

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

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## Happy Friday!

We brought our World Book Day celebrations to a wonderful close with a fantastic performance of *The Wizard of Oz* by M&M Productions. The children were completely enthralled—there was laughter, music, and plenty of wide-eyed excitement! It was a brilliant way to end a week filled with reading joy and creativity.

Our Year 1 pupils enjoyed an unforgettable experience on their horse-riding trip this week. They learned about caring for the horses, had a chance to meet the ponies up close, and proudly experienced their first rides. The children showed great confidence, curiosity, and kindness throughout the visit. Thank you to all parents and carers who were willing and able to join.

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA, whose ongoing support helps us offer these enriching experiences to our pupils. Their dedication makes a real difference to school life, and we are so grateful for all they do. They have not only funded the performance and contributed to the Horse Riding this week but also provided the always popular cinema event. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to the children of Green Ridge.

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## Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars	Book Token Winner
<b>Beech (Y1)</b>	Beech class	Jack	Alila	Ayra	Charlie
<b>Elm (Y1)</b>	Elm Class	Eylas	Maria	Sophie	Ayaan
<b>Lime (Y1)</b>	Oscar	Inaya	Jack	Tommy	Sebi
<b>Oak (Y2)</b>	Daisy	Freya	Joshua	Ralph	Tejash
<b>Plane (Y2)</b>	Yuvan	Ati	Freddie	Ben	Nina
<b>Spruce (Y2)</b>	Filip	Fearne	Cameron	James	Anya
<b>Alder (Y3)</b>	Teddy	Bonnie	Ethan R	Lily-Rose	Vaibhav
<b>Cedar (Y3)</b>	Sidvik	Sajini	Vincent	Thea	Nicholas
<b>Chestnut (Y3)</b>	Dylan	Darcey	Mia-Ann	Harley	Julia
<b>Ash (Y4)</b>	Alessia	Poppy	Gabby	Lekshana	Matteo
<b>Rowan (Y4)</b>	Harlee	Abigail	Maggie	Amelia	Kendrick
<b>Walnut (Y4)</b>	Hettie	Alexandra	Willow	Rian	Thirish
<b>Maple (Y5)</b>	Archie	Yashvi	Connor	Katie	Sophia
<b>Sycamore (Y5)</b>	R'elle	Jack	Reggie	Daniel	Daisy B
<b>Aspen (Y6)</b>	Esmay	Quinn	Jake	Harry W	Isabelle
<b>Hawthorn (Y6)</b>	Ezra	Ella	Malachi	Manya	Elise

Attendance Award
Well done to Aspen class for the highest attendance of 98.7% this week!

House Points		
House	Points this week	Total
Austin	222	405
Disraeli	224	563
Pratchett	178	490
Redgrave	214	514



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## News, Updates & Reminders

### Red Nose Day



Don't forget that on **Friday, 20th March** we will be celebrating Red Nose Day by holding a non-uniform day. We are asking for a **£1.00** donation and would ask that children wear an item of red clothing where possible. Please

note that there is no pressure to wear red clothing, children can come to school in their own clothes if they wish. Children may also wear a red nose if they have purchased one prior to the event.

### World Book Day Panto – 'The Wizard of Oz'

On Monday, the children in Years One to Six were treated to a wonderful theatre performance of The Wizard of Oz, presented by [M&M Theatrical Productions](#) and generously funded by our fantastic PTA. The children thoroughly enjoyed this memorable experience, and we are very grateful to the PTA for their continued support, which enables us to organise such special events for the children to enjoy.

### New Website Photos

As the preparations continue for our new website, we will be taking new photos of children and our school next Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March. Please could you ensure that your child comes to school in full uniform (or PE kit if it is their PE day) on this day.

### SEND Coffee Afternoon

We are inviting parents/carers to join us for our SEND coffee afternoon on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm. Mrs. Cavanagh will be leading an engaging session guiding us through the principles of therapy and demonstrating what it looks like in practice. We look forward to seeing you there!

### The Green Ridge Gazette

Today marks an exciting milestone at Green Ridge as we launch our very first school newspaper, The Green Ridge Gazette. Written by our fantastic Head Pupils and put together by Mr. Ladyman, this first edition celebrates all the wonderful things happening across our school. Inside, children will find articles about what classes have been learning, updates on our new Forest School, competitions to take part in, and even a feature on the staff Traitors game. Copies are available in the library. Children

can pick one up as they pass through or during their weekly library session, and they may choose to bring them home to share with you. It is a wonderful achievement for everyone involved. Well done to our brilliant young journalists!



