



Week Ending: Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026



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Dear Parents,

March has arrived and, with it, some beautiful sunshine and a welcome glimpse of warmer weather to come. We've had another great week here at school and there has been a real sense of positivity as we look ahead to the brighter days of spring.

This week, the children made very special birthday cards for Amelia Koloa. Amelia is eight years old and lives in Rowley Regis in the Black Country. She is currently receiving palliative care for cancer and has been in and out of hospital since she was two and a half years old. The children worked incredibly hard to create beautiful, colourful cards filled with kind messages and cheerful drawings. Their aim was to help bring a big smile to Amelia's face and to support her in breaking the U.K. record for the most birthday cards ever received – an amazing total of 250,000 cards! We are so proud of the kindness, compassion and thoughtfulness shown by all the children.

Our Year 6 debating team were in action again this week in the semi-finals of the Cicero Cup. They demonstrated their excellent oracy skills as they took part in a thoughtful debate on whether children should be assessed solely through classwork rather than tests and exams. We are incredibly proud of the team for reaching this stage of the competition. Their confidence, teamwork and ability to present well-reasoned arguments have been fantastic to see. We can't wait to find out if they have made it through to the finals!

On Thursday, we celebrated World Book Day. It was wonderful to see children and staff coming to school in their cosy clothes for cuddling up with a good book, as well as many children dressing up as their favourite book characters. Throughout the day, the children listened to stories, created bookmarks and shared their thoughts and opinions about different books and characters. We love reading at Green Meadow and know how important it is! Look out for some photographs from World Book Day later in the newsletter.

Year 2 and Year 3 are on their way back from Ingestre Hall this afternoon, A wonderful time was had by all and we can't wait to hear about their adventures in detail next week!

Today, Green Meadow has hosted the Girls Biggest Football Day. Our team is showing huge sporting attitude as they take on the other Excelsior schools in the tournament.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Cross and Mrs Stirrop

### Residential Trips 2026 Reminders

**Year 4 Blackwell Adventure Trip- 20th-22<sup>nd</sup> May** This trip is now full, more details of final arrangements to follow. Final payment should be made on Arbor by midnight on 1<sup>st</sup> May.

**Year 5 Red Ridge Trip- 5th-7<sup>th</sup> May** This trip is now full, more details of final arrangements to follow. Final payment should be made on Arbor by midnight 1<sup>st</sup> April.

**Year 6 France Trip- 6th-11<sup>th</sup> July** This trip is now full, more details of final arrangements to follow. Final payment should be made on Arbor by midnight 1<sup>st</sup> July.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOUR CHILD'S PLACE ON THE TRIP IS ONLY CONFIRMED ONCE FULL PAYMENT IS RECEIVED BY SCHOOL.

## PE and Outdoor Learning days



### Monday

Please note the change of PE day for Year 2 to support Year 4 swimming.

### Tuesday

Year 3 and Year 4

### Wednesday

Year 1 and Year 2

### Thursday

Year 5 and Year 6

### Friday

Year 6 (Coach Ella) and Reception

Please wear PE kit to school on PE



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# World Book Day

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# WEEKLY ASSEMBLY



ASK YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE STORIES BEHIND THE PICTURES WE LOOKED AT IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK AND HOW THEY RELATE TO BRITISH VALUES





# CELEBRATING GREAT LEARNING!

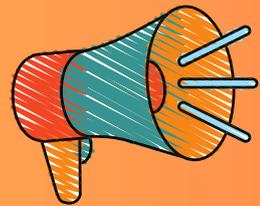


Well done to all of the children who have been practising their spelling on **Spelling Shed** this week. Our class leader board this week has in **Saturn** 1st place, **Bournville** in 2nd and **Jupiter** in 3rd place! Well done to our whole-school top speller, **Diana** in **Saturn**, who helped her class secure top place!



A huge well done to this week's Mathletes, **Avyukth** in Cadbury, **Jessica** in Bournville, **Kimberly** in Shakespeare, **Ellie** in Tolkien, **Harper** in Mars, **Wing** in Saturn and **Ahmed** in Pluto. Our top scoring classes were **Mars** and **Bournville**. Keep practising on the tasks set by your teacher to become a top Mathlete!

