

Autumn Term Issue 13 Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025

### Hello, everybody

It's been another wonderful week at Green Ridge. In assembly this week, we talked about how important it is to get the little details right in the classroom to be the most successful learners we can be. As a result, children have been thinking about their posture at their desks and their pencil grip and how this impacts their handwriting. We have recently started a new programme for handwriting, which the children are enjoying, and we are already seeing a positive difference. Well done, everybody!

Another big well done to our choir members who joined in Carols on the Green at the weekend. The event was superb, and it was heartwarming to see some of our younger children joining in and sharing the festive spirit with the community.

And of course, a huge well done to our Early Years children who performed beautifully today.

To those of you attending our Year Two Nativity next week, we look forward to seeing you there.

Wishing everybody a restful weekend ahead of what will be an exciting and very festive final week of term.

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# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

## Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars
Beech (Y1)	Hazel	Cuba	Elodie-Mae	Teddy
Elm (Y1)	Tilly	Kiyaan	Noah C	Maahil
Lime (Y1)	Dhruv	Nathalie	Ayansh	Ella
Oak (Y2)	Tyler	Vrushank	Freya	Vihaan
Plane (Y2)	Edie	Nola	Yuvan	Bella
Spruce (Y2)	Jack	Oliver	Lucas	lvy
Alder (Y3)	Tommy	Isaac A	Adith	Matilda
Cedar (Y3)	Thea	Teddy	Georgia	Ethan
Chestnut (Y3)	Phoebe	Ruben	Mara	Jacob
Ash (Y4)	Zachary	Eliza	Thinoothi	Laasya
Rowan (Y4)	Elin	Maggie	Chimzikora	Daniel
Walnut (Y4)	Arhata	Vivienne	Darcey	Ritusan
Maple (Y5)	Yashvi	Katie	Муа	Enoch
Sycamore (Y5)	Alice	Trae	lzzy	Aaliyah
Aspen (Y6)	Trinity	Harry W	Megan	Heidi
Hawthorn (Y6)	Oskar	Skylar	Муа	Jayden

Attendance Award				
Well done to Aspen class for the highest attendance of 98% this week!				

House Points				
House	Points this week	Total		
Austin	134	3587		
Disraeli	117	3439		
Pratchett	168	3747		
Redgrave	194	3676		



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## News, Updates & Reminders

#### Christmas Jumper Day



We are encouraging the children to dress festively and wear their Christmas jumpers or other

appropriate festive or 'wintery' tops (should they wish to) on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December for Christmas Jumper Day (Santa/elf hats and antlers are also welcome!). Green Ridge will be taking part in aid of the Save the Children charity. Children will still need to come in wearing the rest of their school uniform but can supplement their school jumper or cardigan as appropriate. For this day, children do not have to wear their shirt, blouse or tie. We kindly ask for a donation of £1.00 on this day to go to the Save the Children charity.

#### **Enrichment Clubs**

We would like to remind you that enrichment clubs for the Autumn Term will end the week commencing Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that there will be **no** clubs including Young Voices on **Wednesday**, 17<sup>th</sup> December due to staff training.

#### **Lost Property**

Ahead of the end of term, the lost property trolley will be available outside the school office each day next week. You can check it in the mornings from 8:30–9:00am and in the afternoons from 3:15–3:45pm.

We currently have a large number of unnamed jumpers, cardigans, trousers, dresses, coats, water bottles, lunchboxes, hats and gloves. Please take a moment to look through the items. Any belongings not collected by Friday, 19th December will be donated to charity.

#### **Winter Coats**

We have a range of winter coats available in great condition should your child need one this winter.

These will be in the foyer from this evening, free of charge, and will remain there throughout next week. Please feel free to call in at any time to have a look or help yourself.



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

Tommy, Jamie and Oscar have been attending Squirrels, and on Monday they were all recognised for their achievements. Jamie received his Moving On Badge and took part in the Moving Up Ceremony to celebrate his transition to Beavers.



