

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Spring Term

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It's been another fantastic week here at Green Ridge!

In assembly on Monday, we spent time reflecting on the **power of forgiveness** and why it plays such an important role in our friendships, learning and wellbeing. The children talked openly about how **everyone makes mistakes** — no matter how old we are — and that making a mistake does not define who we are. What really matters is how we respond afterwards. The children showed great understanding during discussions, sharing thoughtful examples of how forgiveness can help us to feel calmer, happier and more confident

Our lunchtime playtimes continue to be a real strength of our school, thanks to the enthusiasm and leadership of our fantastic **OPAL Play Leads**. They have been busy supporting children to **work together**, include others and enjoy a wider range of play opportunities.

Inspired by the teamwork of *Warren and Wendy*, our Learning Superheroes for Working Together, the Play Leads have been **teaching playground games**, helping to organise play and modelling essential skills such as clear communication, cooperation and fair sharing. Excellent job, guys!

From everybody at Green Ridge, have a restful and happy weekend.

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Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars
Beech (Y1)	Andrea	Imogen	Charlie	Elias
Elm (Y1)	Evie	Cristian	Destiny	Heaven
Lime (Y1)	Nehal	Charlie	Sebi	Jack
Oak (Y2)	Freya	Ana	Ralph	Rithvik
Plane (Y2)	Archie	Bradley	Jeron	Sol
Spruce (Y2)	Dylan	Ivy	Filip	Evelina
Alder (Y3)	Vaibhav	Cillian	Yashwith	Vanessa
Cedar (Y3)	Shriram	Ryan	Zakariya	Teddy
Chestnut (Y3)	Jacob	Alfie	Ruben	Amber
Ash (Y4)	Sofia	Rose	Sofia T	Yatin
Rowan (Y4)	Eva	Louis	Freya	Lara
Walnut (Y4)	Willow	Arhata	Freddie M	Mikhaela
Maple (Y5)	Nikhil	Khalil	Ishaan	Ayaan
Sycamore (Y5)	Daisy B	Alyaana	Emily	Amber
Aspen (Y6)	Alainnah	Megan	Oliver	Trinity
Hawthorn (Y6)	Sophie	Kira	Malachi	Aaliyah

Attendance Award
Well done to Plane, Spruce and Hawthorn class for the highest attendance of 100% this week!

House Points		
House	Points this week	Total
Austin	136	251
Disraeli	195	254
Pratchett	162	252
Redgrave	182	250



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News, Updates & Reminders

Reading Books

As we have been changing over reading books this term, we have unfortunately had to repair a large number of them due to damage, and in some cases, books have had to be thrown away because they were no longer usable.

Please can we remind families that children should be keeping their reading books in their **green zippy wallets** to help protect them when travelling between school and home. If your child does not have a zippy wallet, please speak to their class teacher and we will be happy to provide one.

Thank you for helping us look after our books and for encouraging children to treat them with care and respect at home.

Teams Log In Update

Last week, we shared that children are now able to log in to Microsoft Teams. Our IT department has confirmed that this access is available via a web browser. Unfortunately, due to security policies, children are not permitted to use the Teams desktop application, and access is limited to the web-based version only.

Earrings During PE

For health and safety reasons, no earrings are to be worn during PE lessons. If your child can safely and independently remove studs, they may do so before the lesson. However, please note that staff are not permitted to remove or tape earrings or help in putting them back in. If your child has recently had their ears pierced and therefore cannot remove them, please tape their earrings on PE days.

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe environment for all children during PE.

Parent Forum Meeting

Just a reminder that the next Parent Forum meeting will be taking place on **Wednesday, 21st 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.

Out of School Achievements

On Sunday 11th January, Lexi and Tilly took part in their winter show with Spotlight Musical Theatre School, *One Night Only*, at Aylesbury Waterside Theatre. Lexi performed in five numbers and Tilly in two, with both girls singing and dancing beautifully. They should be incredibly proud of their hard work and performances. This was Tilly's first time performing at The Waterside, while Lexi returned for her third appearance.



PTA

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](#). We are particularly looking for parents from Year Four as we do not currently have someone for each class.

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 - Online Relationships

Children are often unsure if they are allowed to be on certain apps or sites. Ask them who they would speak to if they needed to check if they were allowed to access specific webpages. Consider choosing apps that contain messaging.

KS2 - Online Relationships

Ask your child what our school behaviour policy is. Unpick the term 'Respectful' and ask them if they can provide any examples of how they can be respectful to others online. What would they do if someone was disrespectful to them?

Right of the Week Articles 26 & 27

Social And Economic Help



Governments should provide money or other support to help children from poor families.

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

Buy Local

Support local farmers and businesses by buying locally produced products. This can reduce the environmental impact of long-distance transportation.



OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

Bubble Fun!

This week has been great for the children as they enjoyed playing in the water, especially with some bubbles added for fun! The tyres continue to be a favourite with the children creating some great games of their own. It's wonderful to see them having such a good time. Please remember to send your child with wellies if they have them, as we like to go outside in all kinds of weather.



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SATURDAY MORNING FOOTBALL

Years 3 to 5

Reception Class
to Year 2

9am-9.50am

10am-10.50am

NEWCOMERS ARE WELCOME TO USE
THE 1ST SESSION AS A FREE TRIAL



Course Details

24th January to 21st March

No Sessions: 21st Feb & 28th Feb

Cost: £38.75 for 7 weeks

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[football-for-all/](http://gameonsportscoaching.co.uk/football-for-all/)

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