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Newsletter 16

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 22 nd Jan	Girls Football v Garden Fields (Home)
Monday 22 nd Jan	Space to Earth View Workshops - Whole School
Tuesday 23 rd Jan	2TC Trip to Airbus Science/Eco
Tuesday 23 rd Jan	Parent Workshop - Relationships & Sex Education
Wednesday 24 th Jan	Girls Football v Fleetville (Away)
Thursday 25 th Jan	Boys Football v Skyswood (Home)
Friday 26 th Jan	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00am
Friday 26 th Jan	Boys Football v Mandeville (Away)
Monday 29 th Jan	Y3/Y4 Boys Football v Garden Fields (Away)
Tuesday 30 th Jan	5CW ½ class Eco Day
Tuesday 30 th Jan	Team GB Athlete Marilyn Okorro in for Workshops - Whole School
Wednesday 31 st Jan	Year 5 @ Young Voices (estimated arrival time back at School 11.00pm)
Wednesday 31 st Jan	Girls Football v Skyswood (Home)
Thursday 1 st Feb	Whole School Sponsored Event - raising money for Team GB Athlete Marilyn Okorro
Thursday 1 st Feb	Boys Football v Aboyne Lodge (Away)
Friday 2 nd Feb	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00am
Friday 2 nd February	Disco for British Heart Foundation Rec/KS1 5.30 - 6.30 KS2 6.45 - 8.00
Monday 5 th Feb	Boys Football v Killigrew (Home)
Tuesday 6 th Feb	Parent Workshop - Grammar
Tuesday 6 th Feb	6G ½ class Eco Day
Wednesday 7 th Feb	Boys Football v Margaret Wix (Away)
Thursday 8 th Feb	Maths Curriculum Evening - All welcome 3.00pm - 4.00pm & 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Thursday 8 th Feb	Boys Football v Skyswood (Home)
Friday 9 th Feb	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00am
Mon 12 - Fri 16 Feb	HALF TERM

School Disco - Friday 2nd February

Miss Ditella is running the London Marathon on Sunday 22nd April in aid of the British Heart Foundation. To raise money she will be holding a disco at school on Friday 2nd February.

Rec/KS1 5.30pm - 6.30pm KS2 6.45pm - 8.00pm

It's £3.00 per child which includes squash, biscuits & face painting. Glow bands are available for 50p each, All money raised will go towards Miss Ditella's fundraising for the British Heart Foundation. Please come along and support. ☺

Headteacher's Message

This week, we welcomed two new members of the school community to Bowmansgreen. Cotton and Socks (our two newly adopted rabbits) have settled into their new home. Pupils have shown them lots of love and attention and have been helping them to get used to their new surroundings.

Please be reminded that our next parent workshop takes place on Tuesday morning at 9am with the focus on Relationships and Sex Education. Please see the section about Parent Workshops on the next page.

Forest School at Bowmansgreen has proved to be a very popular and much enjoyed part of our curriculum. Pupils who have taken part so far have had fun learning and working together around the school site and Mrs Stanley has been really impressed with the positive attitudes, resilience and great team-work that pupils have shown. Next term, Mrs Stanley will be leading a parent workshop focused on Forest School so that parents can find out more about this part of our curriculum. When your child takes part in Forest School, please ensure that they wear warm layers, hardwearing clothing that you don't mind getting dirty and sturdy outdoor shoes or boots. They will get messy!

On Monday, pupils will be taking part in The View from Space to Earth event - a duathlon run by the Triathlon trust. For more information about what your children will be involved in, please follow the link below. https://www.triathlontrust.org/news/the-view-from-space-to-earth_158

I have been really inspired by two of our KS2 pupils this week. Thomas (4C) will be taking part in Macmillan's 'Brave the Shave' and Eva (4C) is currently in the process of swimming the length of the English Channel (not in one go!) to raise money for Wateraid. In Monday's assembly, they were able to explain to the whole school what their sponsored challenges will involve and their reasons for supporting their chosen charities.

Have a lovely weekend.

Attendance

KS1 - 2TC (Mrs Clark)

KS2 - 5CW (Miss Wynne)

Breakfast Club News from Mrs Stanley



Next week is National Farmhouse Breakfast Week and every morning we will be having activities and encouraging the children to eat a healthy breakfast. On Friday we would like as many people as possible to join us for breakfast when our Special Farmhouse Breakfast will be bacon, eggs, beans, tomatoes and mushrooms.

Looking forward to seeing you all next week from 7.30am.

Team GB Athlete Marilyn Okoro Visit - Tuesday 30th January

We are very excited to let parents/carers know that we are going to be visited by Team GB athlete Marilyn Okorro on 30th January. Marilyn will be taking workshops with each year group. The workshops will include healthy eating, growth mind-set and a question and answer session.

After Marilyn's visit, Mr Sanders and Mr Cropper will be organising a whole school sponsored "*Circuit Challenge*"

This will comprise of:

Killers (short burst of sprinting)	Leg drives	Burpees	
Press ups	Triceps dips	Sit ups	Star jumps

Each activity will last for one minute and the children will be counting how many they do on each one; this will be recorded. On the 2nd circuit, they will be attempting to beat the previous total, again recording the result. The circuits will be during their PE lessons in the week after the athlete's visit.

Your child will be bringing a sponsor form home with them today, to raise money in support of Team GB Athletes. All children who raise money will receive a prize, depending upon how much they raise.

Parent Workshops

Next week's workshop is about our Sex and Relationships policy and the PSHE Curriculum. If you have any questions or concerns about what your children will be learning, this is a perfect opportunity for you to meet the teachers involved in its implementation at our school.

Our workshops have been a great success, and we're looking forward to providing more help, support and information in 2018. Thank you to everyone who has attended so far. If you haven't already, please do come along. You'll get a warm welcome, and we're always happy to see new faces. The workshops are a great opportunity to meet other parents, and learn more about what's available for you and your family, from school and the outside companies we work with. There's plenty of free tea and biscuits, and toys to entertain pre-school age siblings. Our Nearly New uniform shop will be running at the same time - it's a great way to save money on uniform.

This term's parent workshops take place on the dates shown below between 9.00am and 10am. All parents are welcome and are encouraged to come along if you can.

Tuesday 23rd January - Relationships and Sex Education
Tuesday 6th February - English (Grammar &
Tuesday 20th February - NSPCC - Child Protection
Tuesday 27th February - First Aid for Parents (If you have booked online)
Tuesday 13th March - Inspiring Girls
Tuesday 27th March - Computing

Environmental Workshops from Ruby Raut

This week we had the Food Waste Ninja back to our school where she talked about the environmental impact of food waste. The school learned about the process of food, from growing to throwing and its environmental impact.

It takes a lot of energy, water, effort, love, resources and money to get food to our tables. Globally, too much food is wasted.

Some easy steps to reduce food waste at home:

- Buying only what we can eat
- Storing the food properly
- Eating our leftovers



Some easy steps to reduce food waste at school:

- Asking for a smaller portion
- Choosing the option of food we like to eat
- We can always snack later on the food that is left in our packed lunch



Most importantly it was great to see so many ninjas on board at Bowmansgreen to reduce food waste.

"I was shocked to see how much water is used to make one burger, 2,200litres" - Year 5 student.

We are looking forward to welcoming Ruby back next term to hear more about the Food Ninjas.

Sports News from Mr Sanders

The Boys A team travelled to play a strong Oakwood team yesterday which included Mr Gowler's cousin, Josh and Mrs Robertson's son George.

The game was very even early on as both defences were on top, with plenty of endeavour and commitment shown by both sides. Alfie, Isa and Freddie contained the lively Oakwood forwards while James' movement in attacking positions kept the Oakwood defenders occupied while Tommy and Ollie looked to be creative. Bowmansgreen took the lead when Ollie delivered a cross from the left hand side, and even though it had a slight deflection, Ollie claimed the goal as the cross was sneaking in at the far post. Several chances followed for both teams but as earlier, the defences held firm to keep the score 1-0 as half time approached, and Jack had come on for Ollie.

The 2nd half continued in much the same vein as the game flowed from one end to the other. Teye was alert as Oakwood looked to equalise. They eventually did with seven minutes to go. It was a breakaway attack from a Bowmansgreen corner and finished well. This seemed to spur the Bowmansgreen team on and towards the end of the game, Alfie nearly won the game as his shot clipped the post and went away for a goal kick. Teye then produced a decent save with a minute to go and keep the scores level and a score line which reflected the match.

Oakwood 1-1 Bowmansgreen

Squad - Teye, Alfie, Isa, Freddie, Tommy (c), Ollie, James, Jack.

Outer Space Workshop

The Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes were visited on Thursday by a Little Green Alien from the Planet Saturn. Through a drama workshop they used story-telling, role-play, rhyme, song and movement to take the children on a fascinating improvisation to Outer Space.

After completing energetic astronaut training, the children boarded a spaceship (that they made themselves) and visited planets Venus, Mars and Jupiter where they'll experience and learn about the different physical environments before landing on the Moon and rescuing Planet Earth.

We are sure that all the children enjoyed the workshops.

