



Week Ending: Friday, 30th January 2026



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Dear Parents,

STOP PRESS! Green Meadow is in the news!

Some of our Year 5 pupils had the exciting experience of being interviewed for Greatest Hits Birmingham Radio News. If you ask your smart speaker to play the 10am news bulletin from Sunday, 25th January you will be able to hear our radio stars! They talk with great eloquence about ideas they have to create businesses in the future. This follows the exciting visit from financial expert and TV personality, Emmanuel Asuquo, last week. He delivered a fantastic workshop and assembly to our children, which really inspired them to think about their futures. We were so proud of the aspirational ideas they came up with! The visit was also featured in the Bromsgrove Standard- you can read the full article here-

<https://bromsgrovestandard.co.uk/news/northfield-schoolchildren-help-finance-expert-launch-nspcc-number-day/#>

Well done to our Year 5 and 6 athletics team who took part in the Birmingham Indoor Athletics Championship this week. This week also saw pupils in Year 5 take part in Bikeability. This scheme teaches children how to ride their bikes safely and develops skills for life. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the experience and we would like to thank the teachers from Bikeability who made the week so fun and full of learning.

We wish you all a fantastic weekend ahead!

Best wishes,

Mrs Cross and Mrs Stirrop



Residential Trips 2026 Updates

We start our residential trips offer with the Year 1 Talent Show and Sleepover next Friday, 6th February. This is a great start to the exciting opportunities to come as the children go through their Green Meadow journey. Final payment should be made as soon as possible on Arbor. There will be a drop-in session with Mrs Cross between 3 and 3.15pm on Tuesday, 3rd February 2026 if you have any final questions!

**PLEASE NOTE
CHANGES TO YEAR 4
AND YEAR 6 PE DAYS
TO ACCOMMODATE
STAFF TRAINING**

Year 2 and Year 3 Ingestre Hall Trip- 4th-6th March A SMALL NUMBER OF SPACES ARE STILL AVAILABLE ON THIS TRIP- SIGN UP ON ARBOR! Full payment should be made on Arbor by 1st March.

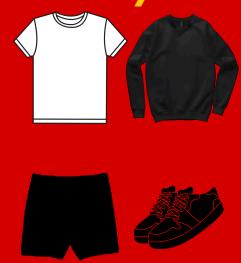
Year 4 Blackwell Adventure Trip- 20th-22nd May This trip is now full, more details of final arrangements to follow. Final payment should be made on Arbor by 1st May.

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

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

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

**Please wear
PE kit to
school on PE
days.**



OPAL Updates

We would really love for you to help through more donations. We are currently collecting:



- ✓ Small world play (Duplo, action figures, toy animals, toy cars, dolls, teddies)
- ✓ Large cardboard boxes for den building
- ✓ Dressing up clothes- all sizes
- ✓ Spare Wellies – all sizes
- ✓ Tools like small spades/shovels, trowels, and brooms (gardening and construction)
- ✓ Drainpipes and building materials safe for children to use
- ✓ Fabric (large sheets/brightly coloured fabric)
- ✓ Arts and craft items (paint brushes, paint, old colouring books, stencils)
- ✓ Marquee tents, tents (all sizes), tarpaulin sheets
- ✓ Metal, wood, and plastic paint for the outdoors
- ✓ Bikes, go-karts, and scooters
- ✓ Foam tubes (swimming noodles)
- ✓ Logs for the outdoor areas
- ✓ Musical instruments-drums
- ✓ Fencing or trellis
- ✓ Wooden drums (left over from electricity cables)

If you clear your shed, garage or clear toys, games from your children's bedrooms...
PLEASE THINK OF US BEFORE YOU DISPOSE OF IT!

If there is something that you are going to throw in the skip, that is of ok quality, please consider if it is something that the children could use to trigger their imagination.

Where do my donations go?

Please bring your donations to school. By the foyer doors on the KS2 playground there is a donations container and area for items.

Thank you for all your support!

Break a leg, James!

James in Year 5 is performing at a West End theatre this weekend! James is part of the company performing the show, Across the Line, at His Majesty's Theatre in London's West End. We can't wait to hear all about his performance next week!



NSPCC Number Day

Friday, 6th February 2026

NSPCC Number Day is an annual, nationwide, fun-filled maths fundraising event for schools and nurseries in the UK, with the next event taking place on Friday, February 6, 2026. It raises funds for the NSPCC's vital services—including Childline and Speak Out Stay Safe.

Here at Greenmeadow, we will be taking part in this great, fun packed day!

Dress up for Digits: Children wear clothing featuring numbers, such as football shirts or costumes they create, in exchange for a donation.

Maths Activities: the children will engage in number-based games, challenges, and quizzes.

NSPCC Rocks: We are signed up for an online times table competition with Times Tables Rock Stars.

Please get creative helping your child dress up as a digit. Maths is fun!

All children at Green Meadow believe they are great mathematicians.

NSPCC

WEEKLY ASSEMBLY



ASK YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE STORIES BEHIND THE PICTURES WE LOOKED AT IN ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK AND HOW IT RELATES TO BRITISH VALUES

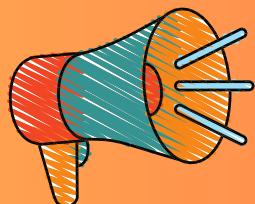


CELEBRATING GREAT LEARNING!

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, **Mars** in 2nd and **Bournville** 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, **Preesha** in Bournville, **Nevie** in Shakespeare, **Sullivan** in Tolkien, **Harrison** in Mars, **Zahra** in Saturn, **Finlay** in Pluto and **Ahmed** in Jupiter. 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**, **P** in Leopards, **S** in Zebras, **R** in Tigers, **A** in Lions, **Isabella** in Giraffes, **Scarlett** in Gazelles, **Amelia** in Bournville, **Oliver** in Cadbury, **Jenson** in Shakespeare, **Abdullah** in Tolkien, **Chaemin** in Mars, **Amelia** in Saturn, **Theon** in Jupiter and **Ivy** 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! **J** in Zebras, **A** in Leopards, **C** in Lions, **T** in Tigers, **Caelan** in Gazelles, **Rosie** in Giraffes, **Harry** in Cadbury, **Tanvi** in Bournville, **Brady** in Tolkien, **William** in Shakespeare, **Daniella** in Saturn, **Jack** in Mars, **Huhton** in Pluto and **Ashleigh** 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 105 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!



149



109



101



110



180



Here

Be an Attendance

H.E.R.



Everyday

Ready

On time

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

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

Reminder of absence procedures

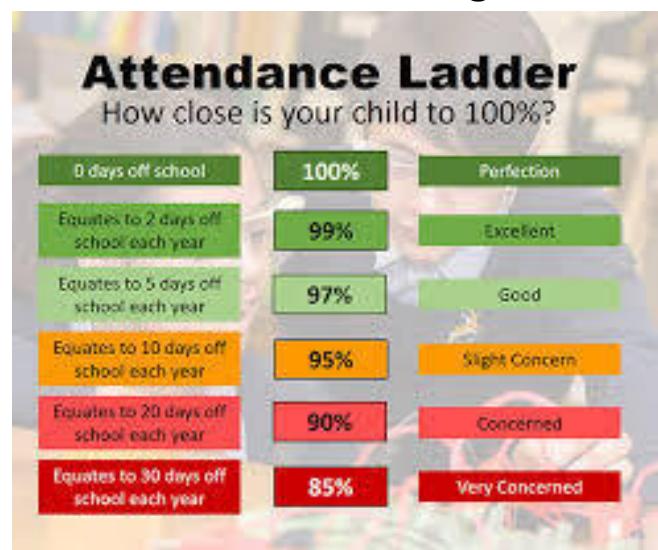
If your child is not fit for school, please call us on 0121 475 4505 on the first and every day of absence.

We cannot accept in-app messages or emails. The office phone lines open at 8am.



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Did you know that if your child is absent for 19 days or more in a school year that they will never be able to get out of the below 90% persistent absentee banding?



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- 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- 43



NUMBER OF MINUTES OF LOST LEARNING DUE TO LATENESS- 821



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





menu

WE ARE ON WEEK 2 OF THE MENU!

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

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 5

w/b 02.02.26

Monday, 2nd February

Tuesday, 3rd February

3pm Year 1 Talent Show and
Sleepover drop-in session

Wednesday, 4th February

Cadbury class assembly -
9:00am

Thursday, 5th February

Bournville class assembly -
9:00am

Friday, 6th February

Year 1 Talent Show and
Sleepover

NSPCC Number Day- dress up as
a digit for a small donation for
the NSPCC

Spring 1 Week 6

w/b 09.02.26

Monday, 9th February 2026

Tuesday, 10th February 2026
Reception Maths Workshop
10.15am/ 2.15pm

Wednesday, 11th February 2026

Year 1 Maths Workshop
10.15am/2.15pm

Thursday, 12th February 2026

Pancake Day Special Lunch
Menu

Year 2 Maths Workshop
10.15am/ 2.15pm

Friday, 13th February 2026

BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

Key Dates for the Spring Term

03.02.26 Year 1 Talent Show and Sleepover drop-in session in the hall at 3pm (please ensure full payment is made on Arbor, see letter and forms sent by email on 23.01.26)

04.02.26 Cadbury Class Assembly

05.02.26 Bournville Class Assembly

06.02.26 NSPCC Number Day (see further details in this week's newsletter above)

06-07.02.26 Year 1 Talent Show and Sleepover (please ensure full payment is made on Arbor, see letter and forms sent by email on 23.01.26)

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/ 2.15pm

Monday 16th - Friday 20th 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

12.03.26 Year 5 King Edwards drama masterclass

wb 16.03.26 Year 4 swimming week

20.03.26 Red Nose Day (details to follow)

Monday 30th March- Friday 10th April- EASTER HOLIDAYS

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

