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# Newsletter

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## Roofing Works

Between now and the end of January 2026, there will be various contractors on site both during the week and at weekends. All contractors are fully DBS checked and will be managed by our office and site staff.

The contractors will be removing the existing solar panel fixings on the roof and recoating the entire roof before finally reinstalling new solar panels - hopefully before Christmas.

A compound has been set up in the staff car park to accommodate material and equipment. As a result, a letter was sent out this week advising that **parents will therefore no longer be able to access the car park**. Scaffolding will also need to be erected but this will not affect drop-offs or collection.

As you can imagine, this work has come at a significant financial cost. We are very grateful to Greenheart Learning Partnership who are funding this project.



Transition

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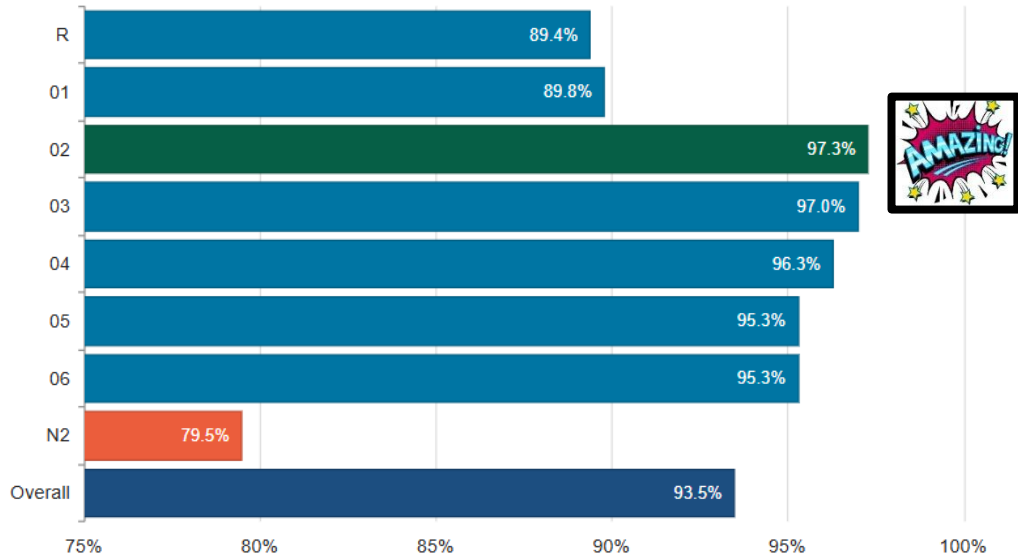
Home-School Links

Attendance



## Whole School Attendance

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Unfortunately, as a result of very high levels of sickness, whole school attendance this week has dipped significantly to 93.5%

Only two year groups receive certificates this week for attendance over 97%.

Well done, Year 2 for really excellent attendance this week 😊

### Operation Christmas Child

A project by Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child, sends gift-filled shoeboxes to children in need around the world. Each box contains toys, school supplies and hygiene items, bringing joy and hope to millions every year.

**Thank you so much for your generosity.**

As a school, we have filled an amazing 25 boxes with products to spare. All of the boxes and additional donations have been loaded today to be taken to the collection point.

Please find pictures on our X page showing our children helping load the boxes ready for their journey 😊



### Leading Parent Partnership Award Update

We are delighted to share that Pye Green is continuing its journey towards achieving the Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA).

This week, we had our mid-point assessment, and the advisor was extremely impressed with the progress we've made over the past year. They highlighted how strong our home-school partnerships are and how these relationships are making a real difference for our children.

Our final assessment is scheduled for May 2026, and between now and then, we have lots of exciting opportunities to strengthen our partnership even further. We'll be inviting parents to take part in events, workshops and initiatives designed to ensure that your voice remains at the heart of everything we do.

Thank you for your continued support – together, we are building a school community where every child thrives.

## Parental Supervision

Please ensure that when dropping off and collecting pupils, parents closely supervise their children at all times.

Children should be encouraged to stay close to their parents, not engage in play fighting or climbing on school equipment.

No pupils should be in the Forest School area before or after school unless they are with a member of staff.



Please support us to keep our children safe.

## Keeping Children Well This Winter – NHS Tips

- **Flu vaccine:** Available for 2–3-year-olds and all school-aged children.
- **Stay warm:** Keep rooms around 18°C and dress in layers.
- **Good hygiene:** Regular handwashing and cover coughs/sneezes.
- **Healthy habits:** Balanced diet, plenty of sleep, and indoor activities.
- **Be prepared:** Stock essentials like paracetamol, ibuprofen and a thermometer.



