



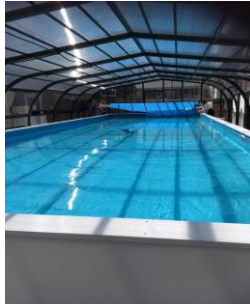
Borough Green Primary School Newsletter



Learning Together with Kind Hearts and Determined Minds

Week ending 22nd September 2023

A message from Mr Cooper and Mrs Martin...



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a great week in school. It is easy to forget how lucky the children at Borough Green are to have a swimming pool on the school site. It is amazing that they can be in the pool one minute and back in class the next!

We also got to hear the children's amazing singing this week, as Mr Cooper taught them some new songs and they sung him their favourites. The choir took to the stage too and were just brilliant, with such fantastic numbers of children taking part. No wonder they are off to perform in London later this school year.

We have given out so many more house points for children who are doing the right thing in school and remembering to be helpful to the adults and the other children and to be 'Ready, Respectful and Safe'. Well done to them all.

This week we have had a lot of work done to improve our fencing on the meadow, and to remove a couple of trees which were flagged up on our annual tree report. Network Rail have also responded superbly to our request to help us address where the trees crossed the border fence, so we wanted to publicly acknowledge that.

The meadow, of course has been out of bounds this week as a result of the work, but will become the focus of the weekend with the fantastic Meadowfest event this Saturday. The amount of work our PTA have and are still putting in is quite simply extraordinary. Let us hope the weather is kind on Saturday at least. It has certainly been the weather that makes a coat at school a necessity, so that we can make sure the children have the fresh air that they want and need. Thank you for your help in that regard this week.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mr Cooper and Mrs Martin

What have the children been up to this week?

This week the nursery children have been making their own playdough and building funny faces with this, we've been exploring our family trees and taking part in yoga poses (and some of us made our own poses too!) on YouTube. Our babies have enjoyed a variety of sensory play activities and soft play to develop their movement and strength. We have all had fun splashing in the puddles in our playground too.... including the staff! Great fun!

In Year 1 and Year 2 this week we have been exploring Materials in Science. Myrtle and Bay class went on a material hunt around the school finding a range of objects and identifying the materials the objects were made from. We have also been looking at different types of shelters and thinking about what they are used for and what they are made from.

And here are some pictures from Year 3 and 4 Stone Age day we mentioned last week...



Well done everyone, a fantastic end to a wonderful week!

Attendance...

Apple	94.15%
Lime	93.57%
Myrtle	79.51%
Bay	87.21%
Cherry	94.54%
Poplar	91.67%
Sycamore	94.02%
Acacia	91.70%
Maple	94.87%
Oak	90.48%



The total attendance so far this term is 90.58%, while the national average is 95.5%.

Please make sure your child is always in school whenever possible, as attendance needs to improve.

Awards this week...



Well done to our Stars of the Week who have impressed their teachers with their mastery, generosity, independence and sense of belonging. Also huge congratulations to Mrs Martin's Citizenship Award winner last week: Johnny-Ray. The Citizenship Award recognizes children who go above and beyond in their general attitude and behaviour around the school.

House points totals:

House	Ashdown	Semark	Malyon	Morris
This Week	262	335 winner	263	289
Grand total	798	883 winner	732	706

Year group messages

Year 1 parents the children will be visiting the school library every Friday and will choose one book to take home for the week. The Collins eBooks are now up and running and will be set on a Monday. Please can you record in your child's Reading Record book: the title of the book, the dates they have read the book (aim for three reads) and a general comment. The record books will be sent home with your child on Monday 25th September.

Year 6 parents please note that there will be a meeting on Thursday 28th September at 6pm with information about the secondary school transfer process and the Isle of Wight residential trip.

Thank you...

Thank you to all Parents and Carers that attended the Year 5/6 'Darwin Rocks' plays in July, we raised a fantastic £313.20 for the Alexandra Sales Trust.



PTA news...

Meadowfest is finally here..... tomorrow Saturday 23 September!

Last minute tickets are still available. You can scan the QR code on the posters around the school to buy your tickets. Or search for Meadowfest on eventbrite.

And if you'd like to see more information follow the Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/meadowfestbgps>

Or see the website <https://meadowfest.my.canva.site/>

PTA AGM

On Thursday 28th September at 7.30pm we will be holding our Annual General Meeting where we will share an overview of the last year and look ahead to the next. We will also be appointing a new chair and deputy chair.

Anyone is welcome to come along, whether you want to put your name down for helping at future events, share ideas or you just want to see what we do. There will be drinks and snacks on arrival too. Hope to see you there.

Letters sent this week.... (most are on the BGPS website)

- 1) Choir O2 Sign up and tickets. (Deadline for tickets Friday 22 Sept)
- 2) Year 6 Parents Meeting on 28 September.
- 3) Year 3/4 Collection and Reading Records information.
- 4) Weather changing, all children require a warm coat at school.

Term 1 & 2 Dates...

Saturday 23 September: PTA MEADOWfest event. Tickets selling fast.

Thursday 28 September: Year 6 parents information evening re secondary transition and Isle of Wight residential trip. 6pm-7pm.

Thursday 28 September: PTA AGM in the Hall at 7.30pm.

Saturday 14 October: Reception intake 2024 Open morning. 10am to 12pm.

Monday 16 October: Pupil Photos, all day

Thursday 19 October: Flu vaccinations. All years, all day

Friday 20 October: End of Term 1

Monday 30 October: First day of Term 2

Tuesday 31 October: Year 6 Closing date for secondary school applications

Thursday 16 November: Reception intake 2024 Open morning. 9am to 10.15am.