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Dates for your Diary	
Tuesday 20 th June	5C Science Eco Day
Tuesday 20 th June	District Sports @ Westminster Lodge
Wednesday 21 st June	New Reception Look In Session 2 10.30 am - 12.00 noon
Thursday 22 nd June	District Sports @ Westminster Lodge
Thursday 22 nd June	Bowmansgreen's Got Talent Final @ 6.30 pm
Friday 23 rd June	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Tuesday 27 th June	Reception - Paradise Wildlife Park
Wednesday 28 th June	Girls Kwik Cricket @ Clarence Park
Thursday 29 th June	New Reception Look In 3 10.30 am - 12.00 noon
Thursday 29 th June	Non Uniform Day Please bring in items for the tombola in exchange for wearing non uniform
Friday 30 th June	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Saturday 1 st July	Summer Spectacular 11.30 am - 3.00 pm
Wednesday 5 th July	Kwik Cricket at OA's
Wednesday 5 th July	Sports Day
Friday 7 th July	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Saturday 8 th July	Girls Football Tournament @ Fleetville
Tuesday 11 th July	KS2 Performance @ 2.00 pm (siblings welcome)
Wednesday 12 th July	KS2 Performance @ 7.00pm Children to arrive at 6.30 pm (No children under Year 7 please)
Thursday 13 th July	Secondary Transfer Day
Thursday 13 th July	Open Evening 3.05 pm - 4.00 pm & 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm
Friday 14 th July	FOBS Break the Rules Day
Friday 14 th July	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am (This will be the last celebration assembly this term)
Friday 14 th July	Reports out to Parents/Carers
Friday 21 st July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ 11.00 am, Year 6 finish @ 12.00 Year 6 Parents/Carers invited
Friday 21 st July	Term ends @ 1.30 pm

Dear Parents/Carers,

Headteacher's Message

Please could parents ensure that children do not ride bikes and scooters around on the school site. Pupils must push and walk them from the school gates.

We are very lucky that we have such an active and supportive parents' association at Bowmansgreen. FOBS organise many events during the school year and raise a considerable amount of money for the school which your children directly benefit from. This week, I met with members of the FOBS committee to discuss current and future fundraising and I am very excited about some of the projects that we have lined up for the future. Today's father's day sale was as successful as ever and I know that there will be a great turn-out for tonight's cinema night which your children love.

The Parent Council is another part of the Bowmansgreen school community which works very hard to support the school. There have been lots of ideas and suggestions which they have put forward, including the purchase of a defibrillator, which have caused positive change and improvement. The parent council has been a great source of information, feedback and support for me in my first year at Bowmansgreen and another example of how the school is very well supported by its parents. The parent council is a great way for parents to have their voices heard within the school community and it always welcomes new members.

Next week, the weather is forecast to reach 30 degrees. Please ensure that your child brings a hat and that they have suncream applied before they come to school. We will review our play and lunchtime arrangements on the very hot days to ensure that pupils do not get too much exposure to the sun.

Well done to all of the children who auditioned for Bowmansgreen's Got Talent. Congratulations to the finalists and we look forward to seeing your performances next Thursday. Parents whose children are in the final will today been notified by text and letter.

School Defibrillator

We are pleased to inform you that the school now has its own defibrillator which will be put up in our Medical Room to allow easy access to it in an emergency. Members of the school staff have also received training in how to use the defibrillator. This is a hugely beneficial piece of life saving equipment which we are very proud to have at school. Thank you to the Parent Council for suggesting that Bowmansgreen should have a defibrillator and to FOBS for fundraising to purchase it.

Cockerel Cards

Well done to the following children who received cockerel cards during the week to Wednesday 14th June.

Isla-Grace	Rec BC	Achievement	Phoebe	3DT	Achievement & Bravo
Harry	Rec BC	Achievement	Erin	3DT	Bravo
Eliza	Rec BC	Achievement x 2	Pavlos	3DT	Bravo
Lexie	Rec BC	Achievement	Verity	3DT	Bravo
Amy	Rec JD	Bravo	Poppy	3S	Achievement
Lukas	2C	Achievement	Eva	3S	Achievement
Amira	2C	Bravo	Kiera	3S	Achievement
Marwha	2C	Bravo	Chisom	3S	Achievement
Subhaan	2C	Achievement	Tayla	3S	Bravo
Ellie	2C	Bravo	Avril	3S	Achievement
Shay	2T	Bravo	Taylah	4B	Achievement
Ruby	2T	Bravo	Luca	4B	Achievement
Marwa	2T	Bravo	Kyle	4SP	Achievement
Ruby	2T	Achievement & Bravo	Jack	4SP	Achievement
Fariha	2T	Bravo	Shaun	6G	Bravo
Brendon	2T	Bravo	Theo	PSB	Bravo
Lyra	2T	Bravo	Amelia	PSB	Achievement
Jed	2T	Bravo	Alfie	PSB	Bravo x 2
Charlie	3DT	Bravo x 2	Felix	PSB	Achievement
Elissa	3DT	Achievement			

Sports News

Swimming

Last Friday, the St Albans District team won the overall Rosebowl trophy at the 2017 Herts Primary Schools Inter-District Swimming Champs. Congratulations to Year 5's Leila and Jack who were part of that District team. Leila came 2nd in the breaststroke with a personal best and Jack came 3rd in backstroke also with a personal best. Overall, the Y5 girls came 3rd the Y5 boys came 2nd. Well done Leila and Jack.

