

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Autumn Term

Issue 6

Friday, 17th October 2025

We've had a fantastic week at Green Ridge this week.

Our Year Six cohort had a workshop delivered by Show Racism the Red Card on Wednesday, funded by our wonderful PTA. They explored the importance of recognising and appropriately challenging racism and the impact of conscious and unconscious bias. Leon and Fracis, who led the workshop, described our children as mature, engaged and inquisitive – we are, as always, extremely proud.

Elsewhere across the school, our Pupil Parliament and our Pupil Headship team had their first meetings this week. We know they are going to contribute greatly to the progress we make as a school this year.

Continuing the theme of leadership, some of our children had the opportunity to meet our newly appointed Chair of Governors, Rick Smith, this week. We're really excited to start this journey with Rick, working together to make Green Ridge the best school it can be for our children.

Thank you to our parents who supported our Wear Red day today.
Have a great weekend.

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Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	PAP Stars
Beech (Y1)	Sonia	Teddy	Advika
Elm (Y1)	Noah C	Destiny	Logan
Lime (Y1)	Oscar	Ayansh	Nathalie
Oak (Y2)	Ana	Joshua	Thomas
Plane (Y2)	Jeron	Yuvan	Avi
Spruce (Y2)	Harshil	Cameron	Alice
Alder (Y3)	Andreas	Ella	Ethan R
Cedar (Y3)	Gus	Kasim	Nariah
Chestnut (Y3)	Kasia	Dhivonn	Kairo
Ash (Y4)	Laasya	Jack	Eliza
Rowan (Y4)	Farzan	Amirah	Harlee
Walnut (Y4)	Liah	Lakshan	Willow
Maple (Y5)	Alayna	Layla	Nikhil
Sycamore (Y5)	Noah	Daniel	Daisy B
Aspen (Y6)	Megan	Darcey M	Jacob
Hawthorn (Y6)	Kira	Aaliyah	Dylan

Attendance Award
Well done to Oak class for the highest attendance of 98.9% this week!

House Points		
House	Points this week	Total
Austin	171	2151
Disraeli	155	2188
Pratchett	168	2268
Redgrave	176	2249



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News, Updates & Reminders

Our New Appointed Head Pupils

We are delighted to announce that Lexi, Grace, Pami, and Shaylan (pictured below) have been appointed as our Head Pupils for 2025/26.

After being shortlisted from a large number of impressive Year Six candidates, they took part in interviews with Mrs. Fraser and Rick Smith, our new Chair of Governors. Each of them demonstrated the maturity, enthusiasm, and leadership qualities that make them outstanding representatives of Green Ridge and excellent role models for our school community.

Over the coming weeks, you'll get to know them better through our newsletter, where they'll be introducing themselves and sharing their thoughts on the year ahead.



Year Three, Four, Five and Six Athlete Visit



Your child – in KS2 – should now have received their sponsorship forms for their athlete visit on Thursday. We are so excited to welcome Nerys Pearce; it will undoubtedly be an incredible, inspiring morning! For ease, we have now **opened the online sponsorship system**. Cash sponsorships are still absolutely fine but – for ease – you can now scan the QR code on the leaflet attached. Remember: the more they raise, the better the prize they receive, and the more PE/OPaL equipment we can

buy! KS2 children to come into school wearing their PE kits on **Thursday, 23rd October**. Please bring uniforms to change into later in the day.

Out of School Achievements



Jamie has demonstrated so many of our learning behaviours over the last year; after missing out on contact sports for six months due to an injury, he showed great resilience to bounce back and earn three different achievements: he has earned his yellow belt in martial arts, his 10m medal in swimming, and an award for making such great progress at his football club. Well done, Jamie – you're making everyone proud!



Congratulations to Abigail on being Highly Commended in her Bronze Freestyle Exam, awarded by the British Association of Teachers of Dancing. You must be extremely proud, well done!

Kiyaan took part in One World, Many Voices, a multicultural charity fundraiser organised by Triveni Aylesbury. He performed confidently in red traditional Chinese attire, representing his lines with great dedication. The event also celebrated Durga Puja a Hindu festival, which honours the triumph of good over evil through music, dance, and cultural expression.



Tempest Photo Orders

Have you ordered your child's portrait school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Monday, 27th October 2025**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk.

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

Many thanks.

PTA

Rainbow Raffle – Non-Uniform Day



We're turning Friday, 24th October into a rainbow of fun! Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes – the more colourful the better! Instead of a cash donation, we're asking for a gift in a specific colour linked to each year group:

Little Ridges:	Gold or Silver
Reception:	Red
Year 1:	Orange
Year 2:	Yellow
Year 3:	Green
Year 4:	Blue
Year 5:	Purple
Years 6:	Pink

All the donations will be turned into fabulous colour-themed hampers to be raffled off on Tuesday, 16th December. Raffle tickets will be available to buy on our site (www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta) throughout December.

Please make sure items are new and unopened, are not refrigerated goods, or homemade food and drinks. Ideas for each colour are included with the letter sent last week to help spark inspiration.

Great donation ideas include candles, chocolates, sweets, drinks, stationery, toys, toiletries, games, crafts, books, hair accessories, and more—feel free to get creative! Donations can be dropped off on Friday, 24th October at morning drop-off, where PTA volunteers will be ready at the school gates to collect them.

Fireworks Night 2025

Tickets are now on sale and selling fast. Go to www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta to order yours now!



Sponsorship 2025/26

At the start of each new school year, we love to invite parents and carers who own or work at a local business to partner with us and support our fantastic school through a range of sponsorship and advertising opportunities. If this is something you would be interested in supporting our school with, please contact us to discuss options and pricing.



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Online Safety Tip of the Week

KS1 – Managing Online Information

Explain to your child that the internet can be a safe and reliable source of information. Remind them of child-friendly search engines (the one we recommend in school is [Kiddle](#)).

KS2 – Managing Online Information

Ask your child what they would do if they saw a headline/article online and wanted to know if it was true or not. Guide them towards spotting 'fake news' and remind them to always check multiple sources and check with an adult before they share any information.

Right of the Week Articles 24 & 13

Health, Water, Food, Environment



Children have the right to the best health care possible, clean water to drink, healthy food and a clean and safe environment to live in. All adults and children should have information about how to stay safe and healthy.

Food, Sharing Thoughts Freely

Children have the right to share freely with others what they learn, think and feel, by talking, drawing, writing or in any other way unless it harms other people.



Sustainability Tip of the Week

Minimal Packaging, Maximum Impact

When packing snacks for school, we kindly request that you consider purchasing larger packs and decanting them into reusable Tupperware containers or wax wraps. This small change helps reduce the use of individually wrapped, single-use plastic snacks, making a significant impact on waste reduction.

OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

Small World Toys

The children had so much fun playing with the small world toys! They really enjoyed using their imaginations to create different scenes and stories with the toys. It was wonderful to see their smiles and hear their laughter while they played together. We are excited to have some new additions coming to Opal in the next few weeks so watch this space!



October Half Term

25 October - 2 November 2025

This October Half Term, join us for spooky science experiments, make your own modroc mummy, get creative with autumn art, and enjoy trick or treat fun! Plus discover our NEW 'I Grew Up 90s' exhibition opening for October Half Term.

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org
or scan the QR code



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