



Borough Green Primary School Newsletter



Learning Together with Kind Hearts and Determined Minds

Week ending 23 February 2024

A message from Mr Cooper and Mrs Martin...

Welcome back to Term 4. It has been a very busy first week indeed!

We had a visit from Captain Wonderweb, we restarted our swimming lessons, had a well-attended Mastering Number workshop for our reception parents, and held interviews for our prospective new headteacher. The school council children got the chance to ask some challenging and important questions, so well done to all of them. Obviously, governors will write to parents properly in due course about the outcome of the interviews.

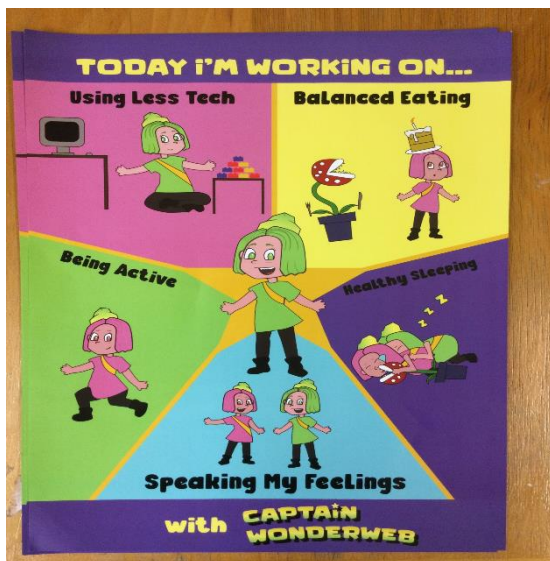
Year 3 and 4 are really getting going on their play rehearsals, already performing me a song, with so many excited faces. It was lovely to see just how many children we have who belong to Guide or Scout related groups too on Thursday.

Malyon will also be having another non-uniform day on Friday 1st March (next Friday) as the winners of the Penny Wars, which was a fantastic success raising over £400!!! Thank you to all who joined in. See the results in the PTA section.

Captain Wonderweb

To further support our children's mental wellbeing, this Wednesday we were joined by Captain Wonderweb and Lieutenant Fishingnet, who travelled across the galaxy to teach us some strategies to help our mental health.

Your children will now be able to explain to you the importance of speaking your feelings, eating healthily, sleeping well, taking regular breaks from devices and being active.



Mastering Number @ Home

On Thursday afternoon, the children of Apple and Lime class became little teachers as they shared with their adults a variety of games and activities that help them to subitise and truly master numbers. We were delighted by how many parents and grandparents joined us for this highly enjoyable and educational session. We look forward to seeing your diaries over the coming weeks and hearing how you get on with these activities at home. A huge thank you for your support.

Ukulele Club

The first meeting of our new ukulele club was a huge success. Mrs Armstrong has been amazed by how quickly and confidently our musicians are taking to their new instrument and several teachers commented on the fantastic music coming from Sycamore classroom on Tuesday lunchtime.

World Thinking Day

This is a celebration that has taken place on every 22 February since 1926. Borough Green children who are members of Girlguiding and Scouts wore their uniform to school on Thursday as a way to think of, and feel connected to, their scouting family across the globe. With so much uncertainty in the world at present, being able to see this show of unity among our young people was very uplifting.

World Book Day.....

World Book Day 2024

World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March this year and we have lots of exciting things planned in school. We would like to continue the idea from last year for dressing up with the children coming in dressed up as a 'word'. They should not have the word written on them as they will be guessing what each other represents as part of one of their activities on the day. Some great ideas from last year included colours (children come in dressed in as one colour), adjectives such as 'cosy' (children coming in dressed in warm dressing gowns), sporty (wearing sports clothes) or coming in dressed as a particular animal. Please do not feel you need to buy outfits for the children - they can just use what they have at home!

We will be running a **sponsored read from Monday 4th March to Sunday 11th March** in conjunction with Usborne to raise money for new non-fiction books for the school library. Look out for the poster in the newsletter with information after half term.

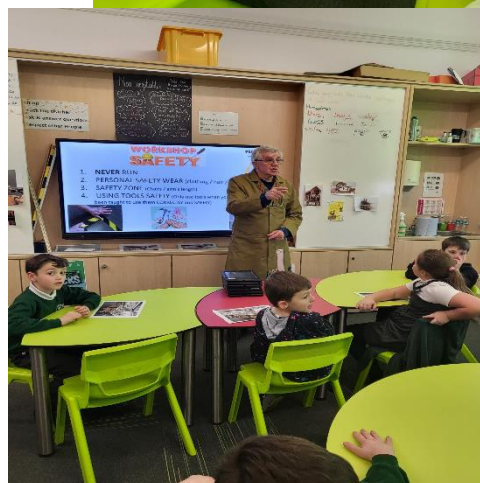
Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 will have an author visiting on Wednesday 6th March called Mo O'Hara. Mo is the author of the Agent Moose series and will be leading some workshops with the children around graphic novels. There will be an opportunity for children to purchase books from her, as well as to have them signed if the children wish. Or you can bring in your own personal copies to be signed.

There are many other things planned for this week, and as ever, we thank you for supporting your children to read at home.



A window into school life.....

Year 3/4 had a DT visit on Friday to introduce the children to their project this term – making a mechanical toy.



Attendance...

Apple	97.08%
Lime	98.89%
Mrytle	95.19%
Bay	88.89%
Cherry	97.33%
Poplar	97.94%
Sycamore	94.02%
Acacia	94.44%
Maple	84.52%
Oak	92.06%



The total attendance so far this year is 91.1%, while the national average is 94.2%.

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 Term who have shown that they know how to take pride in their work and support their classmates.

Term House Points

House	Ashdown	Seamark	Malyon	Morris
This Week	351	365	416 winner	288
Grand total	351	365	416 winner	288

Star of the Week



Apple	Alma	Poplar	Zahra
Lime	Hannah	Sycamore	Millie
Myrtle	To be confirmed next week	Acacia	Imogen
Bay	Ehren	Maple	Sophia
Cherry	Olin	Oak	George



Year group / Club messages & emails sent....

Young Carers: Is my child a young carer? Please follow the link to our Young Carers information on the BGPS website.

[Borough Green Primary School - Young Carers Information \(bgpschool.kent.sch.uk\)](http://bgpschool.kent.sch.uk)

Years 1-4: Author event regarding ordering books. Deadline is Monay 26 February.

[Borough Green Primary School Author Event | Sevenoaks Bookshop](#)

Forest School: Email with dates and what to wear sent out.

PTA.....



We hope you all had a fantastic half term! Penny Wars was a fantastic success last term, with an incredible £409.75 raised! Thank you to everyone for donating all your pennies and all those sabotaging silver coins!! The Winners of the non-school uniform day were MALYON! All of Maylon will be able to wear their own clothes on Friday 1st March.

The full results were:

1st place Malyon with £1.99
2nd place Morris with -£14.26
3rd place Ashdown with -£22.73
4th place Seamark with -£33.37

The next couple of events we have coming up are Year 4 Cake Sale 15th March, and our Easter event Wonka will be 18-22nd March! More details coming soon!

Term 3 & 4 Dates to remember....

Friday 23 February: Own clothes Day for Malyon, winners of most house points

Tuesday 27 February: Science Experience Chemistry and Physics Workshop

Friday 1 March:

National Offer date for Secondary schools

Own clothes Day for Malyon, winners of Penny Wars

Monday 4 March: PTA Mother's Day event

Monday 4-11 March: Sponsored Read

Wednesday 6 March: Author visit for Year 1,2,3 & 4

Thursday 7 March: World Book Day with children coming in dressed up as a 'word'

Friday 8 March: PTA Bags2School Collection

Friday 15 March: PTA Year 4 Cake bake sale

Monday 18 March – Thursday 28 March: PTA Wonka Bar Golden Ticket

Tuesday 19 March – Parent Teacher Consultations

Wednesday 20 March: Year R Hearing & Vision Testing

Thursday 21 March – Parent Teacher Consultations

Monday 25 March: Year 3 / 4 Dress Rehearsal

Tuesday 26 March: Year 3 / 4 'Rock Bottom' Musical 1.30pm in the Hall (Year 3 Parents/Carers)

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Thursday 28 March: Deadline for Secondary school appeals

Thursday 28 March: IRock Concert in the Hall

Thursday 28 March: End of Term 4