



BOROUGH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning together with Kind Hearts and Determined Minds

NEWSLETTER – Week ending 22nd November 2024

A message from Mrs Jackson...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to say a huge, 'thank you' to our fantastic PTA who organised and ran the Christmas Fayre last Saturday. It was well supported by our school community, and it was great to see so many of you here supporting our school.

A further thank you to Mr Wheatley, Mrs Quantick and the Sports Captains and other children who organised our challenges for the Children in Need competition last week. Well done to everyone who took part and our class winners.

We have had another busy week in school. In EYFS, the children have enjoyed learning themed around the book 'On Sudden Hill' which is one of my favourite picture books to share about friendship, imaginative play and learning to share. In Year 1, the children showed me some of their learning in maths where they are looking at 2D shape, and I have seen some super sentences about 'Pinocchio'. Year 2 have been inspired by 'Little Red Reading Hood' and I enjoyed looking at their photos of reading happening in unusual places. It is also pleasing to say that the recorder playing skills of Years 3 and 4 are improving as they progress in their music lessons. Years 5 and 6 have been learning about the passive and active tense as they practise their writing skills inspired by illustrations from a picture book called 'Flood'.

We have lots of things planned as we approach the (dare I say it) Christmas month including a whole-school crafternoon on the 17th December. Christmas performances are quickly approaching, as is the Christmas lunch on our last day of term. Parents and Carers are welcome to join the children in their classes (from 2pm) to take part in different Christmas crafts themed around a story. More details will be sent out nearer the time, including the timings for the afternoon activities.

Please can we remind children not to bring in their own fidgets and toys into school. As a school, we have a supply of fidgets and resources that can be used as required. It can be quite distressing when a valued item from home gets lost or broken. There have been several 3D dragons finding their way into the building which we would prefer to remain at home where they are safe.

Thank you for your ongoing support, as always.

Enjoy the weekend,

Mrs Jackson

£244.00 was raised by the School and Nursery children for Children in Need.
Thank you for your donations.



What we have been up to this week...

Apple Class found ice! How exciting to do our 'Understanding the World' learning outside this week!

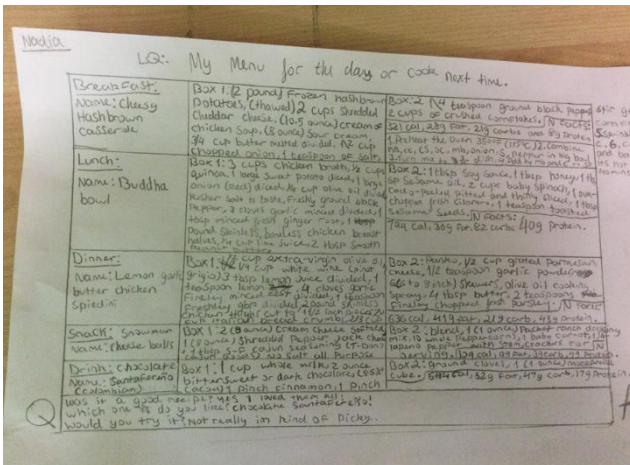


This week, **Year 3 and 4** have launched into a new book for writing called "The Sword of the Viking King". So far, King Alfred has burnt the bread! In DT we are learning about keeping food fresh and avoiding food waste. This week the children have learnt about sustainable food packaging. They have deconstructed cardboard food packaging and made their own recyclable boxes. This is in preparation for bringing home their cooking just before Christmas.





In Year 5/6 this week, we have been looking at whole foods and designing a menu which includes: breakfast, lunch, dinner, snack and a drink. We used a variety of cookbooks and recipes cards to inspire our menu. We were so inspired that Nadia in Acacia class went home and researched and designed a menu.



Attendance...

We really do want your children to achieve the best education at Borough Green Primary School, in both their academic and personal development. For us to achieve this, we need them to be here. Let us work together to improve attendance. There are 190 school days in every academic year. Together, we can make the most of them...

