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**Dates for your Diary**

Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Girls Football Tournament @ Fleetville
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Performance @ 2.00 pm (siblings welcome)
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Performance @ 7.00pm Children to arrive at 6.30 pm (No children under Year 7 please)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Secondary Transfer Day
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Evening 3.00 pm - 4.00 pm & 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	FOBS Break the Rules Day £1.00
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am (This will be the last celebration assembly this term)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports out to Parents/Carers
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ 11.00 am, Year 6 finish @ 12.00 Year 6 Parents/Carers invited
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Term ends @ 1.30 pm

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Headteacher's Message**

What a wonderful week it has been at Bowmansgreen!

The week kicked off on Monday with an assembly led by The Young Film Makers' Club who are going to be running an after school club in September. The response from the children has been so fantastic that a lunchtime club will also be running to accommodate the number of interested pupils. I am looking forward to seeing their finished films!

Wednesday's sports day was a great success! It was lovely to see all of your children enjoying their activities and having fun in the (just about bearable!) sun. Thank you for coming out to support your children and for helping to make it such a lovely day. I know you will join me in saying a huge thank you to Mr Wilson, Miss Brennan and Mr Sanders for organising such a wonderful event.

The next couple of weeks are going to be incredibly busy so please check the diary dates so that you don't miss any of the exciting events involving your children.

As you know, we had to raise the price of our breakfast club at Easter to £2 per adult and child. I appreciate that this price rise has affected the affordability of this provision for some of our families. Please note that a letter will be sent out next week explaining the need for the price increase and our plans for the future.

Next week, Year 6 will be performing their production of 'Yee-Ha' to the whole school and to parents. Please come along to enjoy the show on Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday evening.

Thursday is our final curriculum evening of the year with the focus on design and technology. These evenings have proved to be a huge success and a wonderful opportunity to find out about some of your child's learning this half-term. The evening will also serve as our open-evening and an opportunity for you to meet your child's new class teacher. We look forward to seeing you all there.

**FOBS - Summer Term Events**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July** - FOBS Meeting @ 7.00 pm

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July** - Break the Rules Day £1.00 per child if they break any of the rules below.

**The rules:**

No nail varnish. No trainers. No make-up. No face paints. No crazy hair or colours in hair. No temporary tattoos.

**Breakfast Club News**

Have you ever been to a summer disco at 7.30am? Well, this is what's happening for the last few Fridays at Breakfast Club.

This week we have had bacon, scrambled eggs and beans followed by a disco. Great fun!

We are ready for summer - are you? ☺

**Attendance**

Best Attendance - 4WB

Most Improved - 4WB

### Cockerel Cards

Well done to the following children who received cockerel cards during the week to Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

Alexia	Rec BC	Achievement	Jake	4SP	Achievement
Noah	Rec BC	Achievement	Elijah	4SP	Bravo
Amy	Rec JD	Achievement	Oscar	4SP	Bravo
Noah	1H	Achievement	Taeya	4SP	Bravo
Emily	1H	Achievement	Rhia	4SP	Bravo
Morgan	2C	Bravo	Jack	5C	Achievement
Lea	2C	Bravo	Lily	5C	Achievement
Max	2C	Bravo	Isa	5C	Achievement
Charlotte	2C	Bravo	Yasir	5C	Achievement
Ava	3DT	Bravo	Lottie	5C	Bravo
Haroon	3DT	Bravo	Lacie	5C	Bravo
Sebastian	3DT	Bravo	Albie	5C	Bravo
Chloe	3DT	Bravo	Emily	5C	Bravo
Charlie	3DT	Bravo	Kelyan	6G	Bravo
Daniel	3DT	Bravo	Sara	6G	Bravo
Ella	3S	Bravo			
Isabelle	3S	Bravo			

### Early Years News

#### This week

This week the children had a great time at sports day. They enjoyed trying out lots of new activities and cheering each other on. This week, as well as practising for sports day, the children have been making animal enclosures in many different areas of the classroom. They have continued to paint their favourite animals and make junk models of them too. In maths, we have been focusing on the number 10. The children have been exploring all the ways they can group 10 objects and writing number sentences. We also really enjoyed learning about keeping our teeth healthy from the School Nurses.

#### Next week

Next week we will be learning about the seaside and animals that live in water. We will be reading the story 'Sharing a Shell' by Julia Donaldson. We will be talking about the importance of sharing with our friends as well as looking at the setting of the story. The children will also have a chance to watch the year 4, 5 and 6 play! Next Thursday as well as it being the curriculum evening the children will be meeting their year 1 teacher - you too, will have a chance to come and meet them at the curriculum evening.

#### Junk modelling

This week the children have been enjoying making rain makers and animals. To help them continue with this we would appreciate any donations of small boxes and kitchen roll tubes.

