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Newsletter

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Menu for week
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Message from Mrs Yates

As we begin the Christmas holidays, I would like to wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

This time of year is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the achievements and experiences we've shared as a school community. This term has been full of wonderful learning, achievements and special moments and none of this would be possible without our incredible staff team and your ongoing support. Over the holidays, I hope you find time to relax, laugh and enjoy precious moments with loved ones.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Tuesday 6th January** refreshed and ready for another fantastic year together.



Transition

Participation

Communication

Guidance

Induction

Home-School Links

Come Dine with Me



Our successful 'Come Dine with Me' parent and child lunches will continue next term.

On **Wednesday 21st January 2026**, we will welcome Reception parents to come and eat with their children.



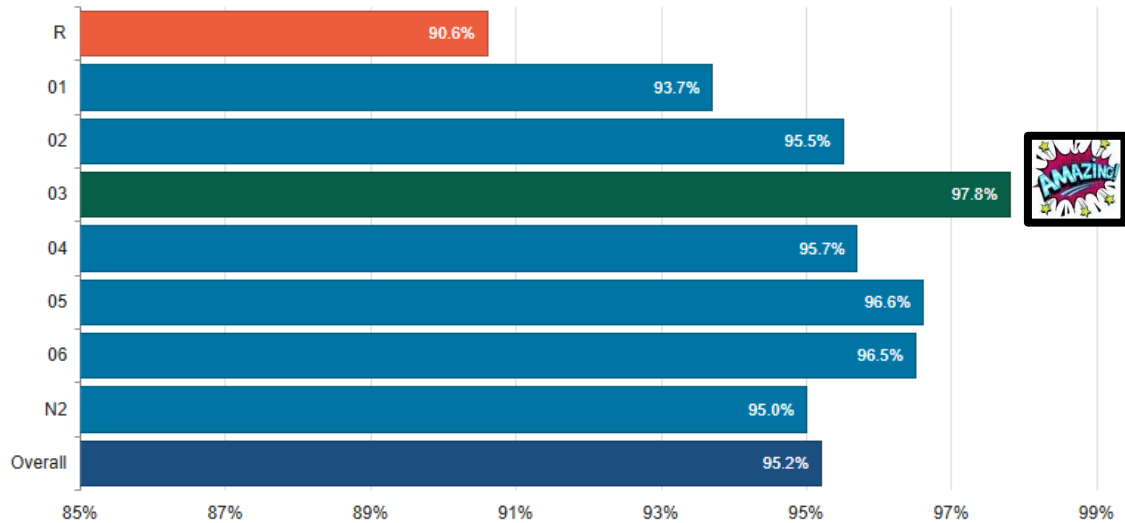
Letters have been sent out regarding this.

Dates for other year groups are on the upcoming events list at the end of the newsletter.

Attendance 

Whole School Attendance

Attendance 



School attendance this week has risen to 95.2% - well done, all! A great end to 2025.

Well done, Year 3 for the best attendance this week 😊

Christmas Concerts

This week, it has been a privilege to watch our Key Stage 2 children perform both on stage and in church. They really are a credit to our school community. To see the children speak and sing with such confidence and perform for their families really was heartwarming.

We are so proud of our children and wish you all a relaxing break with family and friends that is full of love and happiness.



PTFA

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all PTFA members for their hard work and dedication, which have made the past few weeks truly magical.

From the wonderful fair to visits from Mrs Claus, the pantomime, and the thoughtful gifts for the children, we are incredibly grateful for their continued support.

We are fortunate to have such a special group of parent volunteers! 😊



Emails to School

If you wish to contact school by email, please use our enquiries email address provided below.

enquiries@pga.greenheartlearning.org

Several parents have tried to respond to emails received via the My Child at School app but unfortunately these emails aren't reaching us.

Stay Well Parent Sessions

Please find attached to the newsletter information about free sessions parents can access delivered by Staffordshire Stay Well (mental health and wellbeing provision).



New Devices

Over Christmas, many children are potentially going to be having new devices, including mobile phones. Attached is a guide to keeping children safe if they are using WhatsApp to message. Although this app is aimed at **children aged 13** and over, we know many of our children regularly use it. Over the past term, we have had many conversations with both pupils and parents regarding inappropriate use of this app.

Please take some time to read this information and if you do decide to allow your child to use WhatsApp consider putting safety measures in place.

SAFE KIDS. SAFE CLICKS

WhatsApp
A Guide for Parents & Carers

WhatsApp is a free messenger app. It uses the internet to send messages, images, documents, audio or video. The app offers end-to-end encryption, which means that all messages can only be read by the sender and the recipient.

