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Newsletter 13

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### Dates for your Diary

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Post Box Out
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	6G Trip to Airbus
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day for Save The Children (£1.00 donation's please)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Curriculum Evening 3.00 pm - 4.00 pm & 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Celebration Assembly @ 9.00 am
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle @ 1.30 pm St Peter's Church (Year 6 Parents/Carers invited)
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 Christmas Carols to Parents/Carers @ 9.00 am
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas Parties
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 4 Christmas Carols to Parents/carers @ 9.00 am
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Term Finishes @ 1.30 pm

### Headteacher's Message

It was great to see so many family members and friends from our local community at Winter Wonderland last Saturday. It was a very successful day, with lots to keep the crowds busy. Thank you to Nicola and the FOBS committee for organising the fair and to all of you who turned out to help and support the event on the day.

Yesterday, pupils enjoyed a pantomime performance by the Cat's Grin Theatre company. KS1 watched A Tale of Two Cities and KS2 watched Pinocchio. Pupils loved the interactive performances and had great fun.

Congratulations to our reception and KS1 classes who performed their Nativity plays this week. All of the children worked so hard to learn their lines, songs and dances and they really did themselves proud. It has been such a long, busy half term and our youngest pupils have coped so well and grown in confidence over the course of the last couple of weeks. Thank you also to all of the staff involved in pulling the performances together. It is always lovely to hear positive feedback from parents and there have been some very lovely, appreciative comments from parents who enjoyed the performances and acknowledged the hard work that the staff and pupils have put in to bring the performances to life. Thank you for taking the time to voice or email your appreciation.

This afternoon's book swap event was a great success. We hope that lots of your children have got some new titles to read over the coming days and weeks. This popular event takes place every 4-6 weeks and is a great way for pupils to update their book collections as well as a way to give much loved, read books a good, new home.

We have so many talented pupils at Bowmansgreen, as our celebration assemblies demonstrate, and I love to hear of the hobbies, talents and skills that pupils have outside of school. Several Bowmansgreen pupils are performing in pantomimes during this Christmas period. Madeline and Avril will be performing in Cinderella and Ruby will take to the stage in Aladdin. Good luck girls - I know you will be fab!

As well as talented actors, we also have fantastic dancers, some of whom attend Excel Performing Arts which is based at Bowmansgreen. Recently, they took their tap or/and ballet IDTA exams and the fantastic news is that all Excel students passed with flying colours! They be getting their grades and medals on December 16<sup>th</sup> as part of a presentation show and I look forward to seeing their medals and hearing about how well they all did.

Our clubs list for the spring term will go out at the beginning of next week for you to express your interest in which clubs you would like your child to take part in after the holidays.

Next week, we have Christmas lunch, our curriculum evening and Christingle to look forward to.

Enjoy your weekend.

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

Congratulations to:

**Author of the week** KS1 Alex Rec & KS2 Fathima 4S

**Reader of the week** KS1 Grace 2BC & KS2 Patrycja 5CW

**Mathematician of the week** KS1 Madison 1O & KS2 Jack 6HW



### School Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December



Children are encouraged to wear Christmas jumpers or a red top with school uniform bottoms on Wednesday to raise money for Save the Children. Please send in your child with a £1.00 donation. Many thanks. 😊

### Choir on tour!

Three concerts, three venues, three days!

It's been a busy week for the Bowmansgreen choir. We started with the school Christmas fair on Saturday, where the KS1 music club and KS2 choir sang together. They sounded and looked fantastic and made everyone feel very festive.

On Monday evening, some of the choir performed with Fair Field and St John's schools at Aldenham Church which was organised by Mrs Street. It was a lovely carol service and even though we were the smallest choir, the children were very professional and performed brilliantly. The song 'Midnight' was a highlight, especially with their actions so perfectly timed.

Then finally, we went to St Albans Abbey on Tuesday with other schools in St Albans for the annual Carol Service. A special mention to Charlie K, who did one of the readings in the service (dressed as an Angel) and Maddie L who supported her.

Well done Choir and KS1 music club. You were a credit to our school and it has been so much fun this term. Thank you to parents for your support, especially those parents who were able to help on Monday evening.

We're looking forward to a busy 2019 - details to follow!



### Early Years News from Miss Minardi

#### **This week**

This week, the children have been performing their socks off in their Christmas Show. They have all performed amazingly well!

We have also been super busy reading the story of "Tiddler - the story telling fish". We have been doing some writing based around the story and making octopuses and turtles. We can't wait to show our work off to you on Curriculum Evening!

#### **Next week**

We will be making an aquarium in a bag! We will be resuming our daily phonics and also starting our Christmas activities. We will also be using "Arthur the Adding Monster".

Thank you for all your efforts and support in helping your children learn their parts for the Christmas show.

## Sports News from Mr Sanders

### Girls A v Bernard's Heath

The girls A team didn't have their shooting boots on as they lost out v Bernard's Heath in the County Wix 7 - a - side area semi-final on Monday. Darcie scored her first goal of the season but alas it was only a consolation goal as the girls found it hard to break down the Bernards Heath defence and keeper.

Good luck to Bernard's Heath in the next round.

Please see [your school games.com/Bowmansgreen](http://your.school.games.com/Bowmansgreen) for updates and blogs.

### Year 4 Boys v St Peters

A team of year 4 boys went the short distance to play against St Peters in a friendly match on Thursday.

Looking nervous to start with, the Bowmansgreen boys grew into the match but only after going behind after five minutes. The passing got better and the team shape looked much better and the game became more equal but on the stroke of half time, St Peters broke away and the forward finished well past Archie. The score line was a fair reflection on chances created.

The second half was much better as the nerves went away and the confidence grew. Mikail got Bowmansgreen back into the game with a well taken penalty after a handball and the scoring was finished by St Peters as Bowmansgreen went looking for the equaliser.

Well done boys - a good performance despite the score line.

Squad - Archie, Max, Harry, Dylan, Ollie, Mikail, Alex and Preston. 😊

## Winter Wonderland

A massive well done to everyone involved with Winter Wonderland this year.

It was another fabulous day! Many thanks to all the parents, carers, staff and children who helped beforehand and on the day.

We are pleased to announce that the final profit was **£3001** 😊. Congratulations!

