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8th June 2018

Dates for your Diary

Sat 9 th June	OPEN DAY - 9.00am - 11.30am
W/B Mon 11 th June	Year 6 PGL Week
Tue 12 th June	New reception - Look In Session 1 4.00pm - 5.00pm
Fri 15 th June	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00am
Fri 15 th June	FOBS Father's Day Sale @ 3.00pm
Sat 16 th June	Choir @ Radlett Festival of Music
Tue 19 th June	5CW Trip to AIRBUS
Tue 19 th June	Parent Workshop - Forest School
Tue 19 th June	District Sports 1.00pm - 4.00pm
Wed 20 th June	New Reception - Look In Session 2 10.30am- 12.00
Wed 20 th June	Year 4 Change for Life Event @ Roundwood School
Wed 20 th June	Year 4 Girls Football - Home
Thu 21 st June	Year 1 Trip to Maritime Museum
Thu 21 st June	Non-Uniform Day in exchange for Tombola items for Summer Fair
Thu 21 st June	District Sports - Track Events 1.00pm - 3.00pm
Fri 22 nd June	Uniform Sale @ 9.00am in Dining Room and 3.00pm outside Mobile
Fri 22 nd June	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00am
Sat 23 rd June	Summer Fair 11.30am - 3.00pm
Tue 26 th June	Year 1 Science Day
Tue 26 th June	Year 6 talk from Santander
Wed 27 th June	Kwik Cricket Tournament
Thu 28 th June	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00am
Fri 29 th June	INSET Day - School Closed
Mon 2 nd July	Kwik Cricket v Fleetville
Tue 3 rd July	4B Trip to AIRBUS
Tue 3 rd July	Parent Workshop - Supporting Children's Behaviour
Wed 4 th July	Sports Day (KS1 - AM, KS2 - PM)
Thu 5 th July	Reserve Sports Day
Thu 5 th July	Bowmansgreen's Got Talent 6.00pm-7.00pm
Fri 6 th July	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00am

Headteacher's Message

Welcome back after the half-term break.

This half-term is going to be extremely busy, with lots of events and activities planned for our school community, including Bowmansgreen's Got Talent, the Year 6 production and the summer fair. Please check the diary dates to see what is coming up.

Last Thursday, I had the pleasure of attending the Excel dance show at the Sandpit Theatre. And what a show it was! I was reminded just how many Bowmansgreen pupils perform in the show and it was an opportunity to see how much fun they had taking part.

Tomorrow we are holding our first Saturday Open Morning, which is an opportunity for families and visitors from our local community to experience a taster of school life at Bowmansgreen. The learning environment, curriculum activities and samples of work will be on display as well as staff, governors and Y6 pupils being on-hand to answer any questions. This event is open to all and it would be great to see lots of you there between 9 - 11.30am.

I am sad to announce that Mrs Ingham will not be returning to Bowmansgreen after her maternity leave. I would like to thank Mrs Ingham for all of her hard work and wish her well for the future. I have a feeling we will still see quite a bit of her at Bowmansgreen!

On Monday, Y6 will be travelling down to Osmington Bay to spend the week away on their residential trip at PGL. They are going to have a fantastic time and I can't wait to hear all about it and see their holiday photos. I am sure there will be lots of last minute packing over the weekend!

Bowmansgreen's Got Talent is back again this year, with the final taking place on Thursday July 5th. Pupils will be given the opportunity to audition in their classes and parents will be informed if their child makes it through to the final.

Thank you to one of our parents who has highlighted this really useful guide for parents about online safety. We are continuing to speak to pupils on a regular basis about how to keep themselves safe on the internet and we know that you are continuing these conversations at home which we appreciate.

<https://www.vpnmentor.com/blog/the-ultimate-parent-guide-for-child-internet/>

Thank you to those parents who have expressed an interest in becoming a class representative. If you have not yet responded and you feel that this is a role you might be interested in, please let the school office know.

On Friday, it is Clean Air day. We will be discussing the issues around air quality and pollution throughout the week. Click on the link to find out more. <https://www.cleanairday.org.uk/>

Good luck to all of the runners taking part in Sunday's St Albans half-marathon!

This Week's Author, Reader and Mathematician of the Week

Congratulations to:

Author of the week KS1 2BC Morgan & KS2 6G Lottie

Reader of the week KS1 1B Evie & KS2 5CW Jack

Mathematician of the week KS1 Rec WR Libby & KS2 6HW Yunus



Early Years News from Miss Robbins

This week

We have started our theme of 'Traditional Tales' by focusing on 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We acted out the story and took on the role of different characters. We then chose our favourite character and drew and wrote about them for a group book. We talked about the word 'giant' in relation to size and measured different giant sized objects. We ordered some pictures of planting a bean and wrote instructions for this. We used water colours to paint some pictures of different parts of the story.

