

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Spring Term

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## Happy New Year, from all at Green Ridge!

We hope you had a restful winter break. It's been wonderful to see the children return with such positive attitudes and enthusiasm for learning.

Across the school, pupils have started exploring new texts in English and are showing great resilience, just like Resilient Rita, as they tackle some challenging maths work.

Although the weather has been very cold, learning continues at full pace! A gentle reminder for those driving to and from school: please do not use the school entrance or nearby roads for turning, as this creates unsafe conditions for our children and families.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our school community safe and thriving.

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend.

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## Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars
Beech (Y1)	Ateeb	Alila	Ronnie	Sonia
Elm (Y1)	Ayaan	Kyanah	Harin	Anthony
Lime (Y1)	Teddie	Alice	Ezekiel	David
Oak (Y2)	Ollie	Jonah	Alexander	Daisy
Plane (Y2)	Ati	Jeron	Hazel	Oscar
Spruce (Y2)	Zach	Ethan	Wade	Samuel
Alder (Y3)	Adith	Charlotte	Bonnie	Ethan H
Cedar (Y3)	Nicholas	Karta	Charlie	Jack
Chestnut (Y3)	Saisha	Mara	Alicja	Edward
Ash (Y4)	Zuha	Ayyoub	Eliza	Zachary
Rowan (Y4)	Laila	Kendrick	Farzan	Maggie
Walnut (Y4)	Gabriel	Liah	Malavika	Olivia
Maple (Y5)	Leila	Roseanna	Riyon	Alfie
Sycamore (Y5)	Slanna	Niamh	Cassia	Danny
Aspen (Y6)	Jacob	Olivia	Isabelle	Harry B
Hawthorn (Y6)	Jayden	Lewis	Manya	Lily-Sue

Attendance Award	House Points		
Well done to Oak and Rowan class for the highest attendance of 99.1% this week!			
House	Points this week	Total	
Austin	115	115	
Disraeli	59	59	
Pratchett	90	90	
Redgrave	68	68	



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## News, Updates & Reminders

### Teams Login

We are pleased to inform you that children are now able to log in to Teams from home. As a result, home learning will commence next week. We appreciate your continued support and understanding.

### Parent Forum Meeting

Just a reminder that the next Parent Forum meeting will be taking place on **Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January** 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 [here](#). 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.

### Application for Reception September 2026

If your child was born between 1 Sept 2021-31 Aug 2022, the deadline to apply for primary school applications is next **Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> January**. If you've yet to do so, please ensure you submit an application via the Buckinghamshire Council website before the deadline!

### A Special 'Bun-derful' Day



We are delighted to share that on **Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> January** we will be having a special menu to promote our freshly made meals. Our special menu is Burger Day, serving fresh yummy burgers and a sweet treat. The options are as follows:

Breaded Chicken Burger or Beef Burger (Meat Option)

Plant Grill (Vegetarian Option and Free From)

All served with baked potato wedges, sweetcorn and coleslaw and a golden Krispie cake for dessert.

And for our creatures of habit Jacket Potato with a choice of Cheese, Beans or Tuna.

You can order your child's meal via SchoolGrid now and up till 8.55am on the day.

If you are experiencing any issues with your account, please contact the admin team.

### Dance Fitness with Nathan

Mr. Ladyman is running his dance fitness class at Green Ridge Monday evenings from 7-8pm for parents, carers, and the local community. This is a fantastic opportunity to get active, have fun, and stay fit! For just £7 (cash only), you'll enjoy an hour of exciting dance routines set to the latest chart-topping hits as well as some golden oldies. Music and routines will vary each week and include a mix of styles, so there's always something new to enjoy. Whether you're a dance enthusiast or a complete beginner looking for a fun way to stay fit, this class is perfect for you; no experience necessary! Booking is required and opens Monday mornings via WhatsApp. Simply scan the QR code to join the group and receive further details.



### PTA

#### Happy New Year!

We hope everyone had a lovely break and enjoyed the holidays celebrating Christmas. We have lots to look forward to this year with all our planned events and the first save the date is for our annual quiz night on **Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> February**, so get the babysitter booked now! Tickets and further details soon!

#### 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](https://www.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 8,000+ online retailers involved including John Lewis, Amazon, Moonpig, Justeat, Shein, ebay, 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!

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 for this year please don't forget to use Easyfundraising!

### **Buckinghamshire Lottery**

Did you know Green Ridge PTA is part of the Buckinghamshire Lottery, which supports community projects in the local area.

Each Buckinghamshire Lottery ticket has a 1 in 50 chance of winning a prize each week, with a top prize of £25,000. Over the last few years of Green Ridge taking part, we have been lucky to have had several winners of cash prizes.

## Online Safety Tip of the Week

### KS1 – Self-image and Identity

Can your child recognise the difference between a good 'digital citizen' and a bad 'digital citizen'? What would they do if they encounter a bad digital citizen? Who would they tell? How would they report it?

### KS2 - Self-image and Identity

Who does your child interact with online? Friends? Family? How do they interact positively online and can they explain what impact this has on the online community? What would they do if someone did not interact positively?

## Right of the Week Article 12

### Respect For Children's Views

Children have the right to give their opinions freely on issues that affect them. Adults should listen and take children seriously.



## Sustainability Tip of the Week

### Grow Your Own

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.



## OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

### Puppet Theatre

The weather has kept us from going outside as much as it has been very cold, but when we do go out, the children have a lot of fun. One of their favourite things is the new puppet theatre in the music area. The children really enjoy playing with it and putting on shows. They use their imagination to create stories and act them out with the puppets. It has been a wonderful addition to our playground.





## Half Term Camps 17th-19th February Multi Sports & Musical Theatre



### Activities on Offer

Children will enjoy a wide variety of activities, including:

- Multi-Sport Sessions – Dodgeball, Football, Basketball, Cricket and more
- Musical Theatre Dance – A special 2-day dance experience, where children will learn choreography inspired by songs from the hit musical *WICKED*

At Greenridge Primary Academy & Icon Camps, every day is packed with energy, creativity and adventure, ensuring a memorable experience for all children.

### Camp Times & Costs

#### Full Camp Day (9:00am – 3:00pm)

- £25 per day
- Full 3-Day Camp: £65
- 2-Day Musical Theatre: £45

All activities and sessions are included in the price.

### Discounts

- **Sibling Discount:** Up to 20% discount on sibling bookings (automatically applied at checkout)

### How to Book

To secure your place, please visit our website:

👉 [www.footballicon.com/events](http://www.footballicon.com/events)



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