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Newsletter 6

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### Dates for your Diary

Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 PGL Trip - please drop at school at 9.15am
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Individual and sibling photos
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	2LC Eco Trip Airbus
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 4 Trip to Roman Museum
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	School Nurses in for Nasal Flu Immunisation (Rec - Year 5)
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Curriculum Evening 3.00 pm - 4.00 pm & 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Inset Day - School Closed
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct - Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Half Term
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	3S Eco Trip Airbus
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	School Open Morning 9.00 am - 11.30 am
W/B Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	3C Eco Trip Airbus
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	FOBS Meeting @ 9.00 am (Dining Room)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	4C ½ class Eco Day - Agrivent
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	School Nurses - Year 6 Height/Weight
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Inset Day - School Closed

### Headteacher's Message

Today we were joined for the first time by our reception classes for the Daily Mile. They really enjoyed spending quality time with the older pupils and had great fun walking (or running!) the distance after lunch. Our Daily Mile takes place at 12.55pm and it is a lovely way to end our lunchtimes and have fun together in the fresh air.

Please find, attached to this newsletter, an official notice from Hertfordshire County Council regarding the closure of our Primary Support Base. It outlines the proposal to commission a new service from the Links Academy.

Pupils are expected to be in school, on time every day so that they do not have an interrupted education or have to spend time during their school day catching up with the work that they have missed. A pupil whose attendance falls below 90% is classified by the Department for Education as a 'persistent absentee' and schools have a responsibility to reduce the percentage of persistent absence of individual pupils as well as the whole school. We are currently reviewing our attendance policy to reinforce our expectations, legislation and guidance around pupil attendance.

It was great to see you all at our parent consultation meetings this week and we hope that you found them useful. If you were unable to attend your appointment, please see your child's teacher to rearrange.

Thank you for the feedback we have received over recent weeks regarding the after-school football coaching. We have spoken to the School Sport Manager from Watford Community Trust and have been assured that our concerns have been addressed and we can expect an improvement in the quality and consistency of the coaching.

Thank you for your generous donations for our harvest collection. Your contributions have now been delivered to local churches who will distribute the provisions over the coming days.

On Monday, pupils in Y6 travel to Osmington Bay to spend a week by the sea, having fun with PGL. I am sure they are all busy packing and getting ready for their trip. They have a very exciting week ahead!

Today we said 'see you soon' to Miss Hicks who left Bowmansgreen to begin her maternity leave. I know that you will join me in wishing her well for the remainder of her pregnancy and look forward to hearing some happy news very soon.

Enjoy your weekend.

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

### Congratulations to:

#### Author of the week

KS1 Mia 10 & KS2 Youssef 4S

#### Reader of the week

KS1 Levi Rec EK & KS2 Hudson 5CW

#### Mathematician of the week

KS1 Raudah 2BC & KS2 Archie 6HW



## Early Years News

### *This week*

This week, the children have been learning about the inventor of the traffic light. Ask your child who this inventor is and how he helps us.

We have been continuing to learn our letter sounds. Ask your child to teach you the actions for "S" "A" "P" "I" "N" "M" "D" "G" "O". We have been doing lots of sounding out and practising forming these letters. Please can you continue to practise to form these letters. Ask your child to teach you the actions for the new sounds. We have also looked at the tricky word "I".

In Maths, we have been making repeated patterns with colours, shapes and objects. We made patterns using cubes and threading. Can you spot any patterns together at home?

### *Next week*

The children will be choosing a person they have learnt about this term and will be writing in speech bubbles to say what they do and how they help. We will continue to write the weekend news so please talk to your child about what they have done during this weekend! They have really enjoyed telling us what they get up to with you!

In Maths we will be looking at addition by adding objects together and finding the total.

### *Reading*

Parents - please remember to sign and comment on your child's home reading journal.

## Year 6 - Secondary School Applications

Reminder to all year 6 parents/carers that the deadline for your child's secondary school applications is **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October**.

It is recommended that parents/carers complete the form by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October as there will be limited support over the weekend for anyone having trouble applying online.

## Congratulations Amelie!

Amelie (Y4) took part in the South East Open Championships for TaeKwonDo and came away with a bronze medal in the team pattern.

Amelie said, " It was really tough as we were competing against the best in the south of England. We came third, which was great and I had a fantastic time."

## Ella and Faye - super fundraisers!

Well done to Ella and Faye who recently took part in a sponsored walk for charity. They helped to raise an amazing £1500 for the Alzheimer's Society.

## Eco Day and our trip to Agrivert

Last week, 6HW had different jobs to take care of the chickens: we changed their water (after cleaning the containers), gave them new food and even gave the coop a thorough clean-out by disinfecting it! We all enjoyed picking up the hens; some of us for the first time!



We then headed to the allotment for some hard work. The old potato patch was packed solid which is not good as it means that no air can get in for the worms and bugs and the water cannot be absorbed which can lead to flooding. We took a fork or spade and started turning over the hard-packed soil then put some of our freshly-made compost onto it to get ready for the spring and the new growing season.



After lunch we visited Agrivert, the industrial composting site, where we were greeted by Stuart, the manager. He showed us each step of making compost for farmers' fields.



First, the waste collection vehicles arrive and are weighed on the weigh bridge. The trucks then drop their waste in the reception area where heavy machinery puts it onto a conveyer belt and through a shredder. Another machine then puts the compost into one of nine different 'sanitisation tunnels'. Worms and micro-organisms get to work and start breaking down the green waste (the energy made heats up the green waste and kills bad bacteria like e-coli and salmonella).



After 48 hours at 60°C, it is moved to another tunnel for another 48 hours at 60°C before moving to the 'maturation pad'.



When Stuart is ready, the compost then gets all the big twigs, plastic and other rubbish sieved out by the 'trommel' and is ready to be scooped up, collected and sent to farmers fields to add some nutrients and help improve the 'structure' of the soil.



Stuart's message was: **"If it doesn't grow in the ground, it doesn't go in the green bin!"**

By 6HW



## Sports News from Mr Sanders

### Sporting Super Stars

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



#### Week ending -

Reception	Arisha A & Levi P		
Year 1	Jamie KP & Hafsa H	Year 2	Harrison C & Isabella H
Year 3	Rahim M & Anisa N	Year 4	Max S & Lottie W
Year 5	Charlie K & Haroon K	Year 6	George B & Taylah B

### Sponsors

We would like to say a massive thank you to Barnes Joinery who have sponsored our new training tops which I'm sure you'll agree look fantastic.



### Girls v Wheatfields



The new training tops were worn for the first time by the girls who secured a good win away against Mandeville.

The girls won comfortably last Friday with goals from Laila (four) and Jacey as they progressed in the St Albans Cup to play Wheatfields, and also secured three points in the league.

### Girls A v Garden Fields

The Girls A team played their second League match of the season away v Garden Fields on Monday and came away with a solid draw, but it could have been a win had luck gone their way. Laila scored another two and along with a single from Jacey, meant that the Girls were still unbeaten after three games.

Laila was unlucky as she created so many chances for herself and others, but either the keeper saved them or she shot just wide or over.

Well done girls - onto the next one! Squad - Taylah, Poppy, Abbi, Isabelle, Ava, Darcie, Laila and Jacey

### Boys A v Mount Pleasant Lane

Goals from Ollie (two) and Tommy in the second half was enough for Bowmansgreen to beat Mount Pleasant Lane and progress into the next round of the Wix 7 a side.

After being all square at half time, the Bowmansgreen team really stepped it up during the last fifteen minutes and played some delightful football.

Final score Bowmansgreen 3-0 Mount Pleasant Lane  
Team Ollie, James, Tommy, Simon, Freddie, Laila, George & Taylor



### Boys A v St Peter's

An improved second half performance once again from the Boys A team saw them progress into the next round of the St Albans Cup.

Goals from Ollie and Simon made sure of the win in a closely fought contest. St Peter's made it very difficult during the first half and Bowmansgreen found it hard to break through but eventually got the job done in the last seven minutes.

