

### Newsletter 3

21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

#### Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	6HW $\frac{1}{2}$ class Eco Day - Agrivert
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	6HW $\frac{1}{2}$ class Eco Day - Agrivert
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	2BC Eco Trip Airbus
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultation Evening 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	FOBS Meeting @ 7.00 pm @ Annabel Zatko's
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultation Evening 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm and 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	FOBS Disco EY/KS1 4.45pm -5.45pm KS2 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	FOBS Quiz Night @ 7.00 pm

#### Headteacher's Message

Today is the United Nations International Day of Peace. We have spent assembly time this week discussing issues relating to world peace and a vision of the future where all children have peace, wherever they live in the world. Every pupil at Bowmansgreen has been involved in making a peace crane or dove to celebrate this important day. Follow the links to find out more information. <https://internationaldayofpeace.org/> <https://peacecrane-project.org/>

At Bowmansgreen, we communicate with parents on a regular basis through face to face conversations, letters, emails and texts. As a school, we are continually finding ways of becoming more efficient, including energy efficient and paperless, which is why face to face or electronic communication is favoured. Although we know that most parents prefer to communicate this way, we appreciate that not everyone does and not all parents use smart phones or access their emails on a regular basis. Please let the school office know if you change your contact details, including email address or if you would like to receive paper copies of letters instead. We would also urge you to download the School Gateway app as it is then free for the school to send texts to your phone. <https://login.schoolgateway.com>

We are aware and appreciate that parents often belong to unofficial groups on social media and whilst the school does not sanction, belong to or refer to any of these groups, we appreciate that they are out there and that parents often find them to be a useful forum. We ask that parents are very mindful, however, of the content that they post relating to any aspect or member of the Bowmansgreen school community and that they do not assume that the school is aware of this content. Posting issues or venting feelings on social media does not often resolve matters and can, in some cases, make a situation much worse. We would always encourage parents to contact the school directly if they have any queries or concerns.

I am very proud of the rich learning experiences that we provide at Bowmansgreen. We are planning an exciting range of trips for your children this year and we are committed to ensuring that the trips are affordable. As contributions are voluntary, we must rely on all families contributing or these trips cannot go ahead. We are endeavouring to make the trips more affordable and will ensure that no trip will be more than £8.00. We will also provide parents with more notice when a trip is planned and a longer period of time for payment.

Thank you those of you who attended this week's curriculum meetings. We hope that you found them useful, with more emphasis on how you can support your child with their curriculum. If you were not able to attend, the slides from the meetings are available on our website.

On October 4<sup>th</sup> we will have a photographer in school to take photos of school life at Bowmansgreen for our new website, prospectus and other school publicity material. We will identify any pupil without photo permission/consent to the photographer and ensure that they are not used in any of the publicity material.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: September 28<sup>th</sup> - please join us for breakfast and help us raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

## This Week's Author, Reader & Mathematician of the Week

Congratulations to:

**Author of the week**

KS1 Zoha 1W & KS2 Fariha 4H

**Reader of the week**

KS1 Eva Rec RM & KS2 Harry 3S

**Mathematician of the week**

KS1 Amin 2LC & KS2 Lucy 5CW



### FOBS Treasurer

Are you confident with numbers and dealing with cash? FOBS is recruiting for a new treasurer; could it be you? We work so hard to raise funds for the school by running lots of exciting events throughout the year but without someone to take care of the money side of things we won't be able to do any of it.

Julie Hudson has done a wonderful job over the last two years and we'd like to extend our gratitude to her for making such a thorough and efficient job of it.

If you'd like to chat about it, please comment on the FOBS Facebook page or approach Julie Hudson, Annabel Zatko (FOBS Chair), or any other member of the FOBS team.

### Early Years News

#### **This week**

This week the children have been busy talking about people who help them at home, doing paintings of family members, using the classroom well and knowing where things belong. They have enjoyed their first few P.E. session and are getting better at changing themselves however please make sure **ALL their clothes are clearly named**. Most children have talked about their 'Bag about me' from the summer holidays but we are aware there are some children we don't have bags in school for. If your child hasn't done this and they would like to please send it in next week as the deadline for this will be next Friday.

#### **Next week**

We will be talking about people who keep us safe. We will be looking at non-fiction texts and how to find 'fascinating facts' out about fire-fighters and police using books and the internet. In maths we will be focusing on positional language using words like 'on, behind, next to, in front.'

#### **Mornings**

Now that most of the children are settled in the mornings please say goodbye to your child at the door. If your child is still upset when leaving you, you can bring them in but sometimes it's better if you leave promptly as they soon settle after you've left. Remember the doors close promptly at 8.45am. If you arrive after 8.50am the register will be closed and you will need to go round to the front entrance to register them in at school.

#### **Reading**

Thank you to everyone for signing the orange reading journal however please sign the book every time you read so that when we change their books on Thursday, there are at least 5 signatures. Your child will then receive a star for our reading chart.

## Sports News from Mr Sanders

### Boys A Football

The boys A team warmed up for the season with 2 tough friendlies v Skyswood and Fleetville.

On Friday a 3-2 win against Skyswood didn't tell the whole tale as Bowmansgreen created numerous chances but found the Skyswood keeper in form. Goals from Laila, Tommy and Simon decided the game.

On Wednesday it was a tough day at the office as Fleetville's quality finishing meant it was a 5-1 defeat but the positives were that Bowmansgreen created several chances that either hit the keeper or went narrowly wide. Had a couple more been on target, it would have been a closer score line.

Squad - Taylor, Freddie, Ollie, James, Tommy, Simon, Laila, Luca and Brendan.

### Next week's fixtures:

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Boys A v Park Street (Home)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Boys A v Killigrew (Away)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Boys A v Wheatfields (Away)

## Sporting Super Stars

These are children who have shown the values of the School Games, not only in class but also representing the school.

Week ending 21<sup>st</sup> September

Reception	Zachery & Ella
Year 1	Isla & Garin
Year 2	Betsy & Amin
Year 3	Izzy B & Issa
Year 4	Brendan & Ruby EG
Year 5	Karl & Poppy
Year 6	James & Laila



## Home Learning

This week there have been some incredibly impressive pieces of home learning produced. Hudson, Archie and Mark in 5CW created some fantastic models of the solar system and Lacey in 2BC created a great piece of artwork inspired by Mondrian.

