

Summer Term Issue 31 Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

### A note from Mrs. Fraser

What an incredible week to see out the end of the half term!

Firstly, thank you and well done to all children and families who have got their steps up, participated in Walk to School Week. Mr. Harris kicked off the week by setting up the check points and delivering an assembly on how we can all work together to promote sustainability. It was great to see the drawings from children who have walked the route and earned their house points.

The children had a wonderful time celebrating National Numeracy Day. The costumes looked fab and the children had lots of opportunities to participate in some fun Maths challenges.

A huge well done to our Year 4 children who participated in the multi-skills event this week. You demonstrated some great skill and, as always, represented Green Ridge perfectly. As did our children who visited Bletchley Park on Thursday.

Thank you to everybody who has contributed to this half term's Parent Forum.

Wishing everybody at Green Ridge a safe and happy half term.

Mrs. Jen Fraser *Headteacher* 





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### Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars	Book Token Winner	TTRS – Hardest Working	TTRS – Most Improved
Beech (Y1)	James	Zach	Wade	Elijah	Harshil	-	-
Elm (Y1)	Nola	Logan	Archie	Ezra	Hazel	-	-
Lime (Y1)	Jonah	Ammina	Ollie	Ralph	Joshua	-	-
Oak (Y2)	Eva	Bonnie	Khai	Vaibhav	Isaac	Nikola	Sherwin
Plane (Y2)	Sajini	Zunairah	Ethan	Nariah	Georgia	Mark	Teddy
Spruce (Y2)	Harley	Dhivonn	Dylan	Alfie	Jacob	Alicja	Roman
Alder (Y3)	Louis	Rian	Ayyoub	Miliya	Kendrick	Jaxon	Jack
Cedar (Y3)	Alexandra	Amirah	Dennis	Matteo	Gabby	Alexandra	Ameliya
Ash (Y4)	Katie	Enoch	Nikhil	Leila D	Roseanna	Liam	Khalil
Rowan (Y4)	Francis	Trae	Daisy B	Emily	Selena	Amber	Alfie
Maple (Y5)	Skylar	Ezra	Malachi	Ella	Elise	Lexi	lmogen
Sycamore (Y5)	Elias	Jake	Esmay	Harry B	Darcey C- C	Shaylan	Freddie
Aspen (Y6)	Kawthar	Logan	Roman	Ruby	Wynnie	Miggy	Lilly
Hawthorn (Y6)	Casey	Izzy	Рорру	Lily	Ayaan	Cairo	lmogen

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Well done to Ash class for the highest attendance of 98.7% this week!

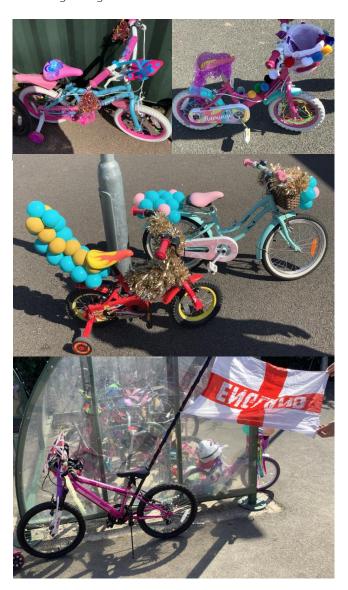
House Points					
House	Points this week	Total			
Austin	284	1208			
Disraeli	320	1201			
Pratchett	343	1206			
Redgrave	258	1185			



### News, Updates & Reminders

### Bling Your Bike Day

We are so impressed with the level of creativity the children displayed decorating their bikes and scooters for Bling you bike. Please see a few of the amazing designs below



### Requesting Leave of Absence (for holidays and exceptional circumstances)

We would like to remind parents and carers that you must inform the school if you are planning to take your child out of school during term time and we should be notified at least four weeks prior to the absence commencing, although we appreciate that there may be times when this is not possible.

Please complete a leave of absence form by

following this <u>link</u> in which your request will then be considered, and a letter will follow detailing Mrs. Frasers decision.

### We Need You (and your car)!



Can you help us out on a Monday afternoon? We're looking for volunteers who can collect KFC from town at around 2.45pm and bring it straight to school. Parking school, and full instructions will be provided – it's quick,

easy, and makes a big difference.

This is part of our partnership with FareShare, supporting our commitment to reducing food waste and helping our community.

As a thank you, you're welcome to keep a bag of chicken per collection for yourself!

If you're able to help (even just once) or are interested in helping with any other element of FareShare, please get in touch with laura.nunn@greenridgeacademy.co.uk.

### **Parent Forum Meeting Minutes**

Mrs. Fraser met with the Parent Forum Representatives on Thursday for the Parent Forum meeting and a copy of the minutes can be found on our website here.

Just a reminder that the next Parent Forum meeting will be taking place on Friday, 11th July at 9.00am.

If you have any feedback of a generic nature for the school, please do talk to the class reps or complete the short questionnaire online available <a href="here">here</a>. Please remember that if you complete the questionnaire that it should not be for individual/child feedback or to raise concerns, you should follow the normal procedures starting with your child's class teacher.

#### Sun Safe Schools

You can find the UV forecast for the next few days below. If the UV forecast is 3 or above, children should have sun cream applied and be provided with a hat and sunglasses to further protect themselves. It is not just about how sunny it is as there can be a high UV on a cloudy day. Please follow this link to check the forecast each day.











Triday Saturday

#### Out of School Achievements!

This week we are celebrating Katherine who has won a trophy half as tall as she is! Katherine played with Aylesbury United Women's U11's in the Berkshire Cup final against Townsmead last weekend and helped them with the tournament! Katherine has performed excellently for the girls' school football team this year and we are not surprised that her team



has won a big competition! Congratulations, Katherine!



Meet our cheerleading champions - Laila and Liah! Their team competed in the Cheer City Summer Games at Hertfordshire University and came in first place! They also 'hit zero' which means they didn't make any mistakes! The girls train for over six hours

every week; hard work pays off! Congratulations - another incredible achievement!

### PTA

#### Summer Fete

We have received many generous donations of raffle prizes for the Summer Fete, including Waterside Theatre tickets, £50 voucher from Hays Travel, £50 voucher for Aquavale, entry to Waddesdon Manor, Hogshaw Farm and many other vouchers and prizes from local businesses and local attractions.

This year we are running the raffle online to be drawn at the fete as it not only saves a lot of admin but also is more eco-friendly with no tickets to write out and throw away after.

To see the full list of prizes, which is still growing, and to purchase your tickets please go to <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta">www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta</a>.

There is still time to donate and support the raffle, any type of prize is gratefully received, even if you don't think your business or the business you work for has an item or service they can directly donate, we have had many generous donations of vouchers or hampers in previous years. Anything

you can donate is gratefully received. We thank you for your support and please do contact us with any questions you may have.



#### Non- uniform Day

Thank you for all your generous donations last week, it will all go towards raising funds for our school and be used at our Summer Fete. Thank you for your continuing support.

#### Easyfundraising

We wanted to remind parents and carers that Green Ridge is signed up to easyfundraising and how you can raise funds while sitting on your sofa!

It couldn't be easier. Whenever you shop online, switch energy providers or book a holiday, if you do so through easyfundraising.org.uk. The retailer gives a small percentage of what's been spent back to us to say thank you for shopping with them, at no cost to you.

With over 4,400 online retailers involved including John Lewis, Amazon, Moonpig, Justeat, Shein, eBay, Justeat, Booking.com, Now TV, Domino's Pizza, Audible and Uswitch.

All you need to do is register and list Green Ridge Primary Academy PTA as your "Good Cause'. It's quick and easy to set up, and most importantly free to join!

Now with the Donation Reminder on your iPhone and iPad it's even easier!

Simply download their app and enable the

Donation Reminder feature on your Safari browser. They'll then pop up every time a donation is available.