Basketball

The year 4 Basketball team consisting of Freddie, Ollie, Tommy, Daniel, Zoe, Mara, Rhiannon and Laila competed at Oaklands College on Tuesday.

Playing against other schools in St Albans including Fleetville, Bernards Heath, Cunningham Hill and Garden Fields, the squad were fantastic and won all 5 games played. They only conceded 2 baskets in total which was great!

The format involved the players starting off with some quality coaching from England U18 internationals and then a round robin tournament. Each game was 8 minutes long and very tiring for all the teams as it is an end to end game.

Freddie and Ollie were also selected to attend the Oaklands Wolves training sessions, a selection process for which only a few were chosen.

Well done to all the whole squad, who were a credit to themselves and the school.

FOBS - Summer Term Events

Thursday 29 th June	Non-uniform day in exchange for tombola gifts
Saturday 1 st July	Summer Spectacular (11.30 am - 3.00 pm)
Tuesday 11 th July	FOBS Meeting @ 7.00 pm
Friday 14 th July	Break the Rules Day

Groovy Shoes for Rennie Grove Hospice - Friday 16th June



Thank you to all the children and staff who participated in groovy shoes day today. We are pleased to let you know that we raised an amazing £212.00 for Rennie Grove Hospice.

Breakfast Club News

Scrambled eggs, tennis outside and sunshine, what a lovely week we have had.

Next week starting on Monday we have fidget spinner tricks at Breakfast Club, so come along and show everyone your best trick!

Tennis will be outside if it continues to be lovely weather. See you bright and early from 7.30am.

Reception News

This week

This week the children have enjoyed telling the story of 'The Gingerbread Man'. They have enjoyed creating gingerbread people on the creative table and painting easel as well as baking their own gingerbread man. The children had fun trying on shoes in our shoe shop, measuring their feet and designing their own shoes at the junk modelling table. In maths we have been working on developing the children's 'number sense'. We have been helping them to subitise. Subitising is the ability to look at a small group of objects and without counting and know how many are there. To help your child with this at home you could play card games and games with dice such as snakes and ladders.

Next week

Next week we will be reading the story 'Rainbow Fish'. We will be focusing on the message of sharing and being a good friend as well as learning about under the sea. We will be asking them to estimate amounts in maths. We will be reading the book 'How Big is a Million?'.

Bike ride

The resources purchased with the money from the sponsored bike ride have mostly arrived. We now have a new larger sized bike for the outdoor area, new lifelike building bricks and storage container, a range of new resources for sand and water play and some new PE equipment. We will lay out the new resources for you to see next week.

School Choir at the Radlett Festival

The choir appeared at the Radlett Festival on Sunday. They performed two songs on their own, and the audience was so impressed with their singing, especially as they sang in two part harmony. A small group of singers from Bowmansgreen also lead the verses and dancing for the finale song 'You can't stop the beat' from Hair Spray, which they sang with three other local schools. This was so good that they had to sing it again as an encore! Thank you to all the parents, families and carers who brought their children to the festival. They were amazing!

Year 6 PGL Trip

From raft-building to giant swings, Bowmansgreen's Year 6 students thoroughly enjoyed an action-packed week away as they travelled to PGL Osmington Bay in Dorset last week.

After loading up the coach and saying their goodbyes on Monday morning, Year 6 headed towards Weymouth, stopping at Avon Heath Country Park on the way for a picnic and some games. Despite torrential rain and blustery winds during the first evening, the children settled into their cabins, enjoyed a delicious dinner and played Cluedo around the centre.



The following three and a half days saw our Year 6 children participate in 14 different activities, including: rifle shooting, zip wire, aeroball, quad biking, Jacob's ladder, abseiling, raft-building, giant swing and a beach walk along the scenic Dorset coastline.

Thankfully, the weather improved as the week progressed and the children were able to challenge themselves on the many exciting activities that were lined up.

Well done to all who attended and represented Bowmansgreen School admirably, demonstrating respect, enthusiasm and teamwork throughout.

Thank you to Mr Harnden, Mr Gowler, Miss Brennan, Miss Hancock, Mr Sanders, Ms Scoot and Ms Lipa for organising the trip and accompanying the children during their memorable week away.



St Albans Half Marathon - Sunday 11th June

Congratulations to Jacey, Eva, Tylan, Charlie and Harry who all completed the St Albans 1½ mile fun run on Sunday.

It was fabulous to see you all represent Bowmansgreen and run so well. Well done! 😊



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 26th June