



Newsletter

Friday 14th March 2025

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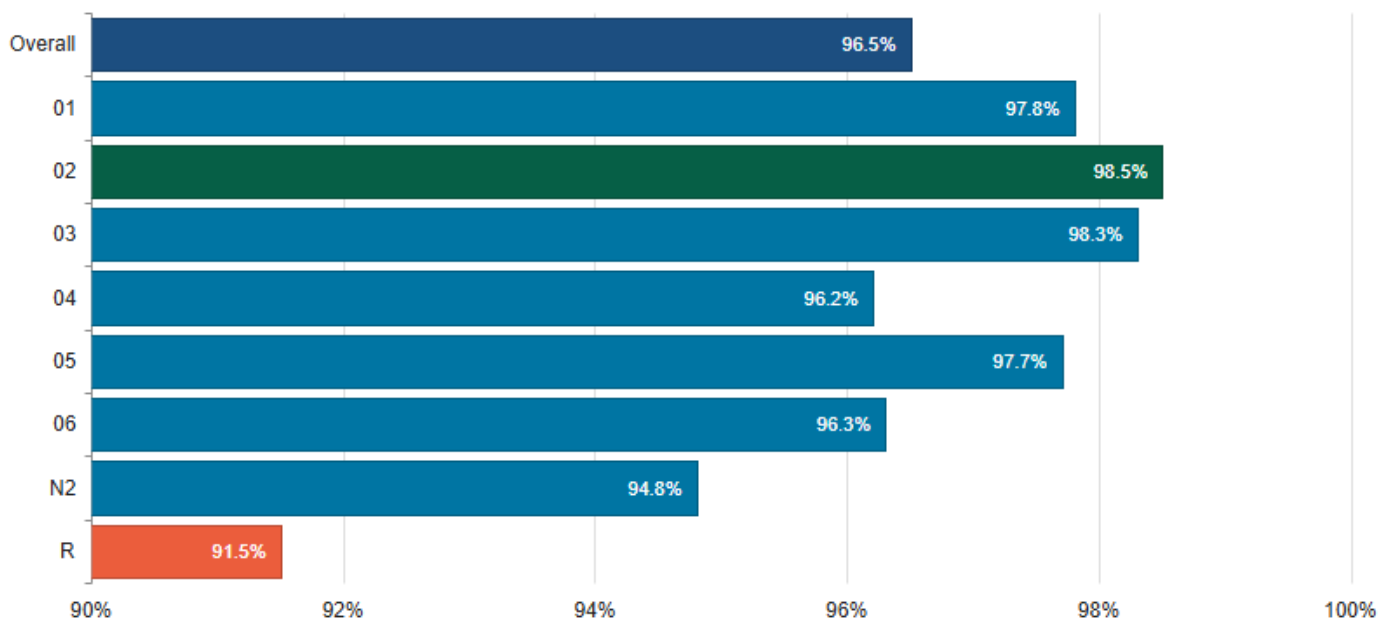
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Certificates will go to all classes with over 97% attendance.
Once classes collect 6 certificates, they will enjoy a reward with their peers.

Congratulations to Year 2 for amazing attendance again this week 😊



Be an Attendance Hero...



Here Every day Ready On time

Good attendance means our children will...

- Achieve well and be successful
- Know the value of hard work and efforts

Greenheart Updates/School Developments



COMPETITION TIME

On Monday, all parents received information via email about the 'Greenheart Learning Partnership Transient Art' Competition (information is also attached to this email).



Please email any photographs you would like to be entered to

vridgway@pga.greenheartlearning.org

The theme is 'Spring is in The Air' so feel free to get creative 😊



The competition will close on 21st March 2025



Transition

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Staffordshire Police – School Parking



With the increase in traffic around schools during pick-up and drop-off times, we kindly remind everyone of the importance of sensible parking. Ensuring that our streets remain safe and accessible for all is a shared responsibility.

Here are a few key points to keep in mind:

- ◆ **Respect Driveways:** Please avoid parking in front of driveways, even for short periods. This ensures residents can enter and exit their properties without inconvenience.
- ◆ **Avoid Double Parking:** Double parking not only causes traffic congestion but also poses a risk to pedestrians, especially young children who may be crossing the road.
- ◆ **Keep junctions clear:** Ensure you park at least 10 meters (32 feet) away from a junction, unless you are in a designated parking space; this means you should not park opposite or within 10 meters of a junction.
- ◆ **Be Mindful of Crossing Areas:** Always leave sufficient space near pedestrian crossings and school entrances to allow for clear visibility and safe crossing for children and guardians.
- ◆ **Follow Local Parking Regulations:** Adhere to all posted signs and regulations to avoid fines and to maintain smooth traffic flow.
- ◆ **Consider Walking or Cycling:** If possible, consider walking or cycling to school. This reduces traffic congestion and promotes a healthier lifestyle for both you and your children.
- ◆ **Plan Ahead:** Allow extra time for your journey to avoid the rush and reduce the temptation to park irresponsibly.

