



Week Ending: Friday, 16th January 2026



@Green\_MeadowPS

Dear Parents,

After a long weekend of disruption caused by snow and ice, it was lovely to welcome the children back to school on Monday. We are sure you will have noticed the damage to the canopy covering the outdoor classroom. This was caused by the large amount of snow that fell in the area. Throughout the week, workers have been on site ensuring the area is safe. We will update you with more information as soon as it becomes available.

After weeks of preparation, children from Green Meadow joined choirs from across the city and beyond to take part in Young Voices. This year marks the 30th anniversary of the "largest children's choir concerts." After an afternoon of rehearsals, the children were ready to perform alongside professional musicians. Mr Bestwick, Mrs Mullard and Mrs Scott Reed said the children sang their hearts out and enjoyed themselves thoroughly. For those parents who were able to attend the concert, we are sure you were incredibly proud of all the children and their impressive performance. What an amazing experience for everyone involved! We would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff who helped make the evening such a success – particularly Mr Bestwick, Mrs Mullard, Mrs Scott Reed and Mrs Calder.

The Green Meadow Basketball team were in action in the Harborne League yesterday, coming an impressive 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall and showing excellent sporting behaviours throughout. Thanks to Mr Brooks and Miss Foster for helping the team develop their skills.

Bookings for after-school clubs have now closed. Please look out for an email via your Arbor account confirming your child's after-school club allocation. Clubs will begin next week. We can't wait to start having fun with the wide range of clubs on offer! Thanks to all the staff who give so freely of their time to give the children these super experiences for the children.

And finally some lovely, celebratory news for a member for the Green Meadow family. Mr Brooks and his partner Em got engaged over the Christmas holidays! We all wish them all the very best as they plan their wedding.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Cross and Mrs Stirrop



PE and  
Outdoor  
Learning  
days



Monday  
Year 2

Tuesday  
Year 3 and  
Year 4

Wednesday  
Year 1

Thursday  
Year 5 and  
Year 6

Friday  
Year 5 and  
Reception

Please wear  
PE kit to  
school on PE  
days.



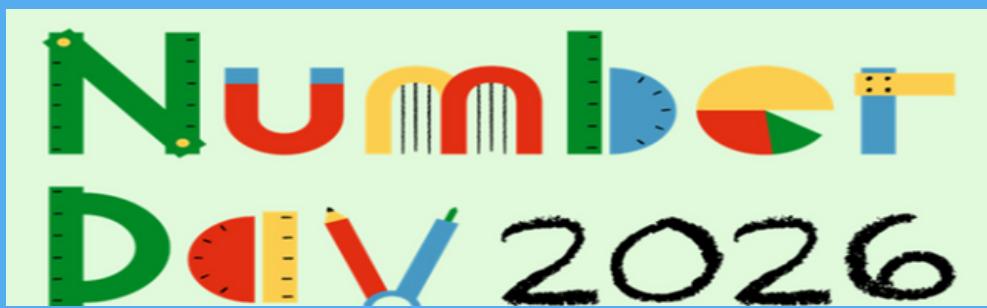


1 We are so excited to host a visit from Emmanuel Asuquo on Thursday 22nd January. This is in conjunction with our NSPCC Number Day on Friday 6th February. He will be speaking to KS2 in an assembly and working with Year 5, sharing his experiences of the financial world and raising our children's aspirations.

So, who is he?

Emmanuel Asuquo is a renowned, financial advisor, media personality, wealth-building entrepreneur and international speaker. Emmanuel stepped into the world of multimillion-pound finance at the age of 22, quickly ascending to become one of the UK's top ranked financial advisors/managers.

Following all his success, Emmanuel has been approached by the press and was featured on the BBC, the Telegraph and then brought into the homes of millions across the UK as Co-host and authority on Channel 4's 2019 programme, 'Save Well, Spend Better' and Your Money And Your Life, on BBC One in June 2020.



Number Day is the NSPCC's mega maths fundraising event. Every year, thousands of schools and nurseries across the UK fundraise for the NSPCC by having fun with maths. This year, on Friday 6th February, we will be encouraging the children to dress up with a maths theme. They could be a Numberblock, a playing card, an addition equation, one of the ten green bottles; the choice is endless. Let's see how creative we can be! All monies raised will be going to a great cause.