Apple	96.89%
Willow	98.18%
Myrtle	93.87%
Bay	96.83%
Cherry	93.94%
Poplar	91.19%
Acacia	91.03%
Maple	84.13%
Oak	93.42%



The total attendance so far this year is 93.1%, while the national average is 95.1%.

As we have said before, we believe that we are 'better than the national average at Borough Green Primary School' in many different ways. Help us to show this with our attendance too! We need the children here to work with them and provide the best opportunities to succeed...

Awards this week...

Achievement Awards

Well done to our Children that have received an Achievement Award this week.

Apple	Grayson	Cherry	Zahra
Myrtle	Florence	Acacia	Jessica
Willow	Hannah	Maple	Nerys
Bay	Molly	Oak	William
Poplar	Myla		

Term 2 House Points

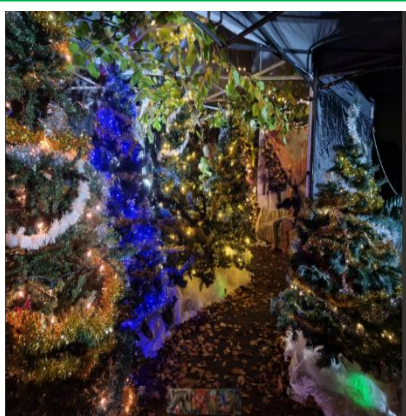
House	Ashdown	Malyon	Morris	Seamark
This Week	332	319	314	434 winner
Total	986	954	979	1121 winner



Congratulations to this week's Times Tables Rock Stars

15th November - 21 November 2024 07:00 - 20:00	Completed
Morris 172 Seamark 72 Malyon 66 Ashdown 36	
15th November - 21 November 2024 07:00 - 20:00	Completed
Acacia 2024-25 158 Oak 2024-25 113 Maple 2024-25 26	

PTA News...



The PTA would like to thank everyone who attended the Christmas market on Saturday - as well as those who helped to plan and run the event. It was a fantastic afternoon, and we hope you all enjoyed yourselves!

We are really pleased to confirm that we raised over £2,200, which is an incredible amount.

Thank you also to everyone who bought raffle tickets. The raffle raised over £600. Attached is a list of the winning names and numbers. All winners have now been contacted.

Finally, thank you to all the companies who kindly donated prizes for the raffle:

Hillier Reynolds Estate Agents, Kingsley Bond Solicitors, Samsian boiler installation, service and repair, Raj Tandoori, Greenacres Garden Centre, Blue Anchor (Platt), Kent Life, Body & Soul Beauty Clinic, Penshurst Place & Gardens, National Trust (Chartwell / Emmetts Garden), Marylebone Cricket Club, Coolings Garden Centre, TM Active, Woodland Chiropractic Clinic, Unit Gym, Jenny Hutchinson, Gina Foster, Asda Kings Hill, Four ways Dental & Aesthetics Clinic, KH Swim.

Thank you again to everyone who supported the event.

From our FLO...

Month's newsletter by SEVENOAKS PCN to be distributed to your parents where they can find information on workshops, training and helpful contact numbers/apps in relation to Anti-Bullying week 11th – 15th November

SEVENOAKS PCN NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS

THEME: ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



ODD SOCKS DAY

This week is Anti-bullying week 11-15th November and the theme is Choose Respect. Sevenoaks PCN have created this newsletter to help support you & your young person if they are being bullied. We hope you find it useful!

UPCOMING EVENTS

ZAP Online Workshop for children, young people, parents & carers
Impacted by Bullying:
90min online workshop: Tuesday 26th November 4:30pm - 6pm
Parent & Carer session - 6:30pm - 8:30pm
<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/training-and-workshops/for-young-people-impacted-by-bullying>

PARENT TRAINING AVAILABLE

ZAP Advice Line

<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/parent-advice-line>

ZAP Bullying Awareness

<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/training-and-workshops/training-for-parents-and-carers/bullying-awareness-training-for-parents-and-carers>

ZAP Online Safety and Cyberbullying Awareness

<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/training-and-workshops/training-for-parents-and-carers/online-safety-and-cyberbullying-awareness-for-parents>

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ANTI-BULLYING WEEK: CHOOSE RESPECT

Signs of bullying

If a child or young person is being bullied, they might:

1. have belongings that get 'lost' or damaged
2. seem less confident in themselves or show signs of low self-esteem
3. show changes in their behavior, such as suddenly dressing very differently to 'fit in'
4. act in a bullying way towards others
5. Struggle with their homework

How can I talk to my child or young person about bullying?

