

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Spring Term

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Here's to the end of another rainy week at Green Ridge!

Firstly, a huge shout-out to our incredible children who took part in Young Voices at Wembley Arena on Thursday night. Singing alongside thousands of other children was an unforgettable experience, especially because it was the 30-year anniversary, and our vocalists represented the school brilliantly! Their enthusiasm, confidence and joyful singing truly shone, and we hope the audiences enjoyed the performance as much as we did. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children to be part of something so memorable and inspiring. Well done, everyone, especially Miss. South and Miss. Crown for making it all happen!

This week we have also been celebrating National Storytelling Week. Children have logged on to take part in a range of exciting online events throughout the week, helping to extend their love of reading and stories. Through storytelling, drama and shared experiences, pupils have been encouraged to use their imagination, develop their language and oracy skills and enjoy the magic of books in new and creative ways.

We look forward to seeing you at Pupil Learning Reviews next week where we can share the successes of your hard-working children.

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Celebrations & Achievements

| | Certificate of Achievement | Certificate of Progress | Superhero Shake | PAP Stars |
|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Beech (Y1) | Freddie | Elena | Ivan | Elodie-Mae |
| Elm (Y1) | Eylas | Sophie | Amelia P | Anika |
| Lime (Y1) | Penelope | Harper | Ella | Takshay |
| Oak (Y2) | Thea | Vivian | Vihaan | Ivy |
| Plane (Y2) | Joey | Aanvi | Bella | Edie |
| Spruce (Y2) | Luna | Lara | Bianka | Fearne |
| Alder (Y3) | Nicolas | Nikola | Isaac A | Eva |
| Cedar (Y3) | Olivia | Charlie | Grace | Tres |
| Chestnut (Y3) | Pranav | Aaron | Cerys | Aurora |
| Ash (Y4) | Jack | Unays | Livia | Lillie |
| Rowan (Y4) | Abigail | Nuredah | Daniel | Ellie |
| Walnut (Y4) | Kiyansh | Ravi | Freddie C | Hettie |
| Maple (Y5) | Alfie | Archie | Indy | Lucas |
| Sycamore (Y5) | Ana | Aleksander | Daisy B | Francis |
| Aspen (Y6) | Macie-Rose | Jamie | Diya | Jonathon |
| Hawthorn (Y6) | Imogen | Krithik | Gwennie | Lillie |

| Attendance Award |
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| Well done to Spruce class for the highest attendance of 100% this week! |

| House Points | | |
|--------------|------------------|-------|
| House | Points this week | Total |
| Austin | 477 | 1556 |
| Disraeli | 451 | 1404 |
| Pratchett | 458 | 1475 |
| Redgrave | 447 | 1416 |



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News, Updates & Reminders

Reception – ‘Everyday Superheroes’

As part of our Aspirations curriculum and our topic ‘Everyday Superheroes,’ the children in Reception have enjoyed meeting some real heroes from our community!

We were very lucky to have a visit from Firefighter Barnes, who showed the children some of the special tools he uses to help keep people safe. The children loved learning about firefighters and had lots of brilliant questions.

We also had an exciting visit from the Thames Valley Air Ambulance team. The children were able to see inside a real paramedic response car, and they were amazed when the lights and sirens were switched on!

These wonderful visits happen because volunteers kindly give up their time, and we are very grateful to them.

If you would like to support the amazing work these services do, here are the donation links:

- Thames Valley Air Ambulance: <https://www.tvairambulance.org.uk/support-us/donate/>
- The Fire Fighters Charity: <https://www.firefighterscharity.org.uk/donate/>

Thank you for helping us bring our learning to life!



Swimming Competition

On Wednesday, year five and six took part in a swimming gala at Stoke Mandeville Stadium with 11 other schools. Our team consisted of Heidi, Jayden, Kira, Diya, Pami, Francis, Archie L and Alfie M. Every member of the team performed brilliantly, and they showed amazing team spirit and sportsmanship throughout. Mr. Davis and Miss. Campanis are very proud to say that we finished 1st! Well done to the whole team. Go team Green Ridge!!!



Travelling Book Fair

The Travelling Book Fair is coming to Green Ridge during week commencing **Monday, 9th February** and will be outside the library from 4.00pm during the pupil learning reviews.

There are over 200 books for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99, there's sure to be a book for everyone! Every book you buy can help to get free books for our school library.

As we are a cashless school, any payments for books must be made electronically. This can be done easily on the day, and a member of the Green Ridge team will be on hand to assist you. For more information about the travelling book fair, please visit this [link](#).

Thank you in advance for your support.

Enrichment Clubs

We would like to remind parents and carers that there are no enrichment clubs on **Monday, 9th February** and **Wednesday, 11th February** due to the pupil learning reviews taking place. These dates were not included on Arbor and was shared in the letter sent on Thursday, 20th November. Please collect your child/ren at the normal time of 3.15pm or 3.20pm. Thank you.

Lost Property

Next week from Monday, 9th February the lost property trolley will be in the lobby of the main school entrance at 8.30am-9.00am and 3.00pm-3.30pm for parents and carers to reclaim any lost items. There is a significant amount of non-named items such as jumpers, cardigans, gloves, hats and water bottles. We will be donating any items that have not been claimed to charity, therefore if your child/ren have lost any items please do come and have a look.

