



Newsletter

Friday 14th February 2025

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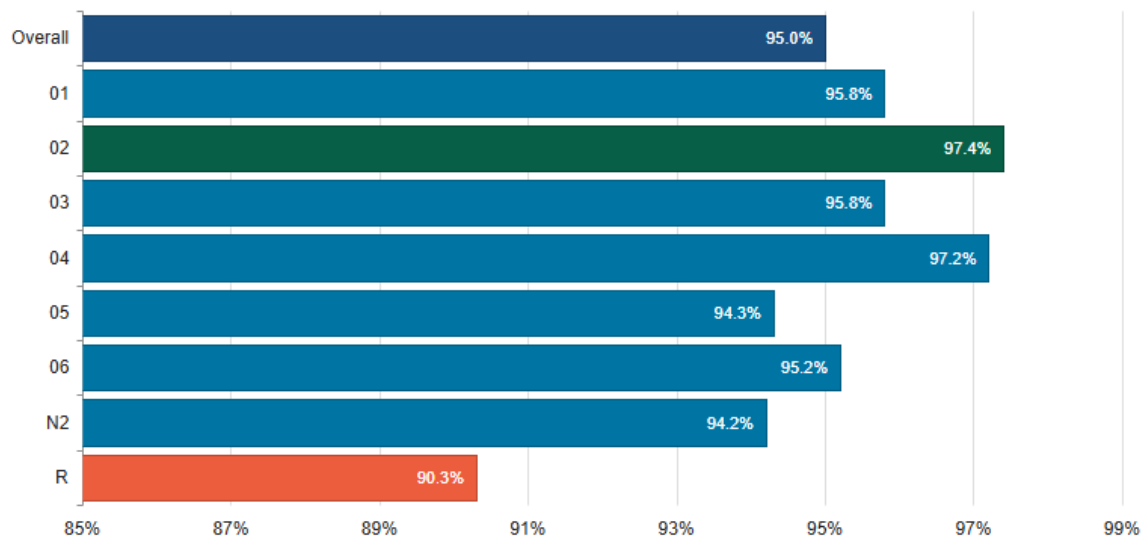


Menu for week commencing 24/02/2025 showing on last page of newsletter

enquiries@pga.greenheartlearning.org

Attendance

Certificates will go to all classes with over 97% attendance.
Once classes collect 6 certificates, they will enjoy a reward with their peers.



Congratulations to Year 2 for amazing attendance this week 😊
Also, well done Year 4 for having over 97%.

Good attendance means...

Being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days

175 days not in school!

Absence Days	Days of Education	Attendance Percentage	Impact
0 days absence	190	100%	Best Chances of success. "Well Done!"
10 days absence	180	95%	
19 days absence	171	90%	Poor attendance - less chance of success. "I'm worried"
29 days absence	161	85%	
36 days absence	152	80%	Very poor attendance - serious impact on education and reduces life chances. "I'm seriously concerned"
47 days absence	143	75%	

365 days in a calendar year

Greenheart Updates/School Developments



This week, Mrs Darby, Miss Edkins and Mrs Yates visited other schools in our Greenheart Learning Partnership for SENCO, English and Early Years Networks. It is important that as leaders, we continue to upskill ourselves so that we can then support our staff with their professional development. We are very proud of our English, Early Years and SEND provision at Pye Green Academy. The excellent provision we have has also been recognised by Greenheart Learning Partnership.

During the last 12 months, Mrs Snell has been busy completing her Community Health and Wellbeing (Level 3) Apprenticeship. We are very proud of Mrs Snell and thankful for all she does to support our families and wider community. Congratulations and well done, Mrs Snell 😊



This week, two of our Year 4 School Council/Eco Committee members travelled with Mrs Burnett to Featherstone Academy to work alongside other Year 4 pupils from our other nine primary schools. They met with our Executive Leadership Team and discussed a range of eco and sustainability ideas for our schools. Watch this space - they have so many fantastic ideas for the future.



Transition

Participation

Communication

Guidance

Induction

Home-School Links

Last week, Mrs Edwards sent out a parent questionnaire to gauge your views regarding parental participation at Pye Green Academy. Thank you to all of the parents who took the time to complete the questionnaire. Results have shown that: -

- Parents find our school welcoming
- You feel we are good at communicating with parents
- Pye Green Academy helps you to support your child's learning
- We are welcoming to new pupils and parents
- School policies are easy to read and understand



Thank you for your ideas for how we can further improve, they are very much appreciated. Going forward, we are therefore going to look into ways to: -

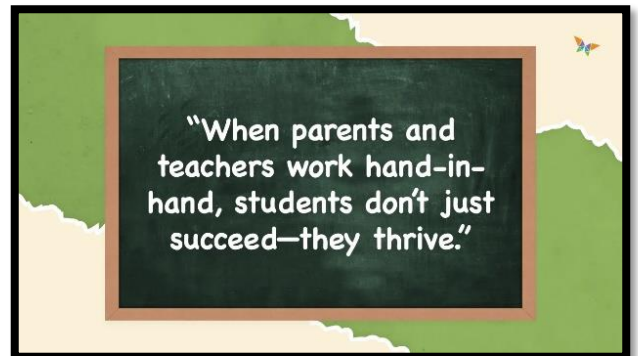
- Help parents develop their own learning
- Support you to enjoy and take part in more learning opportunities alongside your children
- Look at further ways to support parents as their children move through school
- Encourage more parents to be involved through additional parent workshops across year groups
- Share 'next steps' in learning with parents alongside our weekly newsletters