1. Talk while you are doing an activity with them
2. Use an 'I' sentence to start the conversation
3. Listen to what it's like for them

How can I support my child or young person?

1. Keep listening & reassuring
2. Use the time you have with them to build their self-esteem
3. Encourage them to spend time with peers who treat them well
4. Support them to look after their wellbeing

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/bullying/#Howcantalktoyourchildoryoungpersonaboutbullying>

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USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS/APPS



0800 1111

www.education.gov.uk

Are you aged up to 18 and affected by Homophobia Biphobia Transphobia at your school, college or youth group?

Questioning your gender identity or sexuality? Are you being bullied? Need help, support or signposting?

Freephone 0808 1000 143
Monday to Friday 9am - 4.30pm or visit www.education.gov.uk

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Self care of every mood



Essential support for under 25s

[HTTPS://SEVENOAKSPCN.GPWEB.ORG.UK/](https://sevenoakspcn.gpweb.org.uk/)

Sevenoaks Primary Care Network

Reminders...



Christmas Menu

Friday 20th December 2024

Christmas Jumpers or red and green to be worn



The Main Event

Roast turkey or Roast Quorn, stuffing, mini sausages, roast potatoes, peas, brussel sprouts, parsnips or;

The Dessert

Christmas pudding and custard or;
Ice-Cream



Key Stage 1 are entitled to this lunch free of charge.
Key Stage 2 children are charged £2.65.

If your child normally has packed lunch and would like the Christmas Lunch, please contact the office by FRIDAY 22nd NOVEMBER 2024.

All lunch payments are to be made via Arbor.

Email's sent out this week...

All years: Christmas Lunch on 20 December, action required, so above.

EY & KS1: Email send out about the Christmas Nativity in December.

KS1: Email sent out regarding a new Art Club.

KS2: Outstanding Swimming payments. We had been informed that there was a problem with parents not being able to pay for swimming lessons via Arbor. This has been corrected now and you should be able to login to your child's account and find the swimming under clubs.

Netball Club: Unfortunately, we have made the difficult decision to cancel netball for the rest of this term due to the colder weather and darker nights.

Year 6: Bikeability sign up for February 2025. 20 free spaces on a first come first served basis. Sign up via Arbor.

[Cycle Training for Everyone - Deliver Safer Training | Bikeability](#)



Term 2 dates to remember...

Fri 29 November: PTA. Wreath Making Event at 7.00pm in the Hall ****Note Date Change****

Sat 30 November: Choir singing at BG Christmas Lights at 4.30pm

Mon 9 December: Choir singing for U3A in Village Hall at 2.00pm

Tues 10 December: PTA Elfidges Sale

Tues 10 December: I Rock Concert for Parents 2.30pm

Thurs 12 December: Choir singing for Westbank Care Home at 1.00pm

Fri 13 December: PTA: School Disco

Mon 16 December: EY & KS1 Christmas play dress rehearsal

Tues 17 December: Yr1 Cake Bake sale 3.15pm & Christmas Crafternoon (more information to follow)

Wed 18 December: EY & KS1 Christmas play 2pm

Thurs 19 December: EY & KS1 Christmas play 2pm

Fri 20 December: All children can wear Christmas Jumpers or Red/Green.

Fri 20 December: Christmas Lunch

Fri 20 December: Last today of Term 2

Mon 6 January: Term 3 starts

Mon 6 January : KS2 Prime VR workshops

FULL LIST OF CALENDAR DATES ARE ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE