

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Spring Term

Issue 21

Friday, 27th February 2026

Welcome back!

We hope you all enjoyed a restful and refreshing half-term break. It has been wonderful to see the children return with such enthusiasm and readiness for learning. We are incredibly proud of the focus, kindness, and curiosity they have shown throughout this busy first week back.

Our Year 6 children have shown exceptional maturity as they continue their preparations for SATs. Their eagerness to challenge themselves and showcase their learning has been inspiring. We are very proud of each and every one of them.

Year 2 had a wonderful visit from a Rabbi this week as part of their RE learning. The children asked thoughtful questions and were fascinated to learn more about Jewish beliefs, traditions, and celebrations. It was a truly enriching experience.

As part of their Wildlife Warriors 11 Before 11 project, Year 4 pupils rolled up their sleeves and got creative designing and making bird boxes. Their teamwork, perseverance, and care for local wildlife were fantastic to see. A huge thank you to Mr. Gardiner for offering his time and expert craftsmanship!

Wishing you a happy, safe weekend.

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Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars
Beech (Y1)	Annisa	Jamie	Delilah	Ibrahim
Elm (Y1)	Destiny	Ayaan	Maahil	Kyanah
Lime (Y1)	Mikail	Sienna	Arthur	Josie
Oak (Y2)	Teijash	Ezra	Ana	Phoebe
Plane (Y2)	Kian	Sreeyan	Zayyan	Saanvy
Spruce (Y2)	Ibrahim	Hazel	Elijah	Jack
Alder (Y3)	Helena	Ethan H	Roman	Tommy
Cedar (Y3)	Zunairah	Idris	Alexander G	Olivia
Chestnut (Y3)	Dharvi	Julia	Anastasia	Alicja
Ash (Y4)	Ayyoub	Thinothi	Yatin	Rose
Rowan (Y4)	Amirah	Eva	Nuredah	Alfie
Walnut (Y4)	Adam	Esme	Gabriel	Emily
Maple (Y5)	Roseanna	Adam	Enoch	Alayna
Sycamore (Y5)	Alfie	Aaliyah	Jack	Ana
Aspen (Y6)	Jess	Esmay	Heidi	Aisha
Hawthorn (Y6)	Lily-Sue	Grace	Elise	Lewis

Attendance Award

Well done to Oak class for the highest attendance of 100% this week!

House Points

House	Points this week	Total
Austin	192	192
Disraeli	207	207
Pratchett	166	166
Redgrave	229	229



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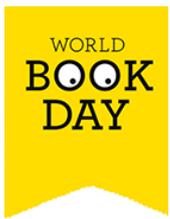
News, Updates & Reminders

Staffing Update

As you may know, last term we said goodbye to Ms. West, who oversaw all things attendance and medical. We were fortunate to appoint Miss. Fox as our new Attendance Medical Officer, who has worked at Green Ridge since 2021. We feel extremely lucky as Miss. Fox already knows the school and our children and families well and brings a wealth of medical expertise.

Miss. Fox has already begun in her new position and will be in the office each morning should you need to speak to her. As you also see attached, we have updated our 'Who to Contact' document, which now includes a new email address specifically for parents and carers who need to communicate about medical queries, medical related absences, or any similar matters.

World Book Day



This year to celebrate World Book Day, on **Thursday, 5th March** we are inviting the children to come to dress up as their favourite well-known book character. We want to assure you that there is **no** requirement to go out and purchase costumes – we would much rather the children come in as characters from books, which do not require you to purchase a brand-new outfit. For some easy ideas for character costumes that you might have at home please click [here](#). Equally if your child would rather not dress up at all, there is no pressure, they can come to school in their bed-time comfy pyjamas.

This year there will not be a competition for dressing up as we would like the focus to be around enjoying and celebrating reading. Instead, we welcome children to bring in one of their favourite books to share in school with a buddy during the day. We look forward to seeing the children dressed up celebrating our love of reading.

Good News

Some exciting news from Alayna and Sophia: We are delighted to inform you that, thanks to Berryfield's Parish Council, we will soon be receiving an outdoor book swap. The book swap will have books for all ages, including adults, and will be located outside of Green Ridge for the whole

community to share. We will announce its official opening as soon as we can! Thank you.

Parent Forum Meeting

Just a reminder that the next Parent Forum meeting will be taking place on **Wednesday, 11th March** at **2.15pm**.

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.

Green Ridge – Year Six Careers Day!

We are hosting our annual 'Careers Day' for the Year Six pupils. We are asking for volunteers within the community to spend some time speaking with the children about their job and we are hoping for as much variety as possible!

For more information, or if you would like to offer your support, please send an email to Tom Arnold via admin@greenridgeacademy.co.uk. Thank you in advance for your support.

Reception 100 Days of School

Today our children in Reception celebrated a special milestone, 100 days of school. To mark this achievement the children decorated a T-shirt to represent 100 days of learning. They took part in some 100 themed activities such as games, songs and making crowns for a parade showcasing their creative T-shirts. We are so impressed with their amazing decorations and the imaginative ways the children chose to celebrate 100 days of learning at Green Ridge



Football Fixtures

The Year Five and Six Girls football team played an away match against Thomas Hickman on Wednesday. They worked so hard to keep it a close game but unfortunately conceded a couple of unlucky goals from a penalty and a free kick. The Girls are showing improvement in every game, and this week Sophie scored our first goal of the season. The game ended in a 3-1 loss but the scoreline doesn't reflect how well the Girls played.

