



BOROUGH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning together with Kind Hearts and Determined Minds

NEWSLETTER – week ending 21 March 2025

A message from Mrs Jackson...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a lovely book week at Borough Green Primary School and it was a delight to host author/illustrator James Mayhew on Monday. I loved hearing how inspired some of the children were, particularly Ruben (Willow), George (Maple), and Hayley (Maple) who set upon writing their own stories at home. This is what book week is all about-thank you for sharing.



Thank you to Lola (and mum) for sharing Lola's excellent project for her Brownie Bronze badge. Lola was beaming with pride when she shared her beautiful poster about saving water, and rightly so. Well done Lola.



The sun has been shining, and we have even managed some time on the meadow. Years 5 and 6 took some of their learning outside this week and welcomed this experience. As we head towards the end of term 4, we hope that the early signs of spring will continue.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTA, staff and families who supported the school disco last week. Our PTA work hard to raise funds for the children and their efforts do not go unnoticed-thank you.

I hope everyone has a lovely weekend.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Jackson

What we have been up to this week...

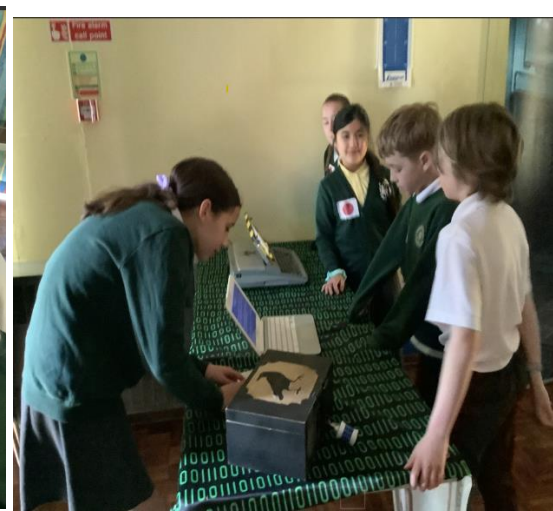
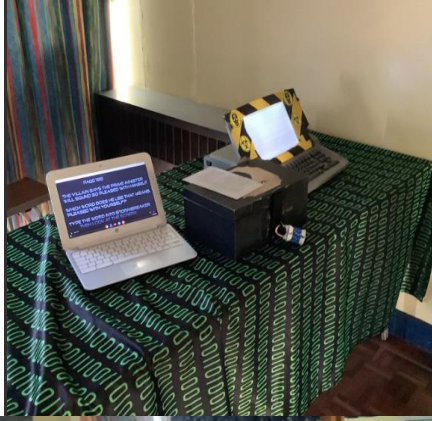
This week, we were awe-struck when we met James Mayhew author and illustrator. He came into the school for an author visit and shared his journey, his stories and his artwork. Here are two images from **Acacia class**.



Year 3/4 School trip to the Museum of Kent Life



Reading Escape room – All years



We have had a busy week in **Year 5/6!** We created recycled art at the end of last week and have some images to share. Using some of the plastic and cardboard we collected we created a relief sculpture inspired by environmental artists. Next week, we will be using the lids to come up with a class artistic piece.



We also worked in small teams as engineers in design and technology where we used our skills to build a bridge prototype using a design brief. The bridge had to span an 80cm gap, be made of art straws, paper and masking tape (which was limited to make the brief harder!) then it had to be unsupported and hold weights. Here are some of the bridges.



Year 5 and 6 enjoyed learning the story of Sheherazade, from the piece by composer Rimsky-Korsakov, with author James Mayhew this week. As a follow-up, the children enjoyed an outdoor music lesson where they looked in detail at characters of the sultan and Sheherazade and composed their own motifs representing each character using percussion instruments, voices and body percussion. They produced some brilliant ideas!



Christmas Light Competition...

This year will celebrate 40 years of the Borough Green Christmas lights. The lights committee are inviting children to design a new light to be part of the celebrations. The lights committee will choose the winner, and their design will be turned into a light to be launched in November 2025 as part of the wider Borough Green Christmas lights.

The deadline for entries is Monday 31st March.

The competition has been introduced to the children and many will have the opportunity to complete their designs in school.

Some children will prefer to complete their design at home and will be able to take an entry form home with them.

- The brief is to design a new Christmas light on the form provided.
- Children can be as creative as possible.
- They should show the colours to be used in their design.
- They can use double rows of lights for different sections.
- The decoration will be in a circle of lights. The children can choose the design for this surrounding circle.

A couple of designs are included below for ideas:



Entries should be returned to Mrs Bowers in Poplar Class by Monday 31st March.

Fundraising for the Little Princess Trust...

One of our Year 1 pupils, Florence is growing her hair and has decided to get it cut and donate it to The Little Princess Trust. We've spoken about this charity so she's made an informed decision herself to do this and is very proud of herself.