Lunchtime School Meal Taste Pots

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a FREE meal each lunchtime. This could be saving you over £10 per week if you are making a lunchbox each day, which is a saving of around £390 per child by the end of the school year.

When children reach Year 3, you then have to start paying for meals (unless you claim Free School Meals which are benefits related).

We would like to encourage children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, who bring a home packed lunch, to TRY something from the school kitchen during the coming weeks. To facilitate this, Bonnie (our cook) will be producing 10 extra meal samples per day and children will be encouraged to 'have a try'. They can still eat their home packed lunch too.

Often, children will say they do not like certain foods without trying them but, when their friends try it, they do too 😊
If your child comes home and tells you they have tried something new, please praise them for this.



Next week, it will be the Reception pupils who will be encouraged to try the meal samples.



Home-School Links

We are proud to partner with Shire Services who provide freshly cooked, nutritious meals prepared daily. Our cook (Bonnie) produces fresh, seasonal, and sustainable food that helps our pupils stay energised and focused throughout the day.

Each day, students can choose from diverse meal options that cater to various tastes and dietary needs, featuring familiar family favourites and popular high street concepts. Throughout the school year, Shire Services also offer exciting theme day dishes.

Allergens and Intolerances

We support Shire Services in arranging meetings (either face-to-face or via phone/Teams) with parents of children with food allergies or intolerances so that we can agree on the most appropriate menus for them to follow.

Diabetes

If your child has diabetes and you need a meeting to discuss your child's individual requirements, please contact the school catering manager.

Stay connected by accessing [Shire Services](#) on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [X](#)."

You can explore upcoming NEW menu ideas and see the range of options available for your child by accessing the documents attached to this newsletter.



After School Collection

Please ensure that when collecting your children, they are fully supervised. We are noticing greater numbers of children being allowed to climb on the walls and benches around school at the end of the day. Within school time, this is not allowed and children follow these rules well. If parents allow this to happen after 3.20pm, it is confusing for children.

Children MUST NOT be allowed to play in the outdoor Reception area at any time. We are proud of this area and to see younger siblings using equipment incorrectly and, at times, throwing the sand around, is very disappointing.

Thank you.



Curriculum Promise (Spring)

At Pye Green Academy, we are very proud of the offer our children get. Throughout the Spring Term, all year groups have taken part in a range of fantastic learning opportunities.

Attached to the newsletter is a Curriculum Promise 'round up' of what the term has included. Each week, the list of upcoming events gets longer as staff add further experiences and activities that their classes will take part in.

I wonder what the Summer Term has in store for us?



Website – Learning Links



Children can continue to consolidate what they learn at school through a range of safe websites. Use the link below to access these from our school website.

'Emile' is a recent addition and helps support spelling. Look out for login in details coming home with pupils soon.

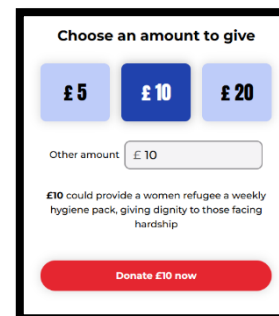
[Learning Links - Pye Green Academy](#)

Comic Relief

This year, Red Nose Day is on 21st March 2025.

Children can come to school wearing red and with 'crazy hair' if they would like to.

For any families wishing to donate, payments can be made by accessing the link below.



[Donate | Comic Relief](#)



Upcoming PTFA Events

Friday 4th April - Non-uniform day - we'd be grateful for donations of chocolate (Easter eggs, boxes of chocolate, bars of chocolate, anything chocolatey)

Monday 7th AND Wednesday 9th April - the return of our popular Chocolate Bingo! Tickets go on sale Monday morning and are expected to sell quickly so please book early to avoid disappointment (details in the attached poster).

Friday 9th May - a brand-new event for us! Hobby Horse race night - details to follow and tickets will be on sale soon!

Thanks, as always, for your support! We hope to have more news soon about the book vending machine for pupils.

Also Attached to the Newsletter This Week

- Transient Art Competition Information
- Spring Pupil Offer Pye Green Academy
- NEW Lunchtime Menus and Dates

What's Happening Next Week?



Communication

Football Match at Kingsmead

Upcoming Events – More Details to Follow

Wednesday 19th March – Football Match @ Kingsmead

Thursday 20th March – Nursery Places Deadline to Accept

Friday 21st March – Red Nose Day

Wednesday 26th March - 'Schools in Harmony' Choir Event at The Prince of Wales Theatre (Cannock)

Wednesday 26th March – Year 5 Visit to Shrewsbury Prison

Wednesday 26th March – Year 2 Parent Session: An Introduction to Accelerated Reader @ 3.30pm (more information to follow)

Wednesday 26th March – Football Match @ Kingsmead

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 – Dance Workshop (KS1) International Dance Day

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 Hobby Horse Race Night (details to follow) New Event Added**

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 2nd July – Meet the Teacher 'Parent Sessions' in Preparation for September 2025

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 17/03/2025

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