A huge well done to this week's **Outstanding Orators**, **Z** in Leopards, **A** in Zebras, **A** in Tigers, **L** in Lions, **Georgie-Mae** in Giraffes, **Amory** in Gazelles, **Elsie** in Bournville, **Hugo** in Cadbury, **William** in Shakespeare, **Caynan** in Tolkien, **Brielle** in Mars, **Dahlia** in Saturn, **Nimi** in Jupiter and **Trevante** in Pluto. You have all impressed us with how well you have demonstrated your oracy skills this week.



Congratulations to our **Readers of the Week**- who get to choose their own book to take home from the world-famous Green Meadow Book Vending Machine! **E** in Zebras, **Z** in Leopards, **N** in Lions, **O** in Tigers, **L Oliver** in Gazelles, **Cody** in Giraffes, **Connor** in Cadbury, **Amelia** in Bournville, **Harlow** in Tolkien, **Aurora** in Shakespeare, **Lewjai** in Saturn, **Chaemin** in Mars, **Megan** in Pluto and **Leo** in Jupiter.

# CELEBRATION TIME!

## ABOVE AND BEYOND!

Well done to all the children in school who received hot chocolate nominations from their teachers for **GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND!**

This week, an incredible 166 children from across school received nominations - that's **AMAZING!** We are all so proud of you! We hope you have your certificates displayed somewhere at home to celebrate.

## House Points

A record number of house points have been awarded this week to children demonstrating our school values of **READY, RESPECTFUL** and **SAFE** and for making sure they show how helpful, friendly and supportive everyone at Green Meadow is. Well done, everyone!



173



138



98



94



153

Be an Attendance

**H.E.R.O.**

Here      Everyday      Ready      On time



Well done to **Giraffes** in KS1 and **Tolkien** in KS2 who are our best attending classes this week.

The most punctual classes in school this week were **Giraffes** and **Pluto** who were in school on time every day to make the most of their learning time.



# Reminder of absence procedures

If your child is not fit for school, please call us on 0121 475 4505 on the first and every day of absence. **We cannot accept in-app messages or emails.** The office phone lines open at 8am.



It's Aldi Voucher Draw Day!



## Aldi voucher Roll of honour!

Well done to all our Aldi voucher winners so far this year.

November- the Ridgers family

December - the Lau family

January- the Alsayed- Ali family

February- the Thorn family

March-???????

# GMPS ATTENDANCE BY NUMBER

Each week we will let you know the progress on our drive to improve whole school attendance.

PROGRESS TOWARDS DFE BASELINE ATTENDANCE TARGET



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK- (NATIONAL EXPECTATION 96.4%)- 94.8%



NUMBER OF LEAVE IN TERM TIME FINES ISSUED TO PARENTS SINCE THE START OF TERM- 33



NUMBER OF PARENTS TAKEN STRAIGHT TO COURT THIS ACADEMIC YEAR- 4



RUNNING COST OF FINES ISSUED TO GREEN MEADOW PARENTS THIS ACADEMIC YEAR- £15, 133



NUMBER OF CHILDREN BROUGHT TO SCHOOL LATE THIS WEEK- 18



NUMBER OF MINUTES OF LOST LEARNING DUE TO LATENESS- 426



NUMBER OF DAYS OF LOST LEARNING DUE TO LEAVE IN TERM TIME- 2





# MENU

WE ARE ON WEEK 3 OF THE MENU!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>WEEK 1</b> 23/2, 16/3, 20/4, 11/5, 8/6, 29/6	Park Sausage in Onion Gravy Veggie Sausage in Onion Gravy (V) Creamy Mash, Peas, Sweetcorn Waffle with Toffee Sauce Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Chinese Chicken / Quorn (V) Curry Vegetable Samosa & Curry Sauce (V) Boiled Rice, Naan Bread, Peas & Sweetcorn Fruit Crumble Cake Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Homemade Chicken Pie Cheese, Chive & Potato Pie (V) Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans, Baked Beans Assorted Ice Cream Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Beef Pastá Bolognese Tomato & Basil Pasta Ragu (V) Fish Stars Diced Potatoes, Broccoli, Baked Beans Homemade Gingerbread Cookie Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	BBQ Chicken & Sweetcorn Pizza Margherita Pizza (V) Chipped Potatoes, Baked Beans, Peas Strawberry Mousse Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt
	All Day Brunch All Day Veggie Brunch (V) Fish Fingers with Lemon Wedge Omelette & Hash Brown, Sauté Potatoes, Baked Beans, Sweetcorn American Pancakes with Strawberry Sauce Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Sticky BBQ Chicken Sticky BBQ Quorn (V) Cheese & Onion Roll (V) Potato Wedges, Garlic Bread, Broccoli, Peas Chocolate Concrete Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Roast Chicken with Stuffing Veggie Sausage Toad in the Hole (V) Roasted New Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans Strawberry Jelly & Fruit Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Beef /Veggie (V) Burger in a Bun Mac & Broccoli Cheese (V) Herby Diced Potatoes, Steamed Rice, Peas & Sweetcorn, Baked Beans Golden Flapjack Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Cheesy Meatball Pizza Margherita Pizza (V) Chipped Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans Iced Sponge Tray Bake Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt
<b>WEEK 3</b> 9/3, 13/4, 4/5, 1/6, 22/6, 13/7	Park/Veggie Hot Dogs (V) with Fried Onions Fish Fingers with Lemon Wedge Sauté Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans Raspberry Ripple Ice Cream Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Chicken & Tomato Pasta Bake Herby Tomato Pasta Bake (V) Veggie Nuggets (V) Diced Potatoes, Garlic Slice, Sweetcorn & Peppers Banana Toffee Sponge Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Roast Turkey with Sage & Onion Stuffing Herb Roasted Quorn (V) Minted New Potatoes, Carrots, Peas Strawberry Jelly Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Mild Chicken / Vegetable (V) Korma Battered Fish with Lemon Wedge Steamed Rice, Naan Bread, Spicy Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn Iced Shortbread Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Pepperoni Pizza Margherita Pizza (V) Chipped Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans Chocolate Brownie Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt
	Available daily- Fresh bread / Jacket Potato with a variety of fillings / sandwich or wrap with a Hot carb option / Fresh salad cart / Fresh Fruit				
	<small>ALLERGEN INFORMATION: MENU DESCRIPTIONS MAY NOT LIST EVERY INDIVIDUAL INGREDIENT. WE ARE AWARE OF THE PRESENCE OF ALLERGENS REQUIRING LABELLING, SO PLEASE ASK A MEMBER OF THE CATERING TEAM SHOULD YOU REQUIRE ANY MORE DETAILS. VEGETARIAN OPTIONS ARE INDICATED BY THE (V) SYMBOL.</small>				

School meals cost £3 per day, payable via Arbor, for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6, unless you are entitled to free school meals. Please keep up to date with school meal payments each week. Please note that for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 ALL children are entitled to universal free school meals.



# UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

**Spring 2 Week 10**

**w/b 16.03.26**

**ASSESSMENT WEEK**

**Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

Year 4 swimming lessons

**Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

Year 4 swimming lessons

**Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

Year 4 swimming lessons

Little Hist Quiz for invited pupils

**Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

Year 4 swimming lessons

**Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

Red Nose Day (details to follow)

Year 4 swimming lessons

**Spring 2 Week 11**

**w/b 23.03.26**

**Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026**

**Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

Year 2 RE visit

**Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

Reception Vision Screening

Easter Chocolate Rfaffle

Year 2 RE visit

Year 4 RE visit

Easter Special Lunch Menu

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

# Key Dates for the Spring Term

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February HALF TERM**

wb 23.02.26 Book Fair

23.01.26 Year 1 local walk- give consent on Arbor by midnight on 22.02.26 (no cost)

24.02.26 Year 1 Lions phonics workshop 2.45pm

25.02.26 Year 1 Tigers phonics workshop 2.45pm

26.02.26 Year 6 Jupiter RE visit- give consent on Arbor by midnight on 23.02.26 (no cost)

27.02.26 Year 6 Pluto RE visit- give consent on Arbor by midnight on 23.02.26 (no cost)

27.02.26 Unit 3 Curriculum letter to be sent home

**01.03.26 DEADLINE FOR YEAR 2 AND 3 INGESTRE HALL PAYMENTS**

04- 06.03.26 Year 2 and 3 Residential Trip to Ingestre Hall

05.03.26 World Book Day

wb 09.03.26 Year 4 swimming week

12.03.26 Year 5 King Edwards drama masterclass

wb 16.03.26 Year 4 swimming week

18 and 19.03.26 PARENTS' EVENINGS

20.03.26 Red Nose Day (details to follow)

25.03.26 Year 2 RE visit

25.03.26 Easter Chocolate Raffle

26.03.26 Year 2 RE visit

26.03.26 Year 4 RE visit

01.04.26 DEADLINE FOR YEAR 5 RED RIDGE PAYMENTS

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April- EASTER HOLIDAYS**

**13.04.26 SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS DUE TO STAFF**

**TRAINING**

