

10th September 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Year 6 Students,

Re: Open Events at Ridgewood High School

I am delighted to invite you to join us at one of our open events in the coming weeks. Choosing a secondary school for your child is both an exciting and a daunting time for the family and can feel like a weighty decision. We would love to show you what we have to offer to help you with this choice. Students and staff at Ridgewood are very proud of our school and we enjoy the opportunity to show it off! In August 2022 and 2024, Ridgewood achieved our best ever results with students making great progress. We were delighted to be recognised by Ofsted as a 'Good' school in every category in July 2023.

Open Mornings show a normal working day at Ridgewood. You will visit lessons and see most of the school guided mainly by students with the opportunity to speak to key members of staff afterwards such as the Senior Leadership Team and the SEND team. If you want to join us for one of our Open Mornings on 20th, 23rd, 24th or 27th September, you will need to be at our school main reception by 9.15am. The tour will finish at approximately 10.45am. Parents may wish to come alone or bring their Year 6 child with them.

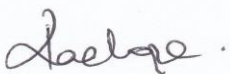
Our Open Evening on Wednesday 18th September will give you the opportunity to talk to more of our students and see what they can do in all the subject areas. You will have a tour of the school and listen to speeches from myself and our Head Prefects. The Headteacher talk will be run twice (6pm and 8pm) to ensure that all visitors can have a good tour of the school. Throughout the evening Senior Staff and Faculty Heads will be around the school for you to ask questions. Please be aware that our classroom experiences will be open from 6pm – 8.30pm.

We expect all our students to develop into confident, articulate young people who can meet new people and have good eye contact with them. Our students are frequently praised for being so friendly and welcoming. Please make sure that if you experience a tour on any of your visits, you ask our students plenty of questions, so they can practise their skills!

If you have any specific questions or worries that you don't manage to answer on your visit, please do contact us on primary@ridgewood.dudley.sch.uk or ring us on 01384 818445. We also have plenty of information on our website.

I look forward to welcoming you; Ridgewood is a great place to work and our students are lovely.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Rae Cope
Headteacher
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