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Newsletter 8

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Dates for your Diary	
Monday 6 th November	Boys v Cunningham Hill (away)
Monday 6 th November	Girls v Cunningham Hill Netball
Tuesday 7 th November	Home+School = Together EY & KS1 Maths
Tuesday 7 th November	3D Trip to Airbus Science/Eco
Thursday 9 th November	Boys v Killigrew (away)
Friday 10 th November	Celebration Assembly @ 2.30 pm
Friday 10 th November	Boys v Mandeville (home)

Dear Parents/Carers,

Headteacher's Message

Welcome back! This half-term promises to be very busy with planning already under way for our Nativity and Christmas performances, our carol concert and Christingle service. Please check the 'dates for your diary' for events relating to your child.

Pupils have returned after the break with a very positive attitude to their learning and they are producing some exceptional work. I have been so impressed with the quality of poetry that I have read across the school this week. Bowmansgreen clearly has some very talented poets!

Forest School has arrived at Bowmansgreen! This week, pupils in 3S were the first to experience this new part of our curriculum. They spent the day learning and working together outside and had a fantastic day. I am very excited about this aspect of our school curriculum which will make the most of our wonderful school grounds and help to build pupils' resilience, collaboration skills and self-esteem through hands-on outdoor learning experiences. Mrs Stanley will contact parents when it is the turn of your child and their wellies!

Today, pupils in Y1-Y6 were able to take part in the Big First Aid Lesson which was live-streamed to their classrooms. This interactive lesson, organised by St John's Ambulance, was based on the theme of bonfire night and included safety tips and first-aid information associated with firework-related injuries as well as more general life-saving skills.

On Thursday, we were treated to a workshop led by students from the Purcell School for young musicians. Pupils were able to see and hear a selection of orchestral instruments being played, including a harp - which was very exciting! It was great to be able to welcome back the very talented musicians from Purcell and they certainly entertained and inspired your children.

Please be reminded that next Tuesday we are holding another parent workshop, this time with the theme of maths in the Early Years and Key Stage One. Parents who attend are asked to make their way straight to the mobile classrooms after the drop-off, where tea and coffee is available, rather than wait in the school lobby. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible.

Enjoy the fireworks and stay safe this weekend.



Star for Kindness - October

Congratulations to Maddie in 5CW, our October Star for Kindness. Maddie was chosen by Mrs Connell.



Ms Scoot Award for Effort - October

Congratulations to Rhia in 5CW, our October winner of the Ms Scoot Award for Effort. Rhia was chosen by Miss Brennan.



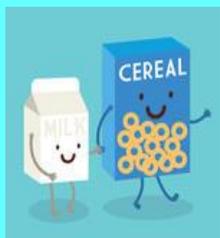
Churches Together Food Bank Dates

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 13th & Monday 27th November

Christmas Lunch Reminder

Please return your child's Christmas meal option form by **Tuesday 7th November** if they would like the Christmas dinner on Wednesday 13th December. Cost for KS2 children is £2.40.

Breakfast Club News from Mrs Stanley



Hope you all had a lovely break. Congratulations to Emily who won the Monster Pumpkin - hope you enjoyed carving it for Halloween! We all enjoyed our scrambled egg, beans and sausages today, followed by our Friday Movie 'Lego Batman.'

As winter is approaching, please make sure the children have warm, named coats with them. Have a great, safe Bonfire weekend and see you at 7.30am Monday morning. Next week we are making our giant Poppy from Tuesday onwards so come along to make yours.

Forest Schools with Mrs Stanley

This week was our very first Forest School session at Bowmansgreen. All the children will be able to take part over the year. The weather was fine and dry and the autumn leaves were very crunchy! Class 3S spent the day outside making 'hibernation nests,' leaf colour lines, recognising leaves and trees and best of all burying each other in a bed of leaves. Even Mrs Stanley was covered in autumn leaves by the children! We had homemade vegetable soup in the morning and carved Pumpkins in the afternoon. The smell of the pine needles made us think about winter time and Christmas.

What a great start to the programme! Looking forward to working with all the children over the year.



Purcell School Visit

We were very lucky to receive a visit on Thursday from the very talented musicians from the Purcell School. The children were thoroughly entertained and enjoyed participating in the performances.





Girls v Skyswood

The girls played against Skyswood on Thursday and ran away with a 2-0 win. They produced a fantastic performance, especially as most of the girls were playing their first match for the school. Anisa and Rhia scored the goals. Well done girls!

Squad - Daisy, Bianca, Abbi, Darcie, Jacey, Keira, Anisa & Rhia.



St Albans Primary Cross Country Champs - Wheatfields

Well done to all of the children who took part in the Cross Country race on Wednesday afternoon. Here are the results:

Girls

Laila B - 15
Leila O-B - 41
Mya H - 72
Mia P - 78
Anisa - 84
Lacey - 85

Boys

James - 18
Tommy - 50
Zeph - 61
Isa - 78
Evan - 80
Jack - 99