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A note from the Headteacher

On our third and final attempt today, Sports Day for Y1-Y6 took place today! Thank you for your patience and understanding in the re-arrangements. The children did brilliantly, and it was so great to have the whole community together, especially for the picnic lunch too. I am so proud of all the children for taking part and having a go – it can be daunting in front of so many people, particularly if sports and PE are not always your favourite subjects. We have future talented sports men and women among the children at Green Ridge, and this was evident in some of the races we saw. Well done to everybody.

Our annual reports were sent home this week, and I hope that you have found them useful in helping you to understand your child's achievements and progress over the last year. Our Year Six SATs results were released on Tuesday, and those outcomes have been shared with parents and carers individually. As a school, we are extremely proud of our overall results which demonstrate that 71% of our pupils in Year Six achieved the expected standard or higher in reading, and 27% of the cohort achieved the greater depth standard. In writing, 71% of the pupils achieved the expected standard, with 23% achieving a greater depth, and in maths, 77% achieved the expected standard or higher, and 26% achieved the greater depth standard. Overall, this means we had 65% of pupils achieving a combined expected standard or better in reading, writing and maths, and 18% combined for greater depth. National headlines indicate that our combined outcomes are above, which is testament to the hard work for all the pupils and staff. We know that SATs results are not the be-all and end-all for our pupils, and there is far more to Green Ridge than just outcomes, like our personal development curriculum. We are very proud of all our children for giving their best in the SATs, and most importantly, for doing themselves proud.

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Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars
Birch (YR)	Rithvik	Ollie	Ammina	-
Hazel (YR)	Joey	Saanvy	Zayyan	-
Willow (YR)	lvy	Reggie	Sophia	-
Beech (Y1)	Bonnie	Caleb	Sherwin	Helena
Elm (Y1)	Thea	Kasim	ldris	Karta
Lime (Y1)	Jacob	Pranav	Anastasia	Alicja
Oak (Y2)	Lillie	Alfie	Phoebe	Ranen
Plane (Y2)	Lakshan	Olivia	Livia	Freddie M
Alder (Y3)	Leila D	Tallulah	Willow	Riyon
Cedar (Y3)	Zoe	Prahathi	Noah	Jack
Ash (Y4)	Manya	Lily-Sue	Jayden	Ethan
Rowan (Y4)	Ria	Shaylan	Darcey CC	Macie-Rose
Maple (Y5)	Sreejan	Preesha	Megan	James
Sycamore (Y5)	Wynnie	Oliver	Miggy	Amelia Y
Aspen (Y6)	Kayden	Harry	Luke	Kyi-Michael
Hawthorn (Y6)	Shaun	Ema	Max	Dexter

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Well done to Rowan class for the highest attendance of 99% this week!

House Points				
House	Points this week	Total		
Austin	339	10216		
Disraeli	247	9188		
Pratchett	276	9152		
Redgrave	275	10184		



News, Updates & Reminders

Return of pupils' exercise books

On Wednesday, 18th July, children will start to bring home their workbooks from this academic year. This will be a fantastic opportunity for you to see the work the



children have completed throughout the year. Please can we ask that you send your child in to school with a reusable strong bag on this date to help them carry their books home. There are quite a few books per child so please send them in with the same bag on Thursday, 19th July, as we will spread the load over the two days. Thank you!

Enrichment Club Bookings and Reminders

Just a reminder that moving forward you are no longer required to top up your child's Arbor account in advance to pay for enrichment clubs. We were unaware how clubs would display when they reached capacity, therefore we can understand and appreciate the confusion around being unable to select the membership term section. We constantly feedback to Arbor regarding things that can make the booking process smoother and we have made them aware that showing when a club is at capacity would be beneficial.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that enrichment clubs for the summer term have now ended. Please collect your child/ren at the normal time of 3.15/3.20pm.

Parent/Carer Volunteers for 2024/25



Ahead of September we are on the lookout for some new volunteers to add to our small but mighty army of parent/carer volunteers

who already help us with many, many jobs and tasks around the school.

If you would like to put your name forward and can give at least half a day a week on a regular basis,

please come to the main office, we will be happy to provide you with an application form.

We would like to thank you in advance for any time and support that you are able to provide.

Lost Property

Next week the lost property trolley will be in the lobby of the main school entrance in the mornings between 8.35-9.00am and afternoons between 3.00-3.30pm. Any items left at the end of day on Friday, 19th July will be donated to charity.

Bikes and Scooters on the School Premises

Polite reminder for Parents and Carers to remind their children to dismount from bikes and scooters once they reach the school gates and continue their journey on foot. We really appreciate your support with this. Thank you.

FareShare – Thank You for Your Support and a

Call for Volunteers!
As the school year comes to a close, we want to extend our heartfelt



gratitude to everyone who has contributed to the Green Ridge FareShare programme. Whether you have collected waste food from a supermarket, set up tables, grabbed your family a bag of KFC or given your child's teacher a bunch of flowers, you have all made a significant impact on our community, helping to ensure that no one goes without, and helped to improve our community's carbon footprint.