This means Green Ridge Primary Academy PTA won't miss out on any donations as you're shopping online using your mobile!

So, when booking your holiday please don't forget when shopping to use Easyfundraising!



### Online Safety Tip of the Week

### YouTube Controls



Over the half-term, your child(ren) may or may not be watching a tad more Youtube than normal!

This <u>link</u> provides guides to:

- Block specific content
- Review your child's 'watch history'
- Change content-level settings
- Manage screen time

## Right of the Week Article 5

### Family Guidance As Children Develop

Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents and carers to provide guidance and direction to their child as they grow up, so that they fully enjoy their rights. This must be done in a way that recognises the child's increasing capacity to make their own choices.



# Sustainability Tip of the Week

### **Grow Your Own**

This half term get your child involved in growing their own vegetables or herbs. It teaches them about where food comes from and reduces carbon emissions associated with transportation.



## Behaviour Focus of this Half Term

### **How Do We Sit**



This half term we are focusing on how we sit when learning. The children have been thinking about how we sit in the classroom or on the carpet to make sure we always Ready, Respectful and Safe!



### Important Dates & Events

### Summer Term 2

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Children Return to School
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	8.35-9.05am Parent/Carer Book Look (Y4 & Y5)
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year Four Trip to Hare Krishna Temple
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	5.30pm New YR Parent/Carer Induction Talk
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	2.00-2.30pm EYFS Lets Learn Together Parent Workshop 6 'Managing Change'  2.30-3.00pm EYFS Stay & Learn – Topic Lesson
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Trip to Whipsnade Zoo  2.15-3.15pm KS1 Stay & Learn – Foundation Subject  2.15-2.45pm Y5 Secondary Transfer & 11+ Parent/Carer Information Meeting
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Vision Screening 2.15-3.15pm KS2 Stay & Learn – Foundation Subject
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year Two Multi Skills Festival
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	2.00-5.00pm PTA Summer Fete
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year Five Games Roadshow
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year Three 11B411 Messing About on the River Trip  9.00am-12pm EYFS Sports Morning & Picnic Lunch
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Tempest Photography in for Class Photos
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am-12pm Lower School Sports Morning  12.00-1.00pm Lower & Upper School Picnic Lunch  1.00-3.00pm Upper School Sports Afternoon
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day for Lower & Upper School  5.30pm New Nursery Parent/Carer Induction Talk
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day for Nursery & Reception

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	Year Six REAch2 Enrichment Day						
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Year Six Transition Games						
June							
	2.30pm Year Five Sycamore Class Assembly						
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Year One trip to Southend Sealife Centre						
June	2.30pm Year Five Maple Class Assembly						
	Year Six Isle of Wight Residential						
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June							
	PTA Summer Disco – YR & KS1 (Further details to follow)						
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Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Transition Marning for Pocantian, Vaar Five						
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Transition Morning for Reception -Year Five Secondary Transition Day for Year Six						
July	Secondary Transfer Bay for Fear Six						
J	Year Five 11 Before 11 – Create Something Amazing						
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July							
	PTA Summer Disco – LKS2 & UKS2 (Further details to follow)						
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	2.30pm Year Four Rowan Class Assembly						
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm Year Four Ash Class Assembly						
July							
	No Enrichment Clubs						
	9.00am Parent Forum Meeting						
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year Six 11 Before 11 – Perfect a Pitch						
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	Year Four 11 Before 11 – Sleeping under the stars						
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm Year Six Production to Parents/Carers of Year Six only						
July	2.00pm Year Six Production to Parents/Carers of Year Six only						
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July							
	2.00pm Year Six Leavers Assembly						
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Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	4.30pm Year Six Leavers BBQ						
	Children Finish for End of Term						
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET Day #6						
July							

## **Child Car Seat Check Event**

Wednesday 4th June 2025 10am - 3pm

Smyths
Broadfields Retail Park
Bicester Road, Aylesbury
HP19 8BU

Pop along for FREE advice and an independent check!