### Parent Forum Meeting Minutes

Mr. Ladyman met with the Parent Forum representatives on Wednesday, and the meeting minutes can be found [here](#).

Our next Parent Forum meeting will be taking place on **Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May** 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.

### Ready Steady Read/Listen

If your child has taken part in the sponsored read/listen, we would like to remind you to send the money in by **Monday, 16<sup>th</sup>**



**March** to the office for the attention of Miss. Gordon.

Thank you to all the children who have taken part in Ready Steady Read/Listen and for sending in your sponsorship money and minutes.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to having lots more books for your child to read, share and enjoy!

### Year One DT Resources Plea

This half term, Year One are designing and making bridges in DT. To help with this project, we are collecting **cereal boxes, cardboard, toilet roll tubes, and other clean recyclable materials.**

If you are able to donate any of these items, please send them in with your child by **Wednesday, 18th March.** Thank you very much for your support!

### Out of School Achievements



Bella recently competed in a Taekwondo competition where she bravely faced all the boys in her age category for sparring and proudly earned a bronze medal. She also achieved a silver trophy for her patterns, helping her Taekwondo school, Powell Academy, secure an

impressive 6th place overall out of 43 Taekwondo schools and more than 200 students competing.

Bella worked incredibly hard and was extremely proud of her achievements. She is already looking forward to her next competition this Sunday and we wish her the very best of luck!

### Boys & Girls Football Fixture

On Monday, the year Five and Six girls football team played an away match to Waddesdon. Unfortunately, we lost 3-1, however the last time we played Waddesdon we lost 5-0. This shows how much the girls have improved since the beginning of the season. the game was a lot closer this time around with some very good chances created by us and a lot of the game played in the oppositions half. Well done girls!

The year Five and Six boys football team beat top of the league St Mary's on Thursday. After going 1-0 down the boys showed amazing unity and determination to come back and win 3-1. Well done Jamie for your 2 goals and Jake for scoring your first goal for the team. This result means we are 3 points behind St Mary's with them having played all

of their matches while we still have 2 matches left to play. Go Team Green Ridge!!!

## PTA

### Cinema Club – Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> March

Don't forget to book tickets for our Cinema Club on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March, go to [www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta) to book. The deadline is 18<sup>th</sup> March.

Please don't forget to sign up to help as we cannot do this without your help and we are grateful for the time you give us to make it possible to run these events. Thank you for your support.

### 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

### KS1 – Managing Online Information

Explain to your child that, even when we use child-friendly search engines like Kiddle or YouTube Kids, we may still see things that we don't like. How would we respond? Who could we talk to about this?

### KS2 – Managing Online Information

Talk to your child about online advertisements and 'influencers'. Explain that these people are often paid to advertise a product and they may not necessarily use it or believe in it themselves. Every social media post must reference 'AD' in some way if they are being paid to advertise a product.

## Right of the Week Article 42

### Everyone Must Know Children's Rights

Governments should actively tell children and adults about this Convention so that everyone knows about children's rights.



## Sustainability Tip of the Week

### Save Our Water!

Encourage your household to wet their toothbrush, turn off the tap, brush, and then only turn the tap on again for rinsing. It's a small habit that can make a big difference in water conservation.



## OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

### Outdoor Play

The children had a wonderful week playing outside during lunchtime. Even though the weather was up and down they still enjoyed their lunchtime play. We are excited to be adding some new and exciting equipment next week, so watch this space.





# SEND COFFEE AFTERNOON

JOIN US FOR AN ENGAGING SESSION WITH MRS CAVANAGH, WHO WILL BE GUIDING US THROUGH THE PRINCIPLES OF THERAPLAY AND DEMONSTRATING WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE IN PRACTICE.



2:30PM -  
3:15PM



TUESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup>  
MARCH 2026



THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS OF GREEN RIDGE AND THERE IS NO NEED TO BOOK



Week 1 - 31st-2nd April

Week 2 - 7th-9th April



# Easter Camps Multi sport & 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 *Matilda!!*

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)

