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### What a colourful end to a busy and successful half term!

Thank you to all our families who attended Pupil Learning Reviews this week. Our teachers relished in the chance to sing the praises of our children and I'm sure you shared our sense of pride in their achievements and progress.

I need to publicly praise our Year Two and Year Six children. Over the last week, both cohorts have had a workshop led by an external visitor. On both occasions, the workshop facilitator sent me a follow-up message praising our children's manners, listening skills, curiosity and eagerness to learn. Whilst not surprising, it was a joy to hear. Well done, Year Two and Year Six!

On behalf of all the children and staff, I would also like to thank Malavika for leading our Diwali Assembly this week. With help from her dad , Malavika told the story of Rama and Sita, showed us some traditional dance skills and talked about how Diwali is celebrated by Hindu families across the world.

From all of us at Green Ridge, have a safe and happy half term break.

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# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

## Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	Book Token Winner	PAP Stars	TTRS – Hardest Working	TTRS – Most Improved
Beech (Y1)	Ayla	lbrahim	Darcie	lmogen	Alila	-	-
Elm (Y1)	Naomi	Amelia M	Kiyaan	Nicolas	Tobi	-	-
Lime (Y1)	Nathalie	Oscar	Sienna	Ayansh	Charlie	-	-
Oak (Y2)	Vihaan	Tyler	lvy	Ollie	James	Phoebe	Skye
Plane (Y2)	Bella	Archie	Bradley	Ati	Nola	Ben	Avi
Spruce (Y2)	lvy	Elijah	Sophia	Jessica	Sophie	Harshil	Zachary
Alder (Y3)	Isaac A	Charlotte	Lily-Rose	Amelie	Nicolas	Kai	Vaibhav
Cedar (Y3)	Alexander S	Sajini	Teddy	Shriram	Alexander G	Alex G	Nicholas
Chestnut (Y3)	Aurora	Mia-Ann	Darcey	Arthur	Mara	Dylan	Aaron
Ash (Y4)	Abigail	Rose	Dwiti	Phoebe	Unays	Nathaniel	Eliza
Rowan (Y4)	Nuredah	Anhad	Laila	Haniya	Kendrick	Harlee	Evie
Walnut (Y4)	Ritusan	Jasmeen	Ravi	Malavika	Mahir	Freddie M	Darcy
Maple (Y5)	Ayaan	Alfie	Katie	Tallulah	Liam	Riyon	Yashvi
Sycamore (Y5)	Aaliyah	Selena	Jayden	Niamh	Zoe	Daisy B	Cassia
Aspen (Y6)	Darcey C-C	Isabelle	Max	Heidi	Archie	Harry W	Freddie
Hawthorn (Y6)	Andre	lmogen	Lewis	Robin	Oskar	Aaliyah	Lillie

Well done to Spruce class for the highest attendance of 99% this week!

House Points						
House	Points this week	Total				
Austin	268	2419				
Disraeli	283	2471				
Pratchett	288	2556				
Redgrave	289	2538				



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### News, Updates & Reminders

#### **Uniform Policy Update**

We have had an unusual influx of queries regarding blouses and ties recently. We are not sure what has caused the recent confusion as there have been no changes to expectations around blouses/ties since we opened in 2017. However, we can confirm that the uniform policy has now been updated to provide more clarity, to which a copy can be found attached to this newsletter. In short, the update can be found below.

Children are required to wear a revered collared blouse/shirt. A revered collar does not have a top button, which is why a tie is not required. To confirm, if a blouse/shirt has a top button, a tie is mandatory. Please note that collars in which are excessive in size or are too frilly are not appropriate in school.













#### Meet Shaylan one of our Head Pupils...

Hello, my name is Shaylan and I am very excited about my new role of Head Pupil. I am 11 years old and I'm in Year Six Aspen. I enjoy playing lots of sports including tennis, football and basketball. I play for my local football club Aylesbury Vale Dynamos.



Some of my favourite foods include pizza, fries and burgers. I also enjoy many fast food companies such as KFC, McDonalds and Subway.

On a Tuesday, I attend Berryfields scouts, where I help my community doing activities such as litter picking, I also go on camping trips and learn how to different skills and tasks. I am extremely ecstatic for this collaboration for the year ahead. I can help with any problems and if you see me, you say hi! I look forward to seeing you on the playground.

#### FIA Icon Camps – October Half Term

Football Icon Academy have confirmed that there



are still free spaces available for Green Ridge pupils in receipt of pupil premium. The Icon

Camps will be taking place here at Green Ridge next Tuesday (28<sup>th</sup>), Wednesday (29<sup>th</sup>) and Thursday (30<sup>th</sup>) October.

A letter was sent to parents/carers of eligible pupils on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October, so please refer to this for further information. More details about the Icon Camps can be found within the flyer towards the end of the newsletter.

#### FareShare Meeting - All Welcome!

Come and join us for a short FareShare meeting on Friday, 7th November at 8.45–9.15am at the school. Whether you're already part of the FareShare team, curious about getting involved, or simply interested in what we do, we'd love to see you there. It's a great chance to meet the team and find out how you can help to make a difference. And yes – there will be cake!

#### **Tempest Photo Orders**

Please note, that the closing date for free delivery

back to school is Monday, 27th October. You can order via the Tempest website using your unique link. If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

#### Parking On Site

Please can we remind parents/carers that our car park is not available for you to use during drop off and pick up. There are limited spaces in the parking bays at the front of the school which is for disabled use only.

#### Remembrance Poppies

In preparation for Remembrance Day, our Pupil Headship Team will be outside the main entrance the week commencing Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, both immediately before and after school, selling poppies.

