turning in for Big Drawing MUST be separate from Lunch/Game tickets. We can not accept checks with amounts that include Big Drawing purchases AND lunch/game ticket purchases.