

RIDGEWAY COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

Our examination timetable continues this week, creating the opportunity to share notes and/or articles that would normally not form part of our weekly newsletter.

I have included some notes on teaching our children values below.

In today's fast-paced world, instilling good values in our children is more important than ever. At Ridgeway College we identify the seven values as core to developing children who leave our gates to join the community as 'good' people:



Core Values

Respect	Trustworthiness	Responsibility	Accountability	Fairness	Ubuntu	Good citizenship
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As parents, you play a crucial role in shaping your child's character and guiding them towards becoming responsible, respectful, and compassionate individuals.

Why teach values?

Values act as a compass that guides your child in life, helping them make wise decisions, building strong relationships, and contributing positively to society. They are the foundation of a well-rounded character and a fulfilling life.

How to teach values.

1. Lead by example. Children learn more from what they see than what they hear. As parents, display the values you want your child to learn. Show kindness, honesty, respect, and responsibility in your daily actions.
2. Open conversations. Discuss different situations and dilemmas with your child. Ask them how they would react in certain scenarios and why. This will help them understand the implications of their actions and decisions.
3. Encourage empathy. Teach your child to put themselves in others' shoes. Understanding and respecting others' feelings and perspectives is a key value that fosters compassion and tolerance.
4. Praise good behaviour. When your child displays good values, acknowledge it. Positive reinforcement encourages them to continue behaving in a similar manner.
5. Teach through stories. Stories with moral lessons are a great way to teach values. They not only entertain but also present values in a context that children can understand and remember.

Involvement of school

School plays a significant role in value education. In our high school, we strive to create an environment that promotes values like respect, honesty, and responsibility. We try to incorporate these values into our curriculum and extracurricular activities.

Teaching values is a continuous process that requires our patience and consistency. Let's work together to guide your child towards becoming the best version of themselves.

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