Next week

We will be using the tale 'Goldilocks and the 3 Bears' and having a go at writing some of the story independently. In maths we will be revisiting 3D shapes and using mathematical language to describe them e.g., faces, vertices, edges.

Sports News from Mr Sanders

The year 6 Girls cricket team had a day playing cricket at Clarence Park, the home of St Albans CC on Tuesday 5th June.

The first game was a learning experience as they went down 218-260 against last season's winners Beechwood Park - an independent school with their own cric nets to practice in. So, overall it was a decent effort. The 2nd game was agains Cunningham Hill and the girls showed they had learned from the first game as they came out winning fairly comfortably 254- 206. The final group game was against Flamstead, a win would confirm 2nd place in the group. At first the scorers told the girls that Flamstead had won, only for the judges to check the score and give Bowmansgreen the win 217-202.



The overall record was won 2 and lost 1, which was a fantastic effort by all the girls and they should be proud of their performances. Well done girls.

Squad - Lily, Lacie, Natasha, Yasmina, Daisy, Sofia, Marilena, Anisa & Leila.

Cleaner Required

We are looking for a school cleaner for up to 14 hours per week term time and approximately 42 hours during the school holidays. Term time working hours are after 3.30pm on week days, holiday hours offer some flexibility. Salary £8.50 per hour. Please contact Rebecca Robertson, School Business Manager for more information. We also have a lunch time supervisor vacancy in our dining room from 11.45am - 1.15pm.

School Choir

Bowmansgreen School Choir are singing at the Radlett Centre on Saturday 16th June, 2pm and 7pm. They are performing a pop song medley on their own and are then joining with two other local schools to sing pieces from West Side Story, such as 'The Jet Song', 'Tonight' and 'America'. They are being supported by an adult chamber choir and semi-professional soloists. Other music being performed include songs from Les Miserables, Matilda and Sing. Tickets are only £8, available from the Radlett Centre on 01923 859291 or www.radlettcentre.co.uk. This will be an excellent concert so please do come along and support your school choir!

Parent Workshops

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

Tuesday 19th June Forest School

Tuesday 3rd July Supporting Children's Challenging Behaviour

Tuesday 17th July Home Learning - follow up

Reminders from the Office

During the day, we are requested to deliver many messages/items to children which can cause disruption in the class. These can be packed lunches, coats, water bottles, PE kits or messages informing the teacher that they are going home with a friend, neighbour etc. Please can we ask you to make sure that children have what they need on arrival at school and that any changes to pick up arrangements are given in the morning to the class teacher (with the exception of emergencies, of course). The school office is extremely busy throughout the day and we are concerned that we may not be able to deliver the message/item in time, despite our very best efforts. Thank you.

Absence from School

Please could we remind parents/carers that you are required to telephone or text the school office on each day of your child/children's absence. This does include absence for religious holidays.

Medication Reminder

Unfortunately the school office is not allowed to give the children any antibiotics or Calpol/Nurofen during the school day. Parents/carers are more than welcome to come to the school and administer the medicine themselves, if they can.

School Mornings

The classroom and entrance doors are shut promptly at 8.45 am. If your child arrives after 8.45 am at the front entrance they need to come through the School Office. If they arrive at the back entrance please make sure they see the adult on the junior door so that we can be sure they are marked in. The back gate (Library side) is shut promptly at 9.00 am.

End of Day Arrangements

We would like to remind parents/carers that unless you have filled in the forms for your child to travel home independently, the class teacher will only let the children leave if they are being collected by someone over the age of 16. Reception and KS1 finish at 3.00 pm and KS2 finish at 3.05 pm. Please ensure your children are collected on time.

School Back Gate

The school back gate (by the Caledon Club/Library) will be opened at the end of the school day from 3.00pm to 3.15pm and from 4.00pm - 4.15pm when clubs are being run. Parents/carers/children should leave the school site promptly at the end of the day.

Playground Equipment

Children should not be climbing or playing on the playground equipment before or after school as the equipment is unsupervised.

Packed Lunches

Please could we remind you that children should not bring in nuts or nutella sandwiches to school as we have several children in school who have severe allergies.

Birthdays

Unfortunately the school policy is that we do not allow children to bring in sweets/cakes to their class to celebrate their birthdays. This is because we are a healthy eating school and we also have a lot of children with allergies.