

WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Summer Term

Issue 31

Friday, 21st June 2024

A note from the Headteacher

It's been a busy week at Green Ridge this week, which has flown by. We were very excited to welcome the staff and pupils from Grundschule Stahrigen Primary School in Germany last weekend, who remained with us until the end of Tuesday. The Academy Parliament and Head Pupils did a fantastic job of getting to know the German pupils over the few days, and I know the pupils and staff enjoyed every bit of their visit. The pupils went into lessons, came into assemblies, dressed in our uniform, and experienced our BBQ and Fish and Chips as well! What was wonderful to see was how welcoming our entire school community was, and just how impactful a few days had. Pupils even exchanged contact details, so that they could continue to get to know one another and practice some of their language skills too. We hope that some of our Green Ridge staff will visit Germany in the autumn term, and then if funding is agreed, some of our Green Ridge pupils next spring.

Our Early Years sports morning and picnic was a great success on Tuesday (and luckily the weather was on our side). The children did brilliantly, and my thanks to Mr. Collard, Mr. Davis and Miss. South for their organisation of this. We also welcomed Kylie Grimes as a paralympic athlete to school on Monday who inspired the pupils with her journey into sport. Year One had a fantastic trip to Southend-on-Sea yesterday and enjoyed their time on the beach and some paddling too.

Next Wednesday evening, we have many staff who have been nominated and are finalists in the Buckinghamshire School Awards taking place at the Wycombe Swan. We look forward to sharing the outcomes of this next week with you and celebrating the achievements of our community.

Mr. Aaron Wanford
Headteacher

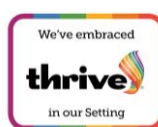


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Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars
Birch (YR)	Alexander	Vihaan	Aliza	-
Hazel (YR)	Sreeyan	Sahara	Bella	-
Willow (YR)	James	Sithara	Oliver	-
Beech (Y1)	Kai U	Ronnie	Lily-Rose	Ethan H
Elm (Y1)	Mark	Sophia	Jack	Aleksander
Lime (Y1)	Aaron	Roman	Mara	Dylan
Oak (Y2)	Anhad	Ayyoub	Kiyansh	Louis
Plane (Y2)	Abigail	Ritusan	Ravi	Myra
Alder (Y3)	Ayaan	Layla A	Enoch	Adam
Cedar (Y3)	Ana	Archie	Lily	Reggie
Ash (Y4)	Gwennie	Oscar	Elise	Grace
Rowan (Y4)	Harry B	Darcey CC	Diya	Aisha
Maple (Y5)	Kobe	Casey	Lissy	Izzy
Sycamore (Y5)	Ellie and Logan	Harry	Jacob	Roman
Aspen (Y6)	Luke	Alfie	Maddison	Amelia
Hawthorn (Y6)	Keyan-Lee	Kian	Naba	Eva

Attendance Award

Well done to Elm class for the highest attendance of 98% this week!

House Points

House	Points this week	Total
Austin	295	9227
Disraeli	404	8163
Pratchett	335	8101
Redgrave	276	9291



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News, Updates & Reminders

Parent Forum Meeting – Tuesday, 25th June

Just a reminder that the next Parent Forum meeting will be taking place on **Tuesday, 25th June** 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.

Aqua Vale School Swimming Offer!

Off the back of the RLSS UK's Drowning Prevention Week, Aqua Vale are offering a free family swim (for up to 5 people) when joining their Swim School classes. Please quote WATER SAFETY when making a booking through their Aquatics Coordinators, Neve and Chris via email. Neve.preedy1@serco.com or Christopher.hawkes@serco.com. This offer is available up until the 30th June 2024.

Sun Safe Schools

You can find the UV forecast for the next few days below. If the UV forecast is 3 or above, children should have sun cream applied and be provided with a hat and sunglasses to further protect themselves. It is not just about how sunny it is as there can be a high UV on a cloudy day. Please follow this [link](#) to check the forecast each day.



PTA

Key Dates Coming Up...

PTA Event	Date
PTA End of Year Discos	Friday, 5 th July

Summer Disco!

It's time to get those party clothes on and throw some shapes! It's disco time! Go to www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta to buy a ticket and the

additional snack pack! As with all our events we do need volunteers so please sign up and help out.

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. 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 4,400 online retailers involved including John Lewis, Amazon, Moonpig, Justeat, 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!

Now with the Donation Reminder on your iPhone and iPad its even easier!

Simply download their app and enable the Donation Reminder feature on your 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 don't forget when shopping to use Easyfundraising!



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Online Safety Tip of the Week

Health, Well-Being and Lifestyle – KS1

Can your child explain to you how online rules keep them safe and healthy? Use things such as parental controls blocking websites as a discussion prompt.

Health, Well-Being and Lifestyle – KS2

Can your child create a set of instructions/tips for children in younger years to follow when going online? Focus mainly on managing screen time and dealing with things online that we encounter that can impact our well-being.

Right of the Week Article 31

Rest, Play, Culture and Arts

This week, we reminded the children of article 31. Children have the right to rest, relax, play and take part in cultural activities. Our 'pupil passports' promote this, especially by exploring the local area and completing 11B411 activities.

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.



Safeguarding Tip of the Week

PREVENT – Radicalisation

Although rare, increased online activity and feelings of stress and isolation may be exploited by online groomers to target vulnerable children and young people – including extremist influences seeking to radicalise vulnerable people.

Online exploitation is often hard to recognise. Sometimes there are clear warning signs - in other cases the changes are less obvious. Although some of these traits may be quite common among teenagers, taken together they could indicate that your child may need help. The [Let's Talk About It](#) website lists some of these signs.

You know your child best and you will want to speak with them first. Check in with them and ask about what they are viewing, who they are speaking to and how they are feeling. "Prevent" can help your child get support to move away from harmful influences.



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Important Dates & Events

Summer Term 2

Tuesday 25 th June	9.00am – Parent Forum Meeting
Wednesday 26 th June	2.30pm – Y4 Rowan Class Assembly
Thursday 27 th June	2.30pm – Y4 Ash Class Assembly
Friday 5 th July	Lower School (Y1-Y3) Sports Morning 12.00pm – Sports Day Picnic Lunch Upper School (Y4-Y6) Sports Afternoon
Friday 12 th July	3.15-4.00pm – 11B411 Perfect a Pitch (Y6 pupils) selling products
Tuesday 16 th July	2.00pm – UKS2 Production to Parents/Carers
Wednesday 17 th July	2.00pm – UKS2 Production to Parents/Carers
Thursday 18 th July	4.30pm – Y6 Leavers BBQ
Friday 19 th July	2.00pm – Y6 Leavers Assembly (Y6 Parents/Carers Only)



We need you!

We are looking for people to get involved in films that we are creating for our website. We need people to help with research, information and maybe even to be part of the film.

Are you...

A peer mentor trained by Bucks Mind?

The parent of a peer mentor trained by Bucks Mind?

A member of staff at a school supported by Bucks Mind?



If you would like to know more,
please email:

cyp@bucksmind.org.uk

If you are under 18 we will need to be
contacted by a parent or guardian.