## Let's Get Talking – 'The Question Jar'

### How it works:

Create a Question Jar by finding a jar, box or container. Write down interesting, open-ended questions on slips of paper and put them inside.

### Examples:

- If you could invent something to make life easier, what would it be?
- What's the best thing about being part of our family?
- If animals could talk, what would your pet say to you?
- What's one thing you'd like to learn this year?

### Pick a Question Together:

- At dinner, bedtime or during a car ride, take turns pulling a question from the jar.
- Everyone shares their thoughts—no wrong answers!

### Extend the Talk:

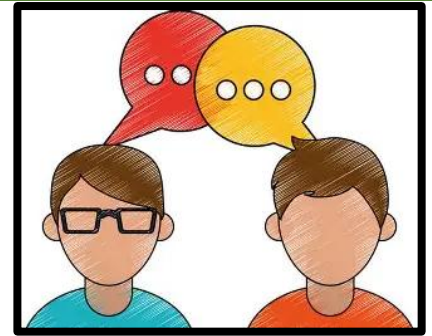
- Encourage children to ask follow-up questions like "Why do you think that?" or "Can you tell me more?"



- Model good listening and speaking skills: eye contact, clear voice and taking turns.

**How it works:**

- Builds vocabulary and confidence
- Strengthens family bonds
- Makes talking fun and purposeful



**Uniform**

We would like to remind you of our school uniform policy to ensure consistency and high standards across our community. A full copy of the policy is attached to this week's newsletter for your reference.

All pupils should wear the correct school uniform each day, including appropriate footwear.

Students must wear the designated PE kit on PE days. Children should not be wearing football tops.

For safety reasons, jewellery should be kept to a minimum. Only small stud earrings and a wristwatch are permitted.

Make-up should not be worn in school and false nails are also not allowed.

Thank you for your support in maintaining these standards. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.



**School Attendance**

**Reporting Absence**

If your child is too unwell to attend school, please contact us on 01543 227175 before 9:00am to let us know. You can call the school office directly, leave a message on our answerphone, or email us at [enquiries@pga.greenheartlearning.org](mailto:enquiries@pga.greenheartlearning.org).

This helps us keep accurate attendance records and ensures we know your child is safe.

**Absence Meetings**

We would like to remind parents that our school follows the Attendance Policy (attached to this newsletter).

This policy outlines the steps we take to support good attendance, including sending letters home if a pupil's attendance falls below expectations.

Should attendance become a significant concern, parents will be invited into school to meet with a member of the Senior Leadership Team and the Pastoral Team. These meetings are an opportunity for us to work together to identify any barriers and agree on strategies to improve attendance, ensuring every child has the best chance to succeed.



### **Non-Uniform Day - Next Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

The PTFA would be grateful for any donations for the Christmas Fair in exchange for wearing non-uniform next Friday. *Any of the following would be gratefully received please:*

<b>Nursery</b> – Biscuits	<b>Reception</b> - Pasta or cereals	<b>Year 1</b> – Chocolate	<b>Year 2</b> - Biscuits
<b>Year 3</b> – Toiletries	<b>Year 4</b> - Tinned items	<b>Year 5</b> - Tins or chocolate	<b>Year 6</b> - Bottles

Remember to get your raffle tickets at [www.pta-events.co.uk/pgs](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/pgs)  
Chance to win a MetaQuest VR headset!

### **Also Attached to the Newsletter This Week**

- Attendance Policy
- Uniform Policy
- Car Park Letter
- NHS Support Services
- Cleaner Vacancy at Westhill

### **What's Happening Next Week**

Wellbeing Assembly and Y5 Workshops



### **Upcoming Events – More Details to Follow**

- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025** – Year 4 Art Gallery Trip
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025** – Tempest Photography for Absentees
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025** – Year 5 Emotions Workshop
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025** – KS2 Emotions Assembly
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025** – Non-Uniform Day (Donations for the PTFA Christmas Fair Please)
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Get, Set Wow Day – Polar Express (Nursery, Reception and Year 1)
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Reception Nativity 9.30am
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Year 2 Christmas Performance 2.00pm
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Year 1 Christmas Performance 9.30am
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Nursery Christmas 'Sing Along' 2.30pm **(NEW)**
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – National Christmas Jumper Day
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Dinner Day
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Mrs Claus Visit to Reception Pupils (PTFA)
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – PTFA Christmas Fair
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025** - Mrs Claus Visit to Nursery Pupils (PTFA)
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Whole School Pantomime Day
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Year 5 and 6 Christmas Concert at Kingsmead 1.15pm
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – Year 3 and 4 Christmas Concert at Chadsmoor Church 1.30pm
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025** – PTFA End of Day Cake Sale
  
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026** – INSET DAY (School Closed to Pupils)
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January** – Pye Green Supporting Hednesford Council (tree planting)
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2026** – Reception Parent Lunch
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January** – Pye Green Supporting Hednesford Council (tree planting)
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2026** – Early Years PE Enrichment Day

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2026** – Parents' Evening  
**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026** – Parents' Evening  
**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** – PTFA Cake Sale on the Playground  
**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026** – Year 1 Parent Lunch  
**WB Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026** – Careers Week  
**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026** – Year 5 Computing Session at Kingsmead (one class)  
**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2026** – Year 5 Rainforest Roadshow  
**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026** – Supporting Behaviour at Home (Educational Psychologist Course)  
**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2026** – Year 5 Computing Session at Kingsmead (one class)  
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** – Non-Uniform Day (Donations for PTFA Chocolate Bingo Appreciated)  
**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026** – Year 2 Parent Lunch  
**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March** – PTFA Cake Sale on the Playground  
**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2026** – PE Enrichment Day (Playground Games KS2)  
**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026** – PE Enrichment Day (Playground Games KS1)  
**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026** – Year 1 Hay House Farm Visit (Farm to Fork)  
**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026** – Year 3 Parent Lunch  
**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026** – Year 4 Parent Lunch  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026** – PTFA Cake Sale on the Playground  
**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026** – INSET DAY (School Closed to Pupils)  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026** – Year 5 Visit to Carding Mill Valley  
**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026** – Year 5 Parent Lunch  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2026** – Year 1 Visit to Dudley Zoo  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2026** – PTFA Colour Run  
**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026** – Transition Afternoon 1  
**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026** – Meet the Teacher 4.00pm onwards (details to follow)  
**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026** – Year 2 Trip to Blackpool  
**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2026** - Transition Afternoon 2  
**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026** – Family Picnic  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026** – Year 6 Escape Room (PTFA)  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026** – PTFA Cake Sale on the Playground  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026** - INSET DAY (School Closed to Pupils)

### **Crucial Assessment Dates for 2025/2026**

**Throughout May 2026** – Y2 SATS tests (Please do not book holidays this month)  
**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026** – Year 6 SATS (please do not book holidays this week)  
**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026** – Y4 Times Tables Check (please do not book holidays this fortnight)  
**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026** – Year 1 Phonics Screening Week (Please do not book holidays this week)

Dates for 2026/2027 can be found by following the link <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/primary-assessments-future-dates>

## **School Year 2025 to 2026**

### **Autumn Term 2025**

**Term Ends:** Friday 19 December

**Holiday:** Monday 22 December – Friday 2 January

### **Spring Term 2026**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January INSET DAY – School closed to children (INSET DAY 3)**

**Term Starts:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> 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

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June INSET DAY – School closed to children (INSET DAY 4)**

**Term Ends:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July INSET DAY – School closed to children (INSET DAY 5)**

**Holiday:** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August

**Week Two Date W/C 24/11/2025**

Primary Menu Week 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAYS
Main Course (Red)	All Day Breakfast	Fish Finger Bap	Roast Chicken, Gravy & Stuffing	Chicken Tikka Masala	Meat Pizza
Vegetarian Main Course (Green)	All Day Veggie Breakfast (v)	Mac 'n' Cheese (v)	Quorn Balls, Gravy & Stuffing (v)	Country Veg Bake (v)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v)
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	Hash Browns Baked Beans Sweetcorn	Potato Wedges Broccoli Peas	Mashed & Roast Potatoes Cauliflower Peas	Rice Carrots Green Beans	Chips Baked Beans Peas
Sandwich Option (Blue)	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch	Tuna Packed Lunch	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch
Dessert	Banana Cake & Custard	Strawberry Mousse or Shortbread	Waffles with strawberries & toffee sauce	Raspberry & Apple Cake	Fruity Friday A selection of Fruit based desserts