#### New HCL Winter Menu 2025-26

We are pleased to share the new winter menu with parents/carers and you will find a copy attached to this newsletter. Also, you can now view photos of the lunch meal options using the link <a href="here">here</a>. Please note that you will be able to order your child's lunch options on SchoolGrid from Friday, 31st October.

#### **Out of School Achievements**



Cassia, Jess, Lexi, Lillie, and Tilly took part in the KaSo Juniors Choreographic Dance Show, where the dancers choreographed and performed their own routines in front of family and friends. Cassia, Jess, Lexi, and Lillie wowed the audience with their street

quartet, earning a gold medal. Lexi and Lillie also impressed with a gold-winning tap duet, while Lexi

and Tilly — taking part in the show for the very first time — performed a tap duet that received a bronze medal. Jess shone individually with a modern solo, earning gold, and also delivered a stunning contemporary duet, which



received

silver.



Abigail also, performed at the Kaso's Dance Makers competition creating her own routine winning a bronze award. They should all feel incredibly proud of all their hard work, creativity, and fantastic performances!

Antoni and his little sister Maria spent their time tidying up the streets of Berryfields. Armed with big smiles, a litter picker, and a rubbish bag, they took it upon themselves to make their neighbourhood a cleaner and more pleasant place for everyone. What began as a simple family



evening turned into a wonderful act of community spirit — a reminder that even small actions can make a big difference. Well done, Antoni and Maria! Your kindness, teamwork, and care for your surroundings set a fantastic example for us all.



Alice has recently earned her 5-metre swimming medal. She should be very proud of her progress in swimming. Well done, Alice — what a great accomplishment!

Dennis is off to Barcelona this weekend to take part in an international football tournament, where he'll be competing against clubs from all over the world — including teams from São Paulo, Brazil, and Stockholm, Sweden! He must be so proud that all his hard work and determination have paid off to earn this incredible opportunity, and we know he'll do brilliantly. Let's show Dennis our full



support as he represents with pride — good luck, Dennis!



Bella took part in her very first taekwondo competition — and what an amazing debut it was! She proudly brought home a gold medal in sparring and a silver medal in the fast kicking race. We're incredibly proud of Bella's fantastic achievements and the hard work and determination she's

shown. Well done, Bella!

Daisy and Olivia have both made a splash by completing Stages 4, 5, and 6 in swimming! Daisy has also earned her 400metre distance medal, and Olivia has achieved her 200-metre distance



medal. Fantastic work, girls — well done!

#### **PTA**

#### Rainbow Raffle - Non-Uniform Day

Thank you for your very generous donations today, our volunteers will be making some amazing colourful hampers, and we will let you know when tickets go on sale!

#### **Christmas Cards and Gifts**

This week you would have received the sample of your child's design for Christmas cards and other gifts. Please follow the instructions on the sample cards to place your order, the shop closes on Friday, 7th November. If you have any questions, please contact the <u>PTA</u>.

#### Fireworks Night 2025

Tickets are now on sale and selling fast!

Join us at Green Ridge Primary Academy PTA Annual Fireworks Night on Saturday, 8th November!

There will be refreshments, a BBQ and various glowing & flashing items to purchase on the night!

#### \*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\*

As well as the usual refreshments we will have a Bar including hot Mulled Cider and Bailey's Hot Chocolate.

Hatter Amusements will also be joining us this year with some rides! (Please note these are cash only) Win the chance to start the Fireworks! Enter the raffle for just £1 and be the one to push the button and start the display!

Tickets are £6 each and can be purchased at <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta">www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta</a>.

Numbers are limited and only available online and in advance - so buy your tickets now and don't miss out!

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#### 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

#### Online Safety - Half Term

Children are naturally on their devices more during the school holidays. Click on this link for useful tips and guidance – covering everything from screen time limits on apps to security settings.

The article focusses on the summer holidays but it is applicable for every half term.

https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/stayingsafe-online-in-the-summer-holidaysadvice-for-parents-and-carers

### Right of the Week Article 16

#### **Protection of Privacy**

Every child has the right to privacy. The law must protect children's privacy, family, home, communications and reputation (or good name) from any attack.



# Sustainability Tip of the Week

#### Sustainability Challenge

This half term, embark on a fun and meaningful sustainability challenge with your family. Encourage your children to take a closer look at their wardrobes and consider donating clothing items they no longer need or wear. This wardrobe challenge not only promotes sustainability but also teaches your family valuable life lessons about empathy, responsible consumption, and the importance of giving back. It's a small step that can lead to a brighter, more sustainable future for everyone.

### OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

#### Small World Area

The amazing Miss.
Crown made some
new resources for
our small world
area, and the
children really
loved them! Opal
has been a great



success this half term, and we are very thankful for all the donations we have received. We are still looking for more donations, especially for cars and animals to use in our small world area. If you are having a sort-out at home, please think of us and consider donating any items you no longer need.



## Icon Camps -October Half Term 28th -30th October





### What is on offer this Half Term!

Icon Camps at Greenridge Primary Academy are packed with fun, adventure, and variety, perfect for every child!

From exciting sports like football, cricket, tennis, dodgeball, and multi-sports to energetic sessions in the sports Hall, there's something for everyone to enjoy. While our younger campers can get creative with arts and crafts for Halloween.

And the best part? Flexibility!

If your child wants to switch activities and try something new during camp, that's no problem at all. Just let us know, and we'll make it happen.

At Greenridge Primary Academy & Icon Camps, every day is full of adventure, energy, and endless fun

#### The Cost?

Individual full camp day / Everything included 9-3pm - £25 per day Full Week - £70 (3 days)

Discounts - Sibling discounts included upon booking when going to the website.

#### How to Book

Please head to our website - www.footballicon.com/events