Meanwhile, Tommy and Oscar were each awarded the Chief Scout's Acorn Award — the highest honour for Squirrel Scouts — recognising their dedication and hard work.



Ila completed her first 4K charity walk at Waddesdon Manor on the Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> December supporting the Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity. She absolutely loved the experience and is eager to take part in many more events in the future to support good causes.

Dylan was awarded the 'Player of the Day' trophy on Wednesday evening by his rugby team, Aylesbury Rugby Football Club. He's absolutely overjoyed with this achievement and couldn't wait to share the news with everyone.



Harlee Celebrated his birthday in style as he was a Brentford mascot last weekend. He walked out – and got this really cool photo – with their captain (Nathan Collins). What an amazing experience!



#### PE Kits

We have noticed that many children do not have the appropriate PE Kit for the colder weather. As stated in our uniform policy, children should wear plain black tracksuit bottoms or leggings, their house colour PE top and a plain black sweater or hoodie.

#### FIA Icon Camps – Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2025



We're delighted to confirm that <u>Football</u> <u>Icon Academy</u> will be returning to run

another Icon Camp here at Green Ridge on **Monday**, 22<sup>nd</sup> **December!** Bookings are now available via their <u>website</u>.

FIA have also kindly offered some free places for our children in receipt of Pupil Premium. Further communication will be sent regarding this in due course.

#### **Cold Weather Safety Reminder**

As the weather becomes colder, we kindly remind all parents/carers and visitors to take extra care when entering the school grounds.

- The school will endeavour to grit and de-ice pathways where possible.
- Despite these efforts, surfaces may still be slippery, so please walk carefully.
- Your caution helps keep ever
- Your caution helps keep everyone safe during the winter months

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

#### PTA

#### **Christmas Crafts**

If you have not already bought your child's Christmas craft then you can purchase it online at <a href="www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta">www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta</a> and it will be sent home with your child before the end of term.

#### Rainbow Raffle

Win one of the 19 colourful Rainbow Hampers! Tickets are £1 each and winners will be drawn on 4pm on Tuesday, 16th December.

Each amazing box has a range of items and would be a perfect prize to win just in time for the Christmas period Tickets can be purchased at <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta">www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta</a>.

You've got to be in it to win it!



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### Online Safety Tip of the Week

#### Online Safety Ambassadors

Ask your child if they know who the 'online safety ambassadors' are. New ones have recently been elected and they are there for any peer support or questions.

The online safety team will soon be creating 'online safety worry boxes' that will live on each year groups' laptop trolleys so the children can discuss anything they are concerned about.

Please remind them to speak to a trusted adult or peer if they experience anything online that upsets or worries them

### Right of the Week Articles 4 & 41



#### Making Rights Real

Governments must do all they can to make sure that every child in their countries can enjoy all the rights in this Convention.

## Best Law for Children Applies

If the laws of a country protect children's rights better than this Convention, then those laws should be used.



# Sustainability Tip of the Week

#### **Christmas Cards**

This year, challenge yourself to only send a card if it's got a personal message inside. If you want to still send a card but without the waste, opt for e-cards. If you want the real card, choose ones made with recycled card, ones with the FSC or PEFC logo to ensure it comes from well managed forests that support local people, or at least cards free of glitter so they can be recycled.





### OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

#### **Creativity At Play**



It has been
wonderful to see
the children
playing with all
the fun
equipment. They
have been using

their imaginations to create new and exciting games every day. Watching their creativity come to life is truly amazing. The children work together, sharing ideas and including everyone in their play. It is clear that the toys inspire them. Overall, this is a great place for children to explore and enjoy their playtime.



## FOR GIRLS IN YEARS 1 TO 7

FREE GOODIE BAG - FREE HOT CHOCOLATE - FREE HOT DOG - FREE SANTA HAT

FREE MEMBERSHIP FOR THE 2025/26 SEASON

10:30 AM - 12 PM | DECEMBER 14TH | AYESBURY RFC