Upcoming Workshops and Learning Opportunities

During the coming year, we are planning exciting workshops and learning opportunities for children and their parents/carers/family members. Please look out for the following sessions: -

- Year 1 – Supporting My Child with the Phonics Screening Test
- Year 2 - An Introduction to Accelerated Reader (AR)
- Years 3 & 4 -Maths Mysteries Solved
- Year 5 - Fractions Frenzy: Getting Prepared for Year 6
- Year 6 – Who is Ready for a Challenge?

Please see the calendar for dates/times.



Pye Green Academy Young Voices Choir

Our Young Voices Choir have been asked to perform in the 'Schools in Harmony' Choir Event at The Prince of Wales Theatre (Cannock).

Letters have been sent out this week regarding this. We look forward to seeing and hearing our young people perform next month 😊

School Closure Days

Please remember that school will be closed on the following days.

Friday 11th April 2025 (Rescheduled Conference)
Thursday 1st May 2025 (Polling)

Information has already been sent out regarding these days and the reasons for the closures.

Sports Clubs – Outside of School

Cannock Town Stags Under 8s are looking for new players for their football team.
Games – Sunday morning.
Training – Wednesday evening.



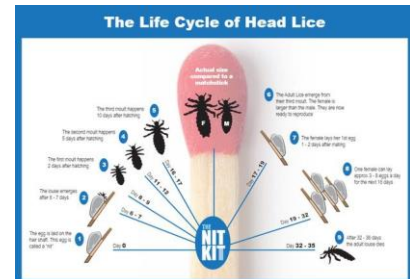
For more information text (anytime) or call (evenings):
Lee - 07906 356 174

Participation

Headlice

Recently, we have had a rising number of pupils in school with headlice. Whilst children do not need keeping at home if they have headlice, they **MUST** be treated to stop the spread to other children.

[Head lice and nits - NHS](#)



PYE GREEN ACADEMY PTFA EVENTS

Keep up to date with school events and fundraising



"It's Groovy to Be Kind" PTFA Disco

Tickets are selling fast for the disco so please visit www.pta-events.co.uk/pga to book yours before they run out.

As a reminder, Key stage 1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) students will be able to bring a change of clothes to school and go straight to their disco at the end of the day.

Collection will be from the main school entrance at 4:15pm.

Key stage 2 (Years 3, 4 & 5) students will need to be collected from school as normal and then brought back for their disco at 4:30pm.

Drop off and collection will be from the main school entrance (drop off 4:30pm and collection 5:15pm)

TICKETS
NOW ON
SALE

A separate date will be arranged for a Year 6 event.

Please email pyegreenacademyptfa@gmail.com with any questions.

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Home-School Links

Cannock Chase Pre-Loved Uniform Market

The Salvation Army, 7 Anglesey Street, Hednesford, WS12 1AB

Tuesday 18th February: 10am – 6pm
Wednesday 19th February: 10am-12noon

There is school uniform coverage for all schools in the Cannock Chase area, but we have especially large amounts for Kingsmead, Gorsemoor, Cheslyn Hay, SUA, Five Ways, St Lukes, Longford, St Joseph's, Cannock Chase High, Pye Green, St Peter's and Littleton Green.

There are also a lot of generic items, plain grey and black trousers, white shirts in all sizes so pop along for a look and save money.

The Pre-Loved Uniform Market is delivered by the Salvation Army Church and Staffordshire Libraries. Supported by the People Helping People Fund, Community Fund, Staffordshire County Council, Tesco and Morrisons.

Donations of school uniform are gratefully received at Drop off points: Cannock Library & Hednesford Community Library – during normal opening times and at The Salvation Army, Anglesey Street, Hednesford – Monday – Thursday 2pm-5pm

For more information contact hednesford@salvationarmy.org.uk (Phone: 01543 426128)
or cannock.library@staffordshire.gov.uk

Also Attached to the Newsletter This Week

Information about: -

- A pregnancy social meet up
- Cannock Rugby Club
- Scarlet Fever Letter
- PTFA Disco Flyer
- Information about World Book Day

What's Happening Next Week?



Communication

What's happening the week we come back?