Yesterday the Year Five and Six Boys football team played an away match against Buckingham Park and gave another strong performance with a 5-0 win. We had a goal from Oskar, two from Enoch and two from Jamie. Our next match is the cup semi final against Waddesdon which Mr. Davies, Mr. Meachen and the Boys are so excited for. Go Team Green Ridge!!!

Out of School Achievements



Heidi, who attends the Aylesbury Performing Arts Centre, took to the stage with her inter musical theatre group to perform songs from *Oliver!* — including the lively “Food Glorious Food” and the heartwarming “Consider Yourself.”

They performed at the Chesham Arts Festival, held at the Elgiva Theatre, where the group achieved an incredible second place, bringing home a **silver** medal! Heidi danced brilliantly and gave her absolute best performance — what an achievement! She should be so proud of her hard work, talent, and dedication.

After an exciting week at ski school, Emma successfully completed her final race in the Italian Dolomites and even brought home a medal! She is incredibly proud of what she has accomplished, and her love for skiing continued to grow with every run. What a wonderful way to spend the half term and a lovely memory to cherish!



PTA

Easter Competitions

The PTA are delighted to invite your child to take part in Green Ridge's Annual Easter Bonnet (Early Years & KS1) or Egg Decorating (KS2) Competition on **Friday, 27th March 2026**.

To take part, simply ask your child to decorate a bonnet or egg (we suggest hard boiling them first!) and bring it to school with them on Friday, 27th March.

An independent adjudicator will judge the competition, and the winning child in each class will take home a prize. There will also be a runner-up awarded in each class.

On the day we ask for a donation of £2.00 for your child to enter, this will be collected in the morning when the children come into school.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing the children's creations!

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.

Online Safety Tip of the Week

Online Gaming

Online gaming is more popular than ever; it is a great opportunity for your children to have some 'me time' and enjoy playing online with their friends. You can ensure they are doing this safely and responsibly, by:

- Checking the age ratings of the games they are playing (ask to watch or join in to make it feel less invasive)
- Controlling the messaging function
- Ensuring your card details are not stored on your child's devices (the last thing you want is a £1,000 bill for some in-game purchases!)
- Looking out for scams
- Knowing how to 'report'
- Where to get further support – you could begin with this [link](#).

Right of the Week Article 26 & 27

Social and Economic Help



Every Child has the right to benefit from social security. Governments must provide social security, including financial support and other benefits, to families in need of assistance.

Food, Clothing, A Safe Home

Every child has the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical and social needs and support their development.



Governments must help families who cannot afford to provide this.

Sustainability Tip of the Week

Think Twice Before Binning It!

Before throwing out broken items, consider giving them a second chance through repair. Encourage your children to learn the value of resourcefulness and sustainability by involving them in the repair process. Explore local organisations and charities like the Repair Cafe, where skilled volunteers can help breathe new life into damaged goods. Not only does this teach children the importance of reducing waste, but it also fosters a sense of community and appreciation for craftsmanship. So, next time something breaks, think twice before binning it – you might just discover the joy of giving old items a new lease on life.

REPAIR CAFE

<https://www.buckinghamrepaircafe.org/>

OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

OPAL Plea

We are always looking for more ways to add to the children's play, therefore we are asking for any pots, pans, utensils (in good use) that you no longer need for our small world area. We are also looking for more toys to enhance the children's play. If you are able to donate any, please bring them to the school office for the attention of Mrs. Tong. Thank you!





Green Ridge - Y6 Careers Day!

Community Volunteers Needed!

Green Ridge Primary Academy is hosting our annual 'Careers Day' for the Year Six pupils.

We are asking for volunteers within the community to spend some time speaking to the children about their job and we are hoping for as much variety as possible!

For more information, or if you would like to offer your support, please send an email to Tom Arnold using the email address below.

Friday, 3rd
July 2026 (9-11:30)

Email:

admin@greenridgeacademy.co.uk

Any local businesses' outreach will be shared via the school's social media platforms!





Buckinghamshire Family Learning

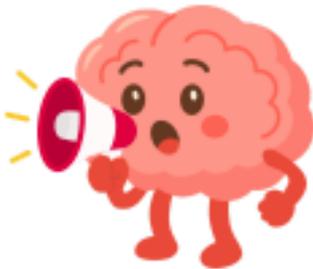


FREE

ONLINE SCHOOL COURSES for PARENTS and CARERS

YEARS 5 & 6

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



COURSE CODE: EMWG033

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

SCAN ME



YEARS 4, 5 & 6

EXPLORING READING AND WRITING TOGETHER - PRACTICAL TIPS FOR PARENTS



Course code: EMRC060

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



Thurs 19th Mar
Thurs 26th Mar



Choose from 1
of these 2 dates



6:30pm - 8:30pm

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