



Borough Green Primary School Newsletter



Learning Together with Kind Hearts and Determined Minds

Week ending 10 November 2023

A message from Mr Cooper and Mrs Martin...

ODD SOCKS DAY - FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER

To mark Anti-Bullying Week, as well as discussing it in assembly, this year we will be celebrating our differences by taking part in Odd Socks Day on Friday 17th November. This will be an opportunity for everyone to have some fun, be themselves and spread awareness of the core values Anti-Bullying Week promotes. Odd Socks Day sends an important message to pupils that we are all unique and different and we must be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality.

Children are allowed to wear silly or odd socks with their uniform if they wish. They can be worn over tights. There is no charge as we are not fundraising, just raising awareness. If families would like to get involved, we would love to see you all wearing your odd socks on the playground at pick up too!!!

THANK YOU PTA!

It has come to our attention that the PTA need to be thanked for their help in a long-term project over recent years in providing interactive whiteboards as part of refurbished classrooms across the school. These projects were completed last Easter and the final contribution of a fantastic £4700 has now been made. This is helping the teachers and children right across the school as we speak in almost every single lesson and wouldn't have been possible without all your support for PTA events in the past. They have also donated £500 towards some new books for our library which match with our phonics scheme, these will also make a massive difference to some of our children as they learn to read. THANK YOU!!!!

What we have been up to this week...

YEAR 5/6 Last Monday, Year 5/6 had a Marvelous Middle to our current topic with a fabulous day of bringing history to life through drama. They experienced ensemble choral speaking, produced freeze frames and created dramatic interpretations of key moments in the Shang timeline. The children reflected on their own and each others' performances giving constructive critique of elements such as quality of dialogue, clarity of presentation and effective use of space. The children are now writing reviews of the day for possible use on the company website.



Creating a Chinese Dragon



Creating a Temple

NURSERY

It has been a very busy time in the nursery of late. Over the last week or so our nursery children have enjoyed dressing up for their halloween tea party, carving pumpkins and exploring all things autumnal.

This week the children in the nursery have been taking part in a variety of free art - making large firework pictures with brightly coloured paints and glitter. Our older children have also been making poppies for Remembrance Day this coming weekend. Lots of fun for all!

RECEPTION

Apple and Lime Classes have been watching a BBC animation about a little rabbit who experiences happiness and fear.

[CBeebies | Poppies animation - YouTube](#)

During their Plan, DO, Review time, the children created their own individual poppy art using different materials and resources. We loved how different their versions were and they all worked so hard. They enjoyed being able to take the photo of their work. Some children chose to paint a picture of a poppy, too.



YEAR 1/2

This week in our DT lessons we have created prototype shelters. We have made simple? structures using a range of materials. We had to think carefully about who the structure was for and how it would be used. Myrtle class all designed and made a model of a shelter for a pet/animal. As well as creating model prototypes Bay class have also been creating a collage of a face using a variety of materials. The photographs show Holly and Tariro's amazing prototypes of an animal shelter.



Attendance...

Apple	100.00%
Lime	98.83%
Myrtle	93.33%
Bay	84.47%
Cherry	91.88%
Poplar	90.08%
Sycamore	94.02%
Acacia	90.80%
Maple	95.88%
Oak	93.00%



The total attendance so far this year is 91.8%, while the national average is 95%.

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 in the first week of term.

This week the Citizenship Award was presented to Tariro, Charlie H, Charlie M, Chloe, Autumn and Chase for Reading.

House Points Totals

House	Ashdown	Seamark	Malyon	Morris
This Week	380	408	456 winner	344
Grand total	710	810	812 winner	640

Star of the Week (new section)



Apple	Caleb	Poplar	Renat
Lime	Daniel	Sycamore	Ferne
Myrtle	Roman	Acacia	Hlibe
Bay	Abigail	Maple	Janelle
Cherry	Flynn	Oak	Scarlett



Year group messages

Year 2 - Rehearsals for the Nativity play next week. Your children will not need to wear PE kits on Tuesdays for the rest of the term as our Hall time will be used for rehearsals. Children will still need to wear winter PE kit on Mondays.

Reminders...

Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations are on **Tuesday 28 November** and **Thursday 30 November** in the Hall.

This year we are launching the online booking service in Arbor, where you will need to book your own appointment with your child's teacher. If you have more than one child you can also book slots for siblings. The slots are on a first come first served basis and went live from 10.00am on Thursday 9 November, so it's important you action this, rather than leave it until the last minute.

If you have trouble booking a slot or have not yet signed up to Arbor please just call us and we can help you.

Christmas at Borough Green Primary School

Friday 15th December 2023

Christmas Jumpers
(or red and green can be worn)

Christmas Lunch

**Main: Turkey or Quorn Roast,
Roast Potatoes, pigs in blankets,
vegetables and gravy.**

**Dessert: Christmas Pudding and
Custard or Ice-Cream**

FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER

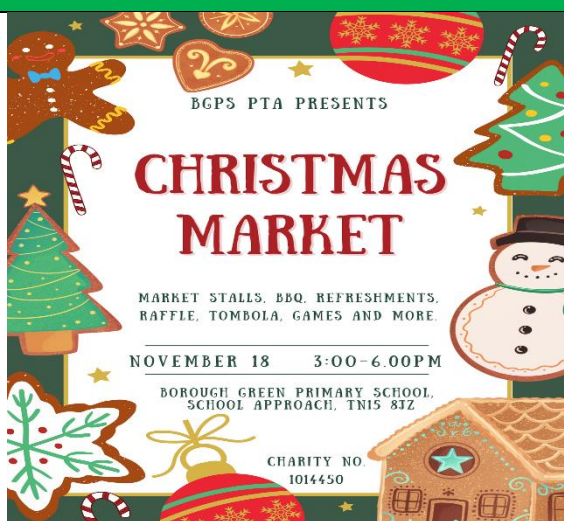
If your child normally has a school lunch then they will automatically get a Christmas Lunch on 15 December.

If your child normally has a packed Lunch and would like a Christmas Lunch, **please email the school office by Friday 24 November.**

EY & KS1 – Free Universal meal

KS2 - £2.50 per child (payments via parent pay)

PTA news...



Thank you for all the wonderful chocolate and bottle donations that have been donated for the Christmas Tombola's. The PTA are organising a Christmas raffle, to raise funds for the school. The eldest child from each family at the school will be bringing home two books of raffle tickets. The raffle draw will be made during the Christmas market at the school on Saturday 18th November. We are very grateful to all the local businesses who have donated prizes for the raffle.

Tickets are £1 each. Please return completed ticket stubs and payment to the school office by Friday 17th November. Payments can be made by cash, or by cheque (payable to Borough Green Primary School PTA).

If you would like additional books of tickets then these can be collected from the office and if you have any spare tickets then please return these to the office.

Many thanks for your support.

The PTA

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

Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch.

KS2 Football Club – matches planned.

FSM – Energy Vouchers.

Parent Consultation bookings

Term 2 Dates...

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

Friday 17 November: Odd socks day

Saturday 18 November: PTA Christmas Market

Tuesday 28 November: Year R Balanceability Workshop

Tuesday 28 November: Parents Evening appointments 4.30pm - 7.00pm in the school hall

Thursday 30 November: Parents Evening appointments 3.30pm - 6.00pm in the school hall

Friday 1 December: PTA Movie Night

Wednesday 6 December: PTA Elfridges Sale

Thursday 7 December: Yr 5/6 End of term work gallery in Maple & Oak classes 3.15pm - 4.15pm

Friday 8 December: PTA Reception cake sale

Friday 8 December: PTA Christmas Wreath Making in the Hall 7pm – 9.00pm

Monday 11 December: Choir visit to Westbank Nursing Home

Wednesday 13 December: Year 6 IOW Trip 2nd instalment due

Wednesday 13 December: EY & KSI Nativity in the Hall 2.15pm - 3.15pm

Thursday 14 December: I Rock Concert in the Hall at 10am

Thursday 14 December: EY & KSI Nativity in the Hall 6pm –7pm

Friday 15 December: Christmas Lunch, wear Christmas jumpers or red/green.

Friday 15 December: End of Term 2

Tuesday 2 January: Start of Term 3