### Churches Together Food Bank Dates

Please find below the dates for the food bank at The Baptist Church, Kings Road. It is open between 10.00 am & 11.00 am on:

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> & Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July      Monday 7<sup>th</sup> & Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August**

### FOBS - Summer Spectacular

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported us last Saturday - we had an amazing day! FOBS are pleased to let you know that we raised a fantastic £3094. 😊

A big thank you to all the volunteers who helped either on the day or beforehand with one of the many jobs that need doing. 😊

### Music News

Elissa and Jacey from 3DT recently took Grade 1 Recorder. The results came out this week, and they both achieved amazing marks. Jacey did especially well in her third piece, an unaccompanied study, and Elissa performed her second piece, Legend, extremely well. 'I really enjoy playing the recorder and I was not very nervous during the exam as it just felt like another performance' said Elissa. They are now both studying for Grade 2 and are making amazing progress! We look forward to hearing them play in our celebration assembly next week. 😊

## Sports News

### *Y6 Kwik Cricket*

On a hot afternoon at OA's Cricket Club, the Bowmansgreen team were up against tough opposition in the first game - Wheatfields, who were the current champions. Batting first, Bowmansgreen found it hard to hit boundaries against a strong bowling attack. The innings ended with a score of 54. Bowling next, the Bowmansgreen team worked hard and kept Wheatfields down to their lowest total of the day - 96, losing the game however by 42 runs.

Next up was Bernards Heath, again a strong side. The game was much tighter this time with Bowmansgreen bowling first, Bernards Heath scored 100. Bowmansgreen team fought hard but only scored 72. The last game was against the Garden Fields B side - which was their best year 5s - and restricted them to 88 when batting. It looked a total well within reach and with 2 overs to go it was really tight. Garden Fields though, held their catches to get Bowmansgreen wickets and win the game with Bowmansgreen scoring 73.

Squad - Sam E, Jed, Sam FB, Austin, Max, Jess, Mia, Taegan.

## Sports Day

On Wednesday all the children (and a few parents) took part in our annual sports day. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves, despite the heat and they demonstrated their wide range of skills on the various activities whilst remembering the qualities of a good sports person. As a school we are very lucky to have so many talented children. Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to support their children - the atmosphere was incredible! We hope that you enjoyed sports day as much as we did. Well done again to all the children you were all amazing!

Class	Winner	Sportsmanship
Rec BC	Tigers - Harry, Isabella, Valentino, Noah, Amirah, Eliza	Ryan, Rosa, Isla-Grace, Amirah, Harrison
Rec JD	Captain America - Maxwell, Lucy, Riley, Brecon, Tate, Lacey	Spiderman - Mason, Evie, Tommie, Zak, Abigail
1R	Jellyfish - Issa, Poppy, Chloe, Anisa, Blake	Seahorse - Charlie, Aurora, Morgan, Amelia, Liam
1H	Sting Rays - Noah, Riley, Edie, Taylor, Alesha	Octopus - Emily, Miles, Sunny, Harry, Emily
2C	Rainbow Power - Olivier, Preston, Tia, Morgan, Ellie, Sumaiya	Lottie, Mikail, Max
3S	Speedy Squirrels - Tom, Luca, Olivia, Izzy, Logan, Miley	Outstanding Oxen's - Sadie, Madeline, Kiera, Cieran, Karl, Max
3T	Elissa, Jahira, Faye, Daniel, Jacey, George	Charlie, Verity
4WB	The Speedicorns - Luke, Lola, Jaake, Mara, Kyle	The Pro's - Daniel, Lacey, Ismael, Zoe, Angel
4B	Leopards - Abbi, Ollie, Jack, Mariya, George	Cobras - Samuel, Laila, George, Nafisa, Faiha
5W	Fantastic Foxes - Leila, Dylan, Andrew, Scarlett, Kaleb, Lexi	Charging Cheetahs - Bianca, Yunus, Adam, Aneesah, Jacob
5C	Sprinting Sensations - Alfie, Sienna, Mia, Lottie, Riley, Ryan	Tigers - Zeph, Owen, Lily, Alex, Emily, Yasmina Thunderbolts - Albie, Kieron, Tiago, Kyeesha, Leah, Isabella
6G	Cheeky Chipmunks - Hichem, Sara, Mia, Camille, Kelyan	Turbo Tortoises - Bradley, Zsofia, Max, Daria, Abdul
6HS	Lightning Leopards - Taegan, Arhum, Ellis, Tyler, Kaylem	Running Rabbits - Theo, Stephanie, Bethany, Emily, Cameron



## Triathlon

On Tuesday the Year 5 and some Year 3 students went to Westminster Lodge and took part in the Mini Triathlon.

The children started the afternoon by swimming a lap of the pool before climbing out of the pool and running from the pool to the athletics track (still in their swimming kit). Once at the athletics track the children jumped on a bike to cycle twice around the athletics track. All the children tried their hardest and supported their peers all the way around the course.

The children behaved amazingly well and couldn't have represented Bowmansgreen any better! Well done to all the children who took part it was a fantastic afternoon.



## School Meals

KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) school dinners will increase to £2.40 per day in September.

Year 2 children who are currently having school dinners will continue to have school dinners unless we are advised that you would like to change them to packed lunches in September.

If you would like to make a change to your child's meal arrangements for September, i.e. from packed lunch to school meals or from school meals to packed lunch please let the office know by Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July.

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### RENEWAL OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS APPLICATIONS (for September 2017)

As with last year, this summer the Education Benefit Team will automatically renew free school meals for children who currently receive a meal. This means in most cases, children that attend Bowmansgreen from September 2017 will continue to get a meal and parents need not contact us or re-apply.

- Letters will only be sent to families whose children are no longer entitled to receive a meal
- If you wish to apply for free school meals please use this link [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)