From Unit A

Thank you to everyone who contributed to and attended our Winter Party as well as the first Munch and Read of 2017! We had a great time!

From Unit B

We are working on narrative writing. It would be helpful if you could help your child think of some things that they might want to write a story about. You might make a list of story ideas that your child can keep in their writing binder. You might make a list of places you’ve been together, activities that you enjoy doing together, special events, funny stories, etc.

From Unit C

We are excited to host our student teacher, Ms. Sandy Chaidez! She will be working in Mrs. Cox’s classroom. Ms. Chaidez has two dogs, loves working out and is happy to work with Unit C students! An introduction letter will be sent home with your student today for more information.

From Beth McClure and Columbia College...

We are back from Winter break and up and running! This semester we have four new teacher candidates. Sandy Chaidez is with Mrs. Cox, McKenzie Gamache is with Mrs. Malloy, Kelsey Almond is with Mrs. Shull, and Taylor Booher is with Mrs. Hanney.

Dr. Paul Hanna has started a new reading class with Columbia College students. The class meets at Ridgeway on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings. The Columbia College students are primarily juniors preparing to be teachers. They will work with Ridgeway students during reading classes.

Another exciting addition to our partnership with Columbia College is that Dr. Ann Schlemper has started teaching a Math class here at Ridgeway. The class is on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons in our Art room. The Columbia College students will be observing in our math classes and creating math activities that will help strengthen Ridgeway students’ math skills.

Beth McClure-Instructional Coach
Ridgeway Elementary & Columbia College
What is Fun Day?

Fun Day is Ridgeway's one and only fundraiser of the year and culminates in a carnival-type event in the spring. This annual event has been going on for over 34 years.

Save the date for a fun family day on Saturday, March 11 from 10AM – 2PM.

On the actual day the classrooms are transformed to fun game and activity rooms for the kids. There is something for everyone from a Toddler Room to a Country Store (an indoor garage sale) to Jupiter's Landing to the ever popular EnviroMaze. There's even a Silent Auction for the adults with a wide range of services and products for bidding.

At the end of the day, we hold the Big Drawing in the cafeteria pulling raffle tickets from our large tumbler. Big Drawing packages are different every year but in the past have included spa packages, date night packages, Branson entertainment tickets and getaway, iPad mini, and many other great packages.

From now until March 11th, you will see more information on Fun Day and ways you can get involved. Information will be included in the RAP, your child's Friday folder, ParentLink, and Ridgeway's PTSA Facebook page. You may also contact us with any questions as well.

Your Fun Day Co-Chairs,
Brandi Daffron and Lizette Somer
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Art Fair /Talent Show Night

Students will soon begin working on their artwork for the Art Fair. Unit A is doing 100 days of school with 100 year old self portrait collages. Unit B will be working on portraits as well, with a twist! Unit C is doing manga inspired portraits of either an animal or person. Look for information regarding volunteering to help with Art Fair and Talent Show night. This event will take place on January 26 from 5:30-7:00 P.M.

Ridgeway Talent Show

Does your child like to dance, play the viola or sing their favorite song over and over again? If so, then the Ridgeway Talent Show is a great place to showcase your child's star qualities.

The Ridgeway Talent Show will be held during the Art Fair on Thursday, January 26 at 6:15 pm in the Ridgeway gym. This event will be a low stress casual environment to show off your child’s talent.

Ideas for Talent Show entries may include singing, playing an instrument, dancing, magic tricks, reading poems and telling jokes. To enter your child(ren) for the talent show please email the following information to v_freed@yahoo.com as soon as possible but no later than 1/25/16: Participant Name(s), Unit and parent’s email along with a title for the entry and brief description. Performances will be limited to 3 minutes. A confirmation email will be sent for each entry form received.

Questions? Contact Valerie Freed at v_freed@yahoo.com.