# WEEKLY ASSEMBLY



NO  
OUT  
SIDERS  
'All different, All welcome'

ASK YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU ABOUT  
THE STORY BEHIND THE PICTURE WE  
LOOKED AT IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK AND  
HOW IT RELATES TO BRITISH VALUES



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# CELEBRATING GREAT LEARNING!

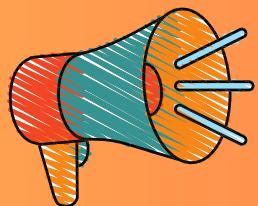


Well done to all of the children who have been practising their spelling on **Spelling Shed** this week. Our class leader board this week has in **Saturn** 1st place, **Shakespeare** in 2nd and **Jupiter** in 3rd place! Well done to our whole-school top speller, **Diana** in **Saturn**, who helped her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



A huge well done to this week's Mathletes, **Olivia** in Cadbury, **Avishka** in Bournville, **Darcie** in Shakespeare, **Sullivan** in Tolkien, **Chaemin** in Mars, **Dufie** in Saturn, **Finlay** in Pluto and **Esma** in Jupiter. Our top scoring classes were **Cadbury** 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**, **Y** in Leopards, **A** in Zebras, **A** in Tigers, **I** in Lions, **Colby** in Giraffes, **Ruby** in Gazelles, **Elodie** in Bournville, **Bronagh** in Cadbury, **Naomi** in Shakespeare, **Isla** in Tolkien, **Luna** in Mars, **Dexter** in Saturn, **Toby** in Jupiter and **Hattie** 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! **R** in Zebras, **S** in Leopards, **D** in Lions, **R** in Tigers, **Kairo** in Gazelles, **Lucas** in Giraffes, **Princess** in Cadbury, **Darcie** in Bournville, **Zac** in Tolkien, **Cameron** in Shakespeare, **Mason** in Saturn, **Mahdiyar** in Mars, **Trevante** in Pluto and **Mohammad** 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 106 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!



207



271



260



272



310



Here

Be an Attendance

H.E.R.



Everyday

Ready

On time

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

The most punctual class in school this week was **Giraffes** 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.



We just wanted to remind everyone that we are a nut free school. Please help us keep our children with nut allergies safe by never sending nuts or nut products to school in lunchboxes.

## 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%



NUMBER OF LEAVE IN TERM TIME FINES ISSUED TO PARENTS SINCE THE START OF TERM- 31



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



RUNNING COST OF FINES ISSUED TO GREEN MEADOW PARENTS THIS ACADEMIC YEAR- £14, 533



NUMBER OF CHILDREN BROUGHT TO SCHOOL LATE THIS WEEK- 40



NUMBER OF MINUTES OF LOST LEARNING DUE TO LATENESS- 1,182



NUMBER OF DAYS OF LOST LEARNING DUE TO LEAVE IN TERM TIME- 4





# menu

## WE ARE ON WEEK 3 OF THE MENU!

WEEK ONE					WEEK TWO					WEEK THREE					WEEK FOUR				
MONDAY			TUESDAY			WEDNESDAY			THURSDAY			FRIDAY			Green Meadow primary School Menu Available Daily				
Mains	Pork Sausages	Vegetarian Sausage (V) in Onion Gravy	Mains	Chinese Chicken Curry	Mac n' Cheese (V)	Mains	Roast Gammon, with Yorkshire Pudding & a Rich Gravy Sauce	Cheese, Chive & Potato Pie (V)	Mains	Pasta Bolognese	Quorn Mince Bolognese (V)	Mains	BBQ Chicken & Sweetcorn Pizza	Homemade Margherita Pizza (V)	Fresh Bread	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna	Sandwich or Wrap with a hot carb	Salad Cart	
Accompaniments	Creamy Mash, Peas, Sweetcorn & Salad Cart		Accompaniments	Baked Rice, Naan Bread, Garlic Bread, Peas, Sweetcorn & Salad Cart		Accompaniments	Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans, Baked Beans & Salad Cart		Accompaniments	Diced Potatoes, Broccoli, Baked Beans & Salad Cart		Accompaniments	Chipped Potatoes, Baked Beans, Peas, Sauces & Salad Cart						
Dessert	1/2 Waffle with Toffee Sauce	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Syrup Sponge with Custard	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Ice Cream	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Chocolate Chip Cookie	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Strawberry Mousse	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt					
Mains	All Day Brunch, Sausage, Omelette & Hash Brown	All Day Veggie Brunch, Quorn Sausage, Omelette & Hash Brown (V)	Mains	Sweet & Sour Chicken	Sweet & Sour Quorn (V)	Mains	Roast Chicken, with Sage & Onion Seasoning & a Rich Gravy Sauce		Mains	Lamb Keema Curry	Chicken Burger	Mains	Ham & Pineapple Pizza	Homemade Margherita Pizza (V)					
Accompaniments	Fish Fingers, with Lemon & Tartar Sauce		Accompaniments	Potato Wedges, Peas, Broccoli, Garlic Bread & Salad Cart		Accompaniments	Vegetarian Sausage Toad in the Hole (V)		Accompaniments	Steamed Rice, Naan Bread, Herby Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans & Salad Cart		Accompaniments	Chipped Potatoes, Baked Beans, Peas, Sauces & Salad Cart						
Dessert	Raspberry & Vanilla Ice Cream Cake	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Chocolate & Beetroot Tray Bake	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	American Pancakes with Strawberry Drizzle	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Flapjack	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Iced Sponge Tray Bake	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt					
Mains	Pork Hotdogs	Veggie Hotdogs (V) with Fried Onions	Mains	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake	Herby Tomato Pasta Bake (V)	Mains	Roast Turkey, with Sage & Onion Seasoning & a Rich Gravy Sauce		Mains	Mexican Chicken & Vegetables	Mexican Quorn & Vegetables (V) in a Mini Tortilla	Mains	Traditional Pepperoni Pizza	Homemade Margherita Pizza (V)					
Accompaniments	Fish Fingers, with Lemon & Tartar Sauce		Accompaniments	Diced Potatoes, Garlic Bread, Peppers, Sweetcorn & Salad Cart		Accompaniments	Herb Roasted Quorn (V)		Accompaniments	Battered Fish, with Lemon & Tartar Sauce		Accompaniments	Chipped Potatoes, Baked Beans, Peas, Sauces & Salad Cart						
Dessert	Ice Cream	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Lemon Drizzle Cake with Custard Sauce	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Strawberry Jelly & Fruit	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Iced Shortbread	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Dessert	Chocolate Chip Cookie	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt					
W1 : 5/1, 26/1					W2 : 12/1, 2/2					W3 : 19/1, 9/2					COOMBS CATERING FOR THE FUTURE				
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 SYMBOL (V).																			

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 1 Week 3  
wb 19.01.26**

**Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January  
2026**

Reception Teddy Bear  
Hospital Visit

**Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January  
2026**

Emmanuel Asuquo visit

**Friday, 23rd January 2026**

**Spring 1 Week 4  
wb 26.01.25**

**Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026**  
Year 5 Bikeability

**Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2026**  
Year 5 Bikeability

**Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> January  
2026**

Year 5 Bikeability

**Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> January  
2026**

**Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026**  
Year 5 Bikeability

# Key Dates for the Spring Term

**05.01.26 SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS DUE TO STAFF  
TRAINING**

**14.01.26 Young Voices for invited pupils**

**15.01.25 Board Games Special Lunch Menu**

**wb 26.01.26 Year 5 Bikeability Week (more details to follow)**

**04.02.26 Cadbury Class Assembly**

**05.02.26 NSPCC Number Day (more details to follow)**

**05.02.26 Bournville Class Assembly**

**06.02.26 NSPCC Number Day**

**06-07.02.26 Year 1 Talent Show and Sleepover**

**10.02.26 Reception Maths Workshop 10.15am/ 2.15pm**

**11.02.26 Year 1 Maths Workshop 10.15am/2.15pm**

**12.02.26 Pancake Day Special Lunch Menu**

**12.02.26 Year 2 Maths Workshop 10.15am/ 2.25pm**

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

**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**

**wb 16.03.26 Year 4 swimming week**

**20.03.26 Red Nose Day (details to follow)**

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

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