Her haircut will be on the 14th April, up until then she is collecting sponsorship to raise money for the charity.

Please help by following this link Florence's sponsorship page is <https://gofund.me/57f34332>



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	97.31%
Willow	91.58%
Myrtle	96.11%
Bay	99.29%
Cherry	98.79%
Poplar	91.03%
Acacia	97.86%
Maple	94.48%
Oak	88.46%



The total attendance so far this year is 92.7%, while the national average is 94.6%.

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...

Year 4 Bake Sale
28th April

Year 4 children, parents and carers are asked to kindly donate cakes or biscuits for sale. Please bring them to the School Office on the Monday morning. The year who raises the most money gets an own clothes day!

Please list the ingredients, if they are homemade, and label any tins you leave. These can be collected from under the office window on Wednesday morning.

BGPS PTA REG CHARITY NUMBER 1014450

WONKA BAR

31 March-4 April
£2.50 per bar

Wonka bars will be on sale for £2.50 each in the middle playground, 3pm-3.30pm every afternoon 31st Mar-4th Apr.

200 bars, 1 gold ticket and 25 silver tickets will be added every day!

Gold Prizes include:
Augustus Gloop - Yellow Sweet bouquet
Violet Beauregarde - Purple Sweet bouquet
Veruca Salt - Arts and Crafts hamper
Mike Teevee - Sensory hamper
Charlie Bucket & Willy Wonka - Arts and Crafts hamper

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TUESDAY 25TH MARCH
MOTHER'S DAY SALE

*During school hours, the children will have the opportunity to purchase **A GIFT FOR £3-6** per child to give to their chosen special person which will be wrapped by the PTA.*

There will be a selection of new items to choose from.

Please send your child in with the correct money in an envelope on the day.

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There is only a couple of weeks left until Easter Holidays, and we have 2 more events coming up!

Our Mother's Day Sale is this coming Tuesday!

During school hours, the children will have the opportunity to purchase a gift for £3-6 to give to their chosen special person which will be wrapped by the PTA.

There will be a selection of new items to choose from.

Please send your child in with the correct money in an envelope on the day.

WONKA is back!

WONKA will be running from 31st March-4th April.

WONKA bars will be on sale every afternoon, 3pm-3.30pm, after school in the middle playground.

200x 100g bars will be added to the table every day. Within the 200 bars, there will be 1x main gold prize and 25x little silver prizes.

The main gold prizes on offer include:

Augustus Gloop - Sweet bouquet

Violet Beauregarde - Purple themed hamper

Veruca Salt - Arts and Crafts hamper

Mike Teevee - Sensory hamper

Charlie Bucket & Willy Wonka - Arts and Crafts hamper

Bars will cost £2.50. Inside the WONKA bars are Galaxy chocolate bars! A dairy free/vegan option will be available Monday-Thursday only.

Awards this Week...

Star of the Week Awards

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

Apple	Joshua	Poplar	Sienna
Myrtle	Esme	Cherry	Eden
Willow	Ruben	Acacia	Lucas
Bay	Elijah	Maple	Jake
		Oak	Ryan

Term 4 House Points

House	Ashdown	Malyon	Morris	Seamark
This Week	320 winner	283	221	297
Total	1302	1402	1366	1477 winner

Messages & Emails sent out this week...

All Years: Term dates for 2025-2026

All Years: Jam Coding flyer sent out to book up for your child next term

FSM: Holiday Activity and Food Programme vouchers sent out this week

All Years: Parent consultations reminder to book.

Year 3/ 4: The wind in the Willows' play Costumes. Please can all the children bring in their costumes by the end of this week.

Year 6: Email sent required a Year 6 SATS meeting for Parents in the Hall on 31 March at 3.45pm.

Term 4 dates to remember...

- Tues 25 March:** PTA – Mother’s Day Sale
- Tues 25 March:** Parent Consultations in the Hall
- Thurs 27 March:** Parent Consultations in the Hall
- Fri 28th March:** FLO Forum 2:00-3.00pm SEN talk about the ASD/ADHD assessment process and the process for applying for an EHCP.
- Mon 31 March:** Yr 6 SATS meeting for parents in the Hall at 3.45pm
- Mon 31 March- 4 April:** PTA: Wonka Bar Event Golden Ticket
- Mon 31 March:** Year R Kent Community Health Team visiting to carry out the Vision and Hearing Screening
- Wed 2 April:** Year 3/ 4 Play Rehearsal
- Thurs 3 April:** Year 3/ 4 Play in the Hall, 1.30pm door open, 1.45pm play starts
- Fri 4 April:** Year 3/ 4 Play in the Hall, 1.30pm door open, 1.45pm play starts
- Fri 4 April:** Last day of Term 4
- Tues 22 April:** Start of Term 5

FULL LIST OF CALENDAR DATES ARE ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE



Collette's Swim School

LEARN TO SWIM
WITH CONFIDENCