



BOROUGH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 1 | 9 October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has come to a close at Borough Green Primary School. This week Mr Wheatley and I have shown prospective parents (for 2027) around the school and were proud to hear some of their feedback. Parents commented about the calm learning atmosphere, the friendliness of the pupils and recognised our great resources including the swimming pool and forest school area. We really are lucky to have these and look forward to developing our outdoor (and indoor) spaces even further over the course of the next few years. There will be much excitement this year, as Mr Lee and the PTA have been in conversations with companies to extend the trim trail and climbing wall area-watch this space.

Yesterday morning, we shared your concern, as the police helicopter circled overhead and rumours were circling too. We quickly took police advice and brought the children in through the front doors of the school remaining indoors until further advice came in. As always, the safety of the children was an absolute priority and we thank you for trusting us to look after them and keep the day as 'usual' as possible. I must say, the local Police have been fantastic and stayed with us during the day for reassurance and support. We had a visit from an officer today to check on our wellbeing and offer further reassurance. We fully appreciate this.

Today, we have been wearing yellow (or something bright) to acknowledge World Mental Health Day tomorrow. Thank you for your contributions which will go towards wellbeing resources for the classes. We often talk about our physical health but it is important to recognise looking after our mental health too. We have shared ideas for taking a break and making sure we take time out to do something for ourselves. As I write this, a group in the library are working with Miss Anderson and having a 'shake it off break' during their handwriting session.

The school has also shared a harvest themed assembly this morning-thank you for the donations sent in. This week, amongst other things, Apple Class shared a Phonics session in the library; Myrtle Class have shown resilience in their independent writing tasks; Years 3 and 4 have been counting to 10 in Spanish, and Years 5 and 6 have written information texts about a companion creature. Lola (Maple) showed me her text with pride and talked about the writing this week. I took a walk down to Forest School yesterday afternoon, to see Mrs Owen with her first group session. We look forward to seeing more groups and classes using this space and enjoying some outdoor learning...

The children are looking forward to tonight's Halloween themed discos-thank you to our PTA for organising and running these.

You should have received a letter inviting your child to take part in the Junior Dukes programme. The sign-up time is limited so we can get the participants' books to them soon. These can be ordered through Arbor.

We look forward to catching up with you at next week's consultation evenings where you will be able to see some of the learning your children have already achieved.

I hope everyone has a lovely weekend.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Jackson
Headteacher

What we have been up to this week...

Our Year 6 Eco council proudly showing off our Eco-Schools' Green Flag Award!



Halloween Disco Fun



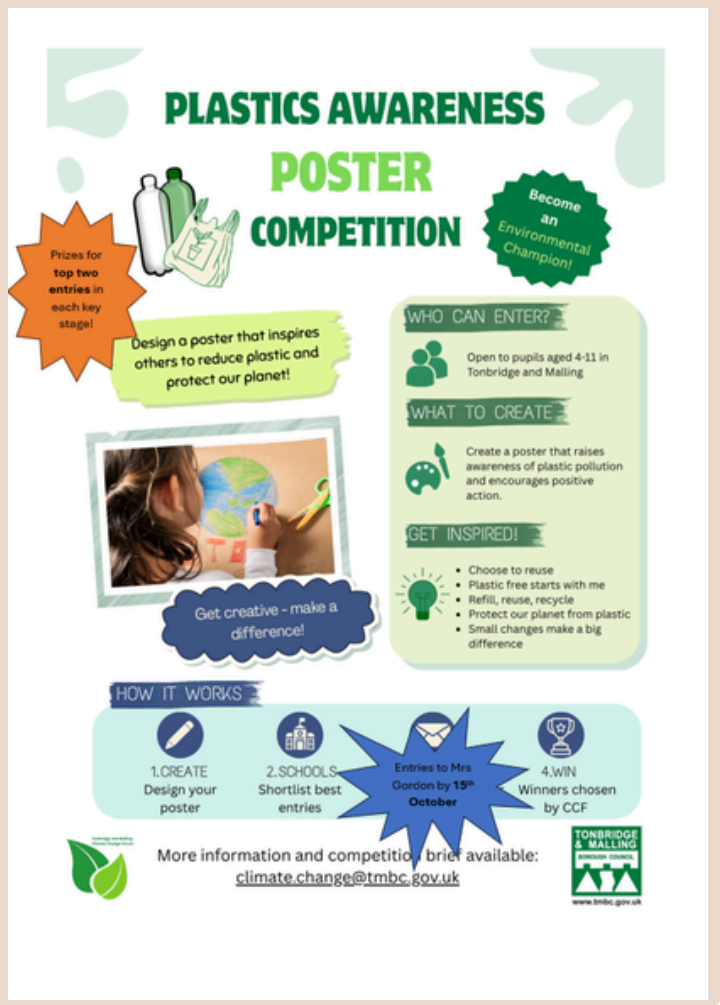
Forest School Fun



A big thank you from Mrs Quantick to the boys in Apple Class who were fantastic park our teachers, showing her how to (safely) do a spinning jump off the edge of the low stage in the outdoor classroom. Sadly, there are no pictures to prove her triumph but the boys assured her that she might even be able to do a back flip when she grows up - just like them!

Plastics Awareness Poster Competition...

TMBC competition - top two entries in each key stage will receive prizes from the school eco team and be sent to TMBC where we could win money towards an environmental project. Closing date 15 October



PLASTICS AWARENESS POSTER COMPETITION

Prizes for top two entries in each key stage!

Design a poster that inspires others to reduce plastic and protect our planet!

Become an Environmental Champion!

WHO CAN ENTER?
Open to pupils aged 4-11 in Tonbridge and Malling

WHAT TO CREATE
Create a poster that raises awareness of plastic pollution and encourages positive action.

GET INSPIRED!

- Choose to reuse
- Plastic free starts with me
- Refill, reuse, recycle
- Protect our planet from plastic
- Small changes make a big difference

HOW IT WORKS

1. CREATE Design your poster
2. SCHOOLS Shortlist best entries
3. ENTRIES TO Mrs Gordon by 15th October
4. WIN Winners chosen by CCF

Get creative - make a difference!

More information and competition brief available: climate.change@tmbc.gov.uk

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL



WE ARE ACTIVE FOR CHILDREN IN NEED!

Challenge circuit £3 per activity
£1 own clothes

FunRun obstacle course

Strictly dance challenge

Cake sale from 2:55
Middle playground

You're Invited!

Friday 13th November!

Cash only.

Protect your child and others from flu this winter...

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes leads to serious complications. The flu vaccine helps protect your child and those around them by reducing the spread of the virus. Flu strains change each year so it's important to get vaccinated every year. The preferred option for children is a quick and painless nasal spray but you can choose an injection for your child if you prefer.

The Immunisation Service will visit BGPS on
3rd November 2026

To accept or decline you child you can use this link if you haven't already done so

<https://www.kentimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu?schoolcode=KT118847>



NHS

flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child

- 1. Protect your child**
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed**
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Most children have the nasal spray vaccine which is the preferred vaccine. A vaccine injection is also available which does not contain gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine).

For more information visit www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu Immunisation
Helping to protect children, every winter

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From our PTA...



The PTA will be holding a raffle at our Christmas market on

Saturday 21st November.

This is a fantastic way to raise funds for the school.

If any parents / carers work for a business who would be able to donate a prize for the raffle then we would love to hear from you!

Please contact us at

boroughgreenprimarypta@yahoo.com

We are happy to give some publicity to the companies who donate a prize, via emails, the school newsletter and on social media.



Scholastic Book Fair...

Scholastic Book fair will be on site from Monday 12 October until Friday 16 October after school.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday it will be outside the office;

Tuesday and Thursday it will be in the hall during parents evening

It is cashless and there is a QR code for people to scan when they purchase

There are lots of new titles including graphic novels, non-fiction, picture books and longer novels

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

Every book you buy earns **FREE BOOKS** for our school!

COME TO OUR BOOK FAIR

And find your next favourite read!

DATE: Monday 12th Oct → Friday 16th Oct
TIME: 3.15-3.30pm Mon, Weds, Fri
 3.30-6pm Tues + Thurs Hall
LOCATION: Outside Office

GO ALL IN.

NEW BOOKS. NEW WORLDS. NEW FAVOURITES.

DISCOVER BOOKS FROM **£3.99**

Includes your own wands!

4 for £10.00

DISCOVER MORE BOOKS ONLINE!
www.travellingbooks.co.uk/books

All books subject to availability.

Payment at our Book Fair

Please check with your school for the best way to pay for your books

- You may pay by card at the Fair via our digital till or card reader machines if your school has one, or by using the online link at www.travellingbooks.co.uk/pay and simply selecting your school from the drop down menu.
- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25. Go to www.travellingbooks.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.
- If you can't attend the Fair in person, your child can order books via a Wish List - please ask your school for details.

HELP EARN FREE BOOKS

Scholastic is one of the largest providers of free books to schools via our Reward scheme which helps to ensure that as many children as possible have access to books that support reading for pleasure. Every time you buy from the Book Fair, you help to make a difference by supporting literacy in your child's setting. Last year, with your help, we gave over £5.5M worth of free books to schools nationwide, which stocked school libraries and classrooms.

*Free books are subject to terms and conditions. Please contact your Book Fair Organiser or Scholastic Book Fairs for details. All books subject to availability. Book range may vary.

Reminder...

With the weather changing, please ensure that your child brings a warm & waterproof coat to school every day

Thank you



Year 6 Bikeability...

6 FREE spaces left for Level 1 & 2 Bikeability course

Sign up via Arbor





BOROUGH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning Together with Kind Hearts and Determined Minds

SCHOOL TOURS

for children starting
Reception in 2027



Friday 2 October 2026

9.30am and 1.30pm

Wednesday 7 October 2026

9.30am and 1.30pm

Wednesday 18 November 2026

9.30am and 1.30pm

Thursday 26 November 2026

9.30am and 1.30pm

Friday 4 December 2026

9.30am and 1.30pm



For more info:

01732 883459



Visit us:

www.bgpschool.kent.sch.uk

Term 1 & 2 upcoming events...

Fri 9 October: PTA Halloween Disco

Mon 12 Oct: Spanish Day

Tue 13 Oct: Parents Evening 3.45-6.00pm

Thurs 15 Oct: Plastics Awareness Poster Competition closes.

Thurs 15 Oct: Parents Evening 3.45-6.00pm

Thurs 15 Oct: Kent Test Results

Fri 16 Oct: Last Day of Term 1

Fri 23 Oct: Pupils Photo deadline for school delivery

Mon 2 Nov: Start of Term 2

Mon 2 Nov: Year 5/6: Mini First Aid Training Course

Mon 2 Nov: KCC Secondary applications close

Tue 3 Nov : Flu Vaccinations

Tues 3 Nov: Yr 3/ 4 Nutshell Theatre visiting

Fri 6 Nov: KCC Primary admissions open

Wed 11 Nov: Yr 5/6 BG War Memorial Visit

Fri 13 Nov: Children in Need

Mon 16 Nov: Anti Bulling Week starts/Wear odd socks day

Wed 18 Nov: School Tours 9.30am & 1.30pm

Wed 18 Nov: Year 5 Science Trip to Tonbridge School Group 1

Fri 20 Nov: Yr R & 6, National Child Measurement Visiting

Fri 20 Nov: Year 4: Times Table Workshop for Parents 2.15pm

Fri 20 Nov: Community Evening 4-6pm

Sat 21 Nov: PTA: Christmas Market

Wed 25 Nov: Year 5 Science Trip to Tonbridge School Group 2

Thurs 26 Nov: School Tours 9.30am & 1.30pm

Email's sent out this week...

- **KS2:** Reminder for Swimming Lessons payments
- **Film Club:** Cancelled on Fri 9th, due to disco.
- **All Years:** REMINDER FLU Immunisation sign up
- **Year 6:** Secondary School Entry 2027
- **Star of the Term Trophies:** To be returned by Mon 12 Oct
- **All Years:** Junior Dukes
- **All Years:** Photo Orders closes 23 October
- **Year 5/6:** Please bring PJs to wear over their swimwear for next week
- **All Years:** Scholastic Book Fair, next week
- **Year 3/ 4:** This weeks Year 3/4 learning
- **Year 6:** Bikability consent
- **Choir:** Cancelled on Tues 13 Oct, due to parent consultations
- **Hockey Club:** Cancelled on Wed 14 Oct

SPORTS FOR ALL

MULTI SPORT HOLIDAY CAMPS
THIS OCTOBER HALF TERM!

**MONDAY 26TH, TUESDAY 27TH,
WEDNESDAY 28TH AND THURSDAY 29TH
OCTOBER 2026**

FOR OUR SPOOK-TACULAR CAMP!

**9AM-4PM
5 - 12 YEAR OLDS
£25 PER DAY**

Early Bird Offer: Sign up by Friday 18th October to receive 10% off your booking | 10% Sibling Discount

JOIN US ON:

SCAN OUR QR CODE TO REGISTER NOW!

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