A special thank you goes to Katie Kann, who has been with FareShare at Green Ridge since its inception, and now moves on as her youngest goes off to secondary school. Katie's unwavering commitment and hard work has been instrumental to the success of FareShare - thank you from us all.

As we look ahead to next term, we really need more volunteers to join our efforts. Your time and skills can make a world of difference. Whether you can help out regularly or just occasionally, we welcome all contributions. Full instructions and a rota will be supplied - there is no commitment to help a certain number of sessions per term - just whatever you're

able to do. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact

laura.nunn@greenridgeacademy.co.uk.

Please note FareShare at Green Ridge will not be operating over the summer holiday. Our local foodbank is at Roman Park Hall: https://www.berryfields-pc.gov.uk/foodbank.

Volunteers allowing, Green Ridge's FareShare project will resume in September.

Thank you once again for your kindness and generosity. Together, we are making a difference!

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 <u>link</u> to check the forecast each day.











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Summer Disco

The disco last week was a great success and there was lots of fabulous dancing throughout the evening! A big thank you to our Volunteers who helped out across the three sessions.

Second-Hand Uniform

If you are having a clear out of uniform that your child has grown out of at the end of term, please consider donating any unwanted unform and PE kit (excluding shirts, tights and shoes) to the PTA to be sold to raise additional funds for the school.

If you need the next size up, please look at our shop, www.pta-funds.co.uk/greenridgepta and place an order. We have everything from jumpers to trousers to PE kits. We also have a variety of uniform for Little Ridges.

Please note the last order date to receive your order before the end of term is **Wednesday**, **10**th **July**. All orders placed after this date will **not** be fulfilled until the school reopens in September.

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!



Online Safety Tip of the Week

Parental Controls

With the summer holidays fast approaching, the children will naturally be on their devices more frequently than during term time.

On the school's website (Parents/Carers – Online Safety – Online Safety Support for Parents and Carers) there is a range of guides to setting restrictions on devices.

If you would like any further guidance or support before the holidays, Mr Arnold would be more than happy to help if you send an email request in.

Right of the Week Articles 43-54

Respect for Children's Views

This week, we reminded the children how important their collective 'voice' is. We conduct pupil voice across all subjects and ensure the pupil leadership teams help action anything the children request.



Children have the right to give their opinions freely on issues that affect them. Adults should listen and take children seriously.

Sustainability Tip of the Week

Support Sustainable Transport

Whenever possible, encourage walking, cycling, park and stride or using public transport instead of

relying solely on cars to get to school. Car shares with other families can also help reduce carbon

traffic congestion.

This of course

contributes towards

emissions and

getting our Travel Tracker badges too!

Safeguarding Tip of the Week

Keeping Safe around Strangers





Important Dates & Events

Summer Term 2

Tuesday 16 th July	2.00pm – UKS2 Production to Parents/Carers (Y5 & Y6 Parents/Carers Only)
Wednesday 17 [™] July	2.00pm – UKS2 Production to Parents/Carers (Y5 & Y6 Parents/Carers Only)
Thursday 18 th July	4.30pm – Y6 Leavers BBQ
Friday 19 th July	2.00pm – Y6 Leavers Assembly (Y6 Parents/Carers Only) Children finish for End of Term



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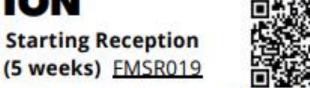
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RECEPTION

Support Your Autistic Child at Home Workshop FMAC134

Thursday 10 October, 9:30am-11:30am



- Monday 23 September, 9:30am-11:30am
- Tuesday 24 September, 9:30am-11:30am
- Wednesday 25 September, 9:30am-11:30am









YEARS 1&2



Support Your Child with Homework Workshops FMHW028

- Monday 16 September, 7pm-9pm
- Tuesday 17 September, 12:30pm-2:30pm
- Thursday 19 September, 9:30am-11:30am





YEARS 1&2

Support Your Child with Maths: Number (5-weeks) FMWB024

- Monday 23 September, 7pm-9pm
- Tuesday 24 September, 12:30pm-2:30pm
- Wednesday 25 September, 9:30am-11:30am
- Thursday 26 September, 9:30am-11:30am

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YEARS 1&2

Support Your Child's Wellbeing (5-weeks) FMWB008

Tuesday 24 September, 12:30pm-2:30pm



YEARS 3&4

Support Your Child with Maths: Numbers (5-weeks) FMMN026

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- Monday 23 September, 9:30am-11:30am
- Tuesday 24 September, 12:30pm-2:30pm
- Wednesday 25 September, 12:30pm-2:30pm
- Thursday 26 September, 6:30pm-8:30pm





YEARS 5&6

Support Your Child with Maths: Number (5 weeks) FMMN086

- Wednesday 25 September, 6:30pm-8:30pm
- Thursday 26 September, 9:30am-11:30am

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