Bikeability Y5

PTFA Disco



Upcoming Events – More Details to Follow

Monday 24th February to Friday 28th February – Year 5 Bikeability (Level 1 and 2)

Tuesday 25th February – Nursery Open Evening (for prospective parents)

Wednesday 26th February - PTFA It's Groovy to be Kind Disco (Reception - Y5) more details to follow and Y6 PTFA event tbc

Wednesday 26th February – Nursery Open Evening (for prospective parents)

Wednesday 5th March – Year 2 Come Dine with Me

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day

Friday 7th March – Deadline for Nursery Applications

Thursday 13th March – Nursery Places Allocated for September 2025

Thursday 20th March – Nursery Places Deadline to Accept
Wednesday 26th March - 'Schools in Harmony' Choir Event at The Prince of Wales Theatre (Cannock)
Wednesday 26th March – Year 2 Parent Session: An Introduction to Accelerated Reader @ 3.30pm (more information to follow)
Tuesday 1st April 2025 – Reception and Year 6 NHS Heights and Weights
Tuesday 1st April – Y5 British Cycling Session (Chestnut 1)
Thursday 3rd April – Year 4 trip to Wroxeter Roman City
Friday 4th April - PTFA non-uniform day (chocolate donation)
Monday 7th April - PTFA Chocolate Bingo (session 1)
Tuesday 8th April – Y5 British Cycling Session (Chestnut 2)
Wednesday 9th April - PTFA Chocolate Bingo (session 2)
Wednesday 9th April – Year 3 Come Dine with Me
Thursday 10th April – Year 4 Bikeability (Level 1)
Friday 11th April – **INSET Day School Closed to ALL Pupils (Rescheduled Conference)**
Tuesday 29th April – Year 5 British Cycling Session on the Chase (session 1) further details to follow
Wednesday 30th April – Year 3 and 4: Maths Mysteries Solved Parent Session (morning session)
Thursday 1st May – **School Close Due to Polling**
Tuesday 6th May – Year 5 British Cycling Session on the Chase (session 2) further details to follow
Tuesday 6th May – Tempest Photographs for Reception and Year 6
Friday 9th May – PTFA Afterschool Event (tbc)
Tuesday 13th May – Year 5 British Cycling Session on the Chase (session 3) further details to follow
Monday 19th May – Pye Green Academy Science Week
Tuesday 20th May – Year 5 British Cycling Session on the Chase (session 4) further details to follow
Wednesday 21st May – Year 4 Come Dine with Me
Wednesday 21st May – Phonics Screening Parent Workshop. In person at 9.00am **OR** on Teams at 6.00pm.
Tuesday 3rd June – Reception Dinosaur Day
Monday 9th June – Oceans Day
Wednesday 11th June – Year 5 Come Dine with Me
Wednesday 25th June – KS2 Jungle Book Production
Tuesday 1st July – Year 5 Parent Session: Fractions Frenzy (morning session) Getting Prepared for Year 6.
Wednesday 9th July – Year 6 Leaver's Lunch
Wednesday 9th July – Year 6 Prom
Saturday 12th July – PTFA Summer Fair

Crucial Assessment Dates for 2024/2025

Throughout May 2025 – Y2 SATS tests (Please do not book holidays this month)
Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May 2025 – Year 6 SATS (please do not book holidays this week)
Monday 2nd June – Friday 13th June 2025 – Y4 Times Tables Check (please do not book holidays this fortnight)
Monday 9th June – Friday 13th June 2025 – Year 1 Phonics Screening Week (Please do not book holidays this week)

Dates for 2025/2026 can be found by following the link <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/primary-assessments-future-dates>

School Year 2024 to 2025

Spring Term 2025

Term Starts: Tuesday 7th January

Holiday: Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February

Term Ends: Friday 11 April

Holiday: Monday 14 April – Friday 25 April

Summer Term 2025

Term Starts: Monday 28 April

POLLING DAY: Thursday 1 May (school closed)

May Day: Monday 5 May

Holiday: Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Monday 2nd June Inset day; school closed to children (INSET DAY 4)

Term Ends: Friday 18th July

Holiday: Monday 21st July – Friday 29 August

Monday 21st July Inset day; school closed to children (INSET DAY 5)

School Year 2025 to 2026

Autumn Term 2025

Monday 1 September INSET DAY – School closed to children (INSET DAY 1)

Term Starts: Tuesday 2 September

Holiday: Monday 27 October – Friday 31 October

Term Ends: Friday 19 December

Holiday: Monday 22 December – Friday 2 January

Spring Term 2026

Term Starts: Monday 5 January

Holiday: Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February

Term Ends: Friday 27 March

Holiday: Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 5 April

Summer Term 2026

Term Starts: Monday 13 April

May Day: Monday 4 May

Holiday: Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May

Term Ends: Monday 20 July

Holiday: Tuesday 21 July – Monday 31 August

Week One Date W/C 24/02/2025

Primary Menu Week 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAYS
Main Course (Red)	Hunter's Chicken	Pork Sausages	Roast Chicken & Gravy	Fish Fingers	Chicken Chow Mein
Vegetarian Main Course (Green)	Pasta Neapolitan	Vegetarian Sausages	Quarn Balls & Gravy	Vegetarian Sausage Roll	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
Yellow	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans
Vegetables Carbs	Brown & White Rice Sweetcorn Peas	Potato Wedges Green Beans	Roast Potatoes Fresh Carrots Broccoli	Diced Potatoes Fresh Carrots Cauliflower	Chips Peas and Baked Beans
Sandwich Option (Blue)	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch	Tuna Packed Lunch	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch
Dessert	Waffle	Chocolate Cookie	American Pancakes with variety of toppings	Marble Sponge & Custard	Fruity Friday A selection of Fruit based desserts