

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Spring Term

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Happy Friday Everyone,

As we come to the end of a short but very busy half term, I want to take a moment to celebrate all the wonderful learning and achievements across the school. Children have shown fantastic focus, enthusiasm, and resilience, and the atmosphere around school has been incredibly positive.

We are especially proud of Key Stage 2 children who have brought home two trophies this half term – one for gymnastics and one for swimming. A huge well done for your dedication, teamwork and amazing performance! Mr. Davis was especially thrilled!

Our Reception children did their good deed for the term this week and delivered letters and cards to members of our community. They have learnt so much during their Real-Life Superheroes topic and loved the opportunity to show their understanding and gratitude.

Finally, Year 3 had a great time exploring the stone, iron and bronze age at the Chiltern Open Air Museum this week. The children represented the school beautifully as they joined in the vast variety of workshops.

Thank you to all the families who were able to join us at the Pupil learning Reviews. We cherish the chance to share the wonderful things your children achieve at Green Ridge.

Wishing you a peaceful half term break. See you very soon.

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Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	Book Token Winner	PAP Stars	TTRS – Hardest Working	TTRS – Most Improved
Beech (Y1)	Advika	Ayla	Sonia	Cuba	Darcie	-	-
Elm (Y1)	Isaac	Tilly	Erin	Amelia M	Noah C	-	-
Lime (Y1)	Ayansh	Esther-Rose	Oscar	David	Sienna	-	-
Oak (Y2)	Ellie-May	Alexander	Aliza	Sayan	Tyler	Sam	Rithvik
Plane (Y2)	Nina	Benjiman	Sol	Alayya	Alice	Avi	Saanvika
Spruce (Y2)	Wade	Dylan	Hazel	Evelina	Filip	Oliver	Alayna
Alder (Y3)	Pippa	Amelie	Nicolas	Isaac A	Khai	Vaibhav	Sophia
Cedar (Y3)	Sri	Alexander S	Shriram	Charlie	Kasim	Tres	Gus
Chestnut (Y3)	Pranav	Amber	Edward	Alfie	Phoebe	Jacob	Saisha
Ash (Y4)	Ash class	Miliya	Dwiti	Nakshatra	Alessia	Thinoothi	Sofia T
Rowan (Y4)	Kyle	Jaxon	Maggie	Freya	Arafat	Amelia R	Farzan
Walnut (Y4)	Rian	Mahir	Lakshan	Amber	Freya	Ravi	Jasmeen
Maple (Y5)	Haadiya	Maisey P	Willow	Zavi	Yashvi	Lucas	Indy
Sycamore (Y5)	Zoe	Alice	Sianna	Emily	Santiago	Francis	Niamh
Aspen (Y6)	Harry B	Ella	Isabelle	Freddie	Olivia	Freddie	Darcey CC
Hawthorn (Y6)	Joshua	Elise	Andre	Lewis	Grace	Mya	Skylar

Attendance Award

Well done to Plane class for the highest attendance of 98.7% this week!

House Points

House	Points this week	Total
Austin	287	1843
Disraeli	251	1655
Pratchett	236	1947
Redgrave	264	1680



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News, Updates & Reminders

World Book Day – PE Arrangements

A letter went out this week inviting children to dress up for World Book Day on 5th March. One of our wonderfully organised parents asked what should happen about PE kits, given that children will be in costume. On this occasion, for children in Y1 and Y5, please send them in with their PE kits as a one-off. Although classes will be taking part in reading-focused activities, they will still need their kits for their PE session.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that from Monday, 23rd February children are to come into school wearing their PE kit on the days that they have PE. Please see below the PE days for each year group. Thank you for your support.

Year Group	PE Day
Reception	Tuesday
Year One	Thursday and Friday
Year Two	Wednesday and Friday
Year Three	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year Four	Wednesday
Year Five	Monday and Thursday
Year Six	Monday and Thursday

Eco Council and AVA Big Clean Up

On Monday, our Eco Council were joined by students from Aylesbury Vale Academy Secondary School to help litter pick in the KS2 areas of our playground. Thank you for helping to keep our school clean and tidy!



FareShare Volunteers Needed



Our school's FareShare project continues to make a real difference within our community - a huge thank-you to all of our current volunteers - and a big plea to welcome a few more volunteers to help keep it going.

Most of the tasks are small and practical, and often take around five minutes when you are already at school, such as helping set up tables, clearing away, or, if you are able and willing to drive, occasionally collecting surplus food from local supermarkets and our ever-popular KFC! Even helping once a month makes a genuine difference.

You would be joining a friendly, supportive group of parents and carers, and no prior experience is needed. The project relies on lots of small contributions coming together, and at the moment we would really value a few more people getting involved.

If you would like to help, or simply want to find out more, please contact laura.nunn@greenridgeacademy.co.uk. Thank you for supporting our FareShare project and the wider school community.

Year Three DT Plea

We are excited to let you know that our next Design and Technology topic will be **"You've Been Framed!"** As part of this unit, the children will be designing and creating their own photo frames, which they will be able to bring home once the project is completed. In line with this, please may we ask for your child to bring in a model photo frame for market research. This can be their favourite one, or the one they find most interesting. This lesson will be on the first week back: **Monday, 23rd February**. Children in Year Three have been made aware of this. Thank you.

Year Four DT Plea

As part of our Design and Technology topic we are asking children in Year Four to bring an old shirt. These will be cut up in our second DT lesson the week commencing Monday, 2nd March. Thank you in advance.

Year Six DT Plea

After half term, Year Six are designing and making their own hats. As part of this topic, we would like to evaluate existing products and complete some market research. As such, we would like to ask all year six pupils to bring in a hat for our first lesson on **Friday, 27th February**. These will be used during the afternoon and will be sent home at the end of the day. Thank you in advance.

Gymnastics Competition

On Tuesday, children in KS2 attended a gymnastics competition at Stoke Mandeville Stadium. The children were split into two teams, a year 3/4 team that consisted of Ava, Liah, Laila, Mia-Ann, Sofia C and Eva L and a year 5/6 team that consisted of Grace, Macie-Rose, Jess, Sophie K, R'Elle and Sianna. The year 5/6 team didn't place in the top 3, however the support and guidance they gave to the year 3/4 team was so important and amazing to see. Both teams showed a lot of skill during the body management routine, floor exercises and vault and Mr. Davis and Miss. Blackwell are very proud to say that the year 3/4 team finished in 1st Place! Well done to everyone that attended. Go team Green Ridge!!!



Out of School Achievements



Phoebe and Thea competed with their Cheerleading teams over the weekend at the OVO Area Wembley. Thea's team placed an impressive 2nd in a tough division of three, and Phoebe's team came 1st in a division of nine – an amazing achievement! They both had a fantastic time (despite the 4am alarm!) and are already getting ready for their next competition in Coventry.

PTA

Non-Uniform Day Donations

Thank you for all your generous donations, collected today by our volunteers. These will be used at our Summer Fete in June.

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

YouTube Controls



Over the half-term, your child(ren) may or may not be watching a tad more Youtube than normal!

This [link](#) provides guides to:

- Block specific content
- Review your child's 'watch history'
- Change content-level settings
- Manage screen time

Right of the Week Article 17

Access to Information

Access to information from the media – Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources and governments should encourage the media to provide information that children can understand. Governments must help protect children from materials that could harm them.



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)

OPAL Fun!

This half term has been another big success for Opal! The children are really enjoying all the different activities we offer, like colouring and ball games. Even though the weather hasn't always been perfect, it hasn't stopped the fun. This week, the children especially loved playing with water. We made it even more exciting by mixing in bubbles and coloured water.



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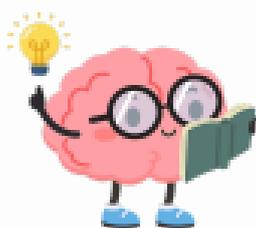
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RECEPTION

EARLY READING

Simple, practical activities to boost your child's early reading skills with story sacks



Mon 23rd Feb - Mon 23rd Mar

Tue 24th Feb - Tue 24th Mar

Thurs 26th Feb - Thurs 26th Mar

← Choose from 1
of these 3 dates



9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMER021



YEARS 1 & 2

WELLBEING

Support your child's wellbeing and learn ways to help children deal with setbacks and build their resilience, both at school and home



Tue 24th Feb - Tue 24th Mar



12:30pm - 2:30pm

Course code:
FMWB008



YEARS 1 & 2

READING & COMPREHENSION

Simple, practical activities to support your child with Reading and Comprehension



Mon 23rd Feb - Mon 23rd Mar



7pm - 9pm

← Choose from 1
of these 2 dates



Wed 25th Feb - Wed 25th Mar



9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMRC067



YEARS 1 & 2

PHONICS & READING

Simple, practical activities to support your child with Phonics and Reading



Tue 24th Feb - Tue 24th Mar



9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
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YEARS 3 & 4

WRITING

Learn how you can make writing fun with your child



Mon 23rd Feb - Mon 23rd Mar



9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
EMWG031



YEARS 3 & 4

READING & COMPREHENSION

Simple, practical activities to support your child with Reading and Comprehension



Wed 25th Feb - Wed 25th Mar



6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
FMRC059



YEARS 3 - 6

WELLBEING

Support your child's wellbeing and learn ways to help children deal with setbacks and build their resilience, both at school and home



Wed 25th Feb - Wed 25th Mar



7pm - 9pm

Course code:
FMWB020



YEARS 5 & 6

FUN WAYS TO BOOST YOUR CHILD'S GRAMMAR, VOCABULARY & PUNCTUATION

Build confidence in key grammar, punctuation, and vocabulary - to boost success at the end of KS2



Thurs 5th Mar
Thurs 12th Mar



Choose from 1
of these 2 dates



6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
EMWG033



YEARS 4, 5 & 6

EXPLORING READING AND WRITING TOGETHER- Practical Tips for Parents

Discover simple, fun ways to make reading and writing fun at home while boosting your child's confidence, creativity, and love of stories



Thursday 19th March
Thursday 26th March



Choose from 1
of these 2 dates



6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
FMRC060



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