

Autumn Term Issue 6 Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024

### A note from the Head of school

This week has been a very busy week at Green Ridge! We have continued to explore inspirational people during our Black History Month project across the school. Each class has created pieces of work and a biography of their key person and made a display in their classroom window. Each class will have an opportunity to take a walk of the school and learn about black people who were the first to do something incredible!

Year Five had an amazing day on Tuesday where they explored the Ancient Egyptian civilization through lots of practical activities and workshops. Children got to dress up, bake bread, create perfume and explore the mummification process! We love making learning as real as possible for children at Green Ridge as this is an amazing way to make learning stick. I think Year Five will be talking about that workshop day for a long time to come.

Thank you for our Year One families who attended or donated towards our Harvest Festival on Wednesday. We had a record amount of donations which will be sent to our local food bank on Berryfields to help those in need. We are very proud to be able to contribute to our community in this way and the KS1 children did a brilliant job of explaining what harvest is all about during their performance.

Miss. Libby Thomassen Head of school











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# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

### Celebrations & Achievements

	Certificate of Achievement	Certificate of Progress	Superhero Shake	PAP Stars
Beech (Y1)	Luna	Ibrahim	Fearne	Bianka
Elm (Y1)	Alayya	Nola	Florence	Sol
Lime (Y1)	Daisy	Callie	Vivian	Ellie-May
Oak (Y2)	Teddy	Helena	Bonnie	Nikola
Plane (Y2)	Alexander G	Teddy	Nariah	Shriram
Spruce (Y2)	Alicja	Julia	Roman	Edward
Alder (Y3)	Jaxon	Hettie	Darcy	Dwiti
Cedar (Y3)	Nathaniel	Lakshan	Gabrielle	Freya
Ash (Y4)	Riyon	Archie	Tallulah	Maisie G
Rowan (Y4)	Santiago	Emily	Sianna	Ingrid
Maple (Y5)	lmogen	Skylar	Lily-Sue	Aaliyah
Sycamore (Y5)	Elias	Jonathon	Darcey M	Diya
Aspen (Y6)	Bella	Lincoln	Kiera	lnaya
Hawthorn (Y6)	Lissy	James	Ayaan	Megan

Attendance A	Award
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Well done to Plane and Maple class for the highest attendance of 99% this week!

House Points					
House	Points this week	Total			
Austin	236	1201			
Disraeli	269	1196			
Pratchett	220	1142			
Redgrave	256	1216			



### WEEKLY ROUND-UP

### News, Updates & Reminders

#### Meet Izzy - One of Our Head Pupils



My name is Izzy, and I am one of the newly appointed head pupils of Green Ridge. It is such an amazing opportunity to be a head pupil, and I am very grateful for it. I have been at the school since reception, and I have seen the school considerably grow.

As a head pupil, I am looking forward to working with the pupils to make sure the school is the best it can possibly be. My favourite subject is English, and I love reading in my spare time. I also enjoy History as I find the topics very interesting. I am a very passionate swimmer and a current member of Aylesbury and District Swim Club. I have also represented Green Ridge in the school swim team, and I really enjoyed it.

I have been lucky enough to attend Young Voices Choir for the past two years and I am really looking forward to attending again in February. I can't wait to be an ambassador for the school and to help everyone in the Green Ridge community as much as I can.

#### **HCL** Winter Menu

We are delighted to share that from Monday,  $4^{th}$  November the new HCL Winter menu will go live. There are some exciting new editions like Egg Breakfast Muffin and Harry Ramsden's Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake. We have attached the new menu to the newsletter for you to have a look through with your child(ren).

Don't forget you can order your child's lunch up to a term in advance or by **8.55am** daily on your SchoolGrid account

#### **Enrichment Clubs Next Week**

We would like to remind parents/carers that Enrichment Clubs will not be running next week, commencing Monday, 21st October due to the Pupil Learning Reviews taking place. Please collect at the normal time of 3.15pm or 3.20pm. Thank you.

#### Year Five & Six Boys Football

The Year Five and Six boys football team had their first league match yesterday at home to Hayden Abbey. They put in another excellent performance to win 8-0 with Jacob scoring 4, Oscar scoring 2,

Jamie scoring 1 and 1 own goal. Our next match will be next Wednesday, away to Oak Green in the second round of the cup. Go team Green Ridge!

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Key Dates Coming Up for the Autumn Term

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PTA Event	Date			
PTA Second-Hand Uniform Sale	Wednesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October			
PTA Non-Uniform Day	Friday, 25 <sup>th</sup> October			
PTA Fireworks Event	Saturday, 9 <sup>th</sup> November			
PTA Non-Uniform Day	Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> December			
PTA Festive Fun	Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> December			

#### Second-Hand Uniform Sale

We are having a Second-hand Uniform sale on Wednesday, 23rd October before and after school in the spare classroom between Rowan and Sycamore's classroom in the new part of the building.

So, if you've had a sort out of old uniform, please consider donating it to the PTA to raise money for the school and give someone the chance to grab a bargain!

Please drop all donations into the school office, no shirts or shoes please.

Thank you for your continued support.

### Non-Uniform Day

Today you would have received a letter about the non-uniform day next week Friday. Instead of the usual cash donation we are asking for a bag of sweets (in date, unopened). These will be collected by PTA volunteers on the morning of Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October.

If you have any queries, please do contact the PTA.

### Fireworks 2024

Tickets for our annual Fireworks Night are on sale from Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> October from 5pm, this is only open to parents and carers of Green Ridge for the first few days before being opened to the wider community. Please go to <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta">www.pta-events.co.uk/greenridgepta</a> to book, tickets are limited so don't miss out!



## WEEKLY ROUND-UP

## Online Safety Tip of the Week

### KS1 – Managing Online Information

Explain to your child that the internet can be a safe and reliable source of information. Remind them of childfriendly search engines (the one we recommend in school is Kiddle).

### KS2 - Managing Online Information

Ask your child what they would do if they saw a headline/article online and wanted to know if it was true or not. Guide them towards spotting 'fake news' and remind them to always check multiple sources and check with an adult before they share any information.

### Right of the Week Article 24

### Article 24: Health, Water, Food, Environment

Children have the right to the best health care possible, clean water to drink, healthy food and a clean and safe environment to live in. All adults and children should have information about how to stay safe and healthy.



### Sustainability Tip of the Week

#### **Water Bottles and Refill Stations**

Encourage your child to bring a reusable water bottle to school. With water fountains around the school and taps in classrooms, this is an eco-friendly

alternative to single-use plastic bottles. Not only will your child stay hydrated, but they will also actively contribute to reducing plastic waste.



### Behaviour Focus of the Week

### <u>Lining Up When the Whistle</u> Blows

Speak with your child about the following steps we take to be READY when the whistle blows in the playground.

- 1. Stop and freeze when the first whistle blows
- 2. Line up sensibly and

quietly when the second whistle blows



# Second Hand Uniform Sale

Wednesday 23rd October

8.30AM - 9.15AM 3PM - 3.45PM



Jumper/Cardigans



PE Kits



Little Ridges



And more...

FIND US IN THE NEW CLASSROOM - BETWEEN ROWAN & SYCAMORE



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# LIGHT UP THE STREETS 2024 THURS 31ST OCTOBER

**OUTSIDE AVA PRIMARY SCHOOL 4:30-6:30PM** 

HOT CHOCOLATES
LANTERN CRAFTS
SWEET TREATS
GOODY BAGS



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT GEMMA@CHURCHONBERRYFIELDS.ORG