Out of School Achievements

We have loved celebrating pupils out of school achievements over the past half-term or so. As a reminder, if your child has achieved something in an external club, we would love to celebrate it in the newsletter and add their photo to our Skills for Life display board. This can also be a snapshot of them mastering the life skills for their year group.

PTA

Non-Uniform Day – Friday, 13th February

Friday, 13th February is non uniform day and instead of a cash donation we are asking for the following please to be brought in on the day.

Early Years and KS1 - small toys, games, or puzzles in good condition with all the parts.

KS2 - unused beauty or bath products, stationery sets, notebooks, fun pens, gift sets, candles or unwanted gifts or new items you no longer need. Please can we ask all items are unused and in good condition.

These will be used for a tombola at our Summer Fete on Friday 12th June to raise funds for the school 📖

Thank you for your support as always

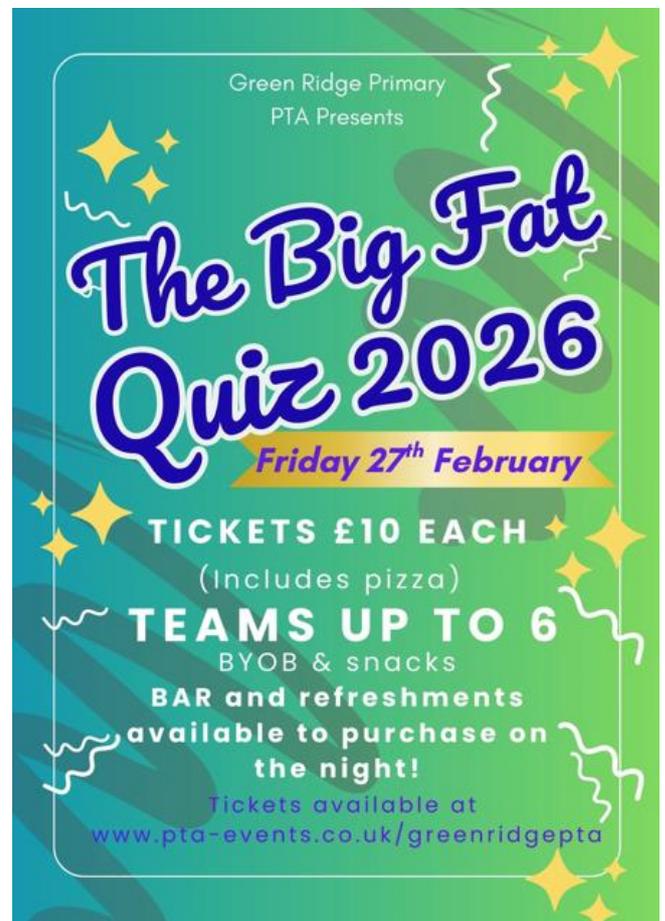
The Big Fat Quiz 2026

Is your prowess for a general knowledge round lacking but unbelievable skill in the music round going to make you a winner? Might you play your joker on the music round but wish you'd saved it for the sports round?!

Our fun community evening will be filled with games, team activities and a quiz throughout, with teams of six held at the school. Pizza is included in the ticket price to arrive part way through the evening. It's an adult only event, so get the babysitter booked now! Book your tickets today at www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta numbers are limited so book now!

Class Reps

Would you like to join the larger committee and be involved more? Every year we recruit Class Reps to be part of the PTA to ensure each class is represented. They are a point of contact for parents in each class. We are a friendly bunch, and commitment can be as much or as little as you can spare time for. If you would like to find out more, drop us an [email](mailto:). We are particularly looking for parents from Year Four as we do not currently have someone for each class.



Online Safety Tip of the Week

WhatsApp

Recent research shows that:

- 26% of five to seven-year-olds
- 61% of eight to eleven-year-olds
- 96% of twelve to fifteen-year-olds

now own a smartphone. With that, communicating safely online is more important now than ever. WhatsApp is the most common platform to message on but has a suggested age of 13+.

If you are allowing your children to use it, please remind them of 'Ready. Respectful. Safe.' and use this [link](#) to help you put in additional measures.

Right of the Week Article 27

Food, Clothing, A Safe Home

Children have the right to food, clothing and a safe place to live so they can develop in the best possible way. The Government should help families and children who cannot afford this.



Sustainability Tip of the Week

Support Sustainable Transport

Whenever possible, encourage walking, cycling, park and stride or using public transport instead of relying solely on cars to get to school. Car shares with other families can also help reduce carbon emissions and traffic congestion. This of course contributes towards getting our Travel Tracker badges too!



OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

Parachute

This week at OPAL on the playground was another great one! The children were really excited because they got to play with the parachute. Everyone loved it, and it quickly became a favourite activity. The bright colours of the parachute made everyone smile as they took turns running under it and watching it float up high. The laughter and joy filled the air as friends played together.





Buckinghamshire Family Learning



MAKE MATHS FUN

A FREE workshop for parents and carers of children from 3-11 years old, living in Buckinghamshire.

Easy, fun ways to help your child's understanding of maths.



Tuesday 17th February

10:00am-12:00pm



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