Age Rating 13+

- Privacy**
Show your child how to adjust their privacy settings, such as hiding their profile photo, last seen status and about info. Set them to either of the following:
• My Contacts: available to contacts from their address book only
• Nobody: not available to anyone
Talk to them about not sharing their personal details online.
- Messaging**
Encourage your child to think about these things before they message:
 - Is it kind?
 - Is it true?
 - Would your parents / guardians approve?
 - Would you say it to their face?
 - Have you asked permission to post photos?
 - Have you used your online manners?
 - You don't have to join in!
- Contacts**
Make your child understand that they should only connect with friends, family or trusted individuals. Teach them not to accept messages from unknown contacts. Go over with your child how to add, block and report contacts.
- Group Chats**
If a child is added into a Group Chat, it may include people they don't know. This can put them at risk of being contacted by a stranger. Go to Settings -> Privacy -> Groups. Select specific contacts that can add your child into groups. Encourage your child to only join a group with people they know and trust.
- Location**
WhatsApp allows users to share their location with others. If this feature is enabled, it could potentially let others track your child's location or discover their home address. Speak to your child about keeping this feature disabled.
- Check**
Check in with your child regularly to review their phone settings. Have an open dialogue about their WhatsApp usage and how often they are using the messaging app. Encourage them to share what they're experiencing and periodically check that they are staying safe and happy online.

Encourage your child to come to you if ANYTHING online makes them feel uncomfortable, upset or worried.

Silly School Education



Also Attached to the Newsletter This Week

- Stay Well Sessions
- Parental Control on New Devices

What's Happening Next Week



We will see you all on Tuesday 6th
January 2026 😊

Upcoming Events – More Details to Follow

Monday 5th January 2026 – INSET DAY (School Closed to Pupils)
Thursday 15th January – Pye Green Supporting Hednesford Council (tree planting)
Wednesday 21st January 2026 – Reception Parent Lunch
Tuesday 27th January – Pye Green Supporting Hednesford Council (tree planting)
Thursday 29th January 2026 – Early Years PE Enrichment Day
Wednesday 11th February 2026 – Parents' Evening
Thursday 12th February 2026 – Parents' Evening
Friday 13th February – PTFA Cake Sale on the Playground
Wednesday 25th February 2026 – Year 1 Parent Lunch
WB Monday 2nd March 2026 – Careers Week
Monday 2nd March 2026 – Year 5 Computing Session at Kingsmead (one class)
Monday 9th March 2026 – Year 5 Rainforest Roadshow
Thursday 12th March 2026 – Supporting Behaviour at Home (Educational Psychologist Course)
Monday 16th March 2026 – Year 5 Computing Session at Kingsmead (one class)
Friday 20th March – Non-Uniform Day (Donations for PTFA Chocolate Bingo Appreciated)
Wednesday 25th March 2026 – Year 2 Parent Lunch
Friday 27th March – PTFA Cake Sale on the Playground
Wednesday 22nd April 2026 – PE Enrichment Day (Playground Games KS2)
Thursday 23rd April 2026 – PE Enrichment Day (Playground Games KS1)
Wednesday 29th April 2026 – Year 1 Hay House Farm Visit (Farm to Fork)
Wednesday 29th April 2026 – Year 3 Parent Lunch
Wednesday 20th May 2026 – Year 4 Parent Lunch
Friday 22nd May 2026 – PTFA Cake Sale on the Playground
Monday 1st June 2026 – INSET DAY (School Closed to Pupils)
Tuesday 2nd June 2026 – Year 5 Visit to Carding Mill Valley
Wednesday 24th June 2026 – Year 5 Parent Lunch
Friday 26th June 2026 – Year 1 Visit to Dudley Zoo
Friday 26th June 2026 – PTFA Colour Run
Wednesday 1st July 2026 – Transition Afternoon 1
Wednesday 1st July 2026 – Meet the Teacher 4.00pm onwards (details to follow)
Thursday 2nd July 2026 – Year 2 Trip to Blackpool
Wednesday 8th July 2026 - Transition Afternoon 2
Wednesday 8th July 2026 – Year 6 Leaver's Evening
Friday 10th July 2026 – Family Picnic
Wednesday 15th July 2026 – Year 6 Escape Room (PTFA)
Friday 17th July 2026 – PTFA Cake Sale on the Playground
Monday 20th 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 11th May – Thursday 14th May 2026 – Year 6 SATS (please do not book holidays this week)
Monday 1st June – Friday 12th June 2026 – Y4 Times Tables Check (please do not book holidays this fortnight)
Monday 8th June – Friday 12th 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 5th January INSET DAY – School closed to children (INSET DAY 3)

Term Starts: Tuesday 6th 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 1st June INSET DAY – School closed to children (INSET DAY 4)

Term Ends: Friday 17th July

Monday 20th July INSET DAY – School closed to children (INSET DAY 5)

Holiday: Monday 20th July – Monday 31st August

Week Three Date W/C 05.01.2026

Primary Menu Week 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAYS
Main Course (Red)	Inset Day	Chicken Taco	Roast Beef Gravy & Yorkshire Pudding	Meatball in Tomato Sauce	Meat Pizza
Vegetarian Main Course (Green)		French Bread Pizza (v)	Vegetarian Sausage, Gravy & Yorkshire Pudding (v)	Katsu Quorn Dippers (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
Vegetables Carbs		Potato Wedges Carrots Peas	Mashed & Roast Potatoes Broccoli Sweetcorn	Diced Potatoes or Pasta Green Beans Carrots	Chips Peas Baked Beans Peas
Sandwich Option (Blue)		Cheese Packed Lunch	Tuna Packed Lunch	Ham Packed Lunch	Cheese Packed Lunch
Dessert		Cookie Selection	Vanilla Iced Sponge	Chocolate & Pear Cake	Fruity Friday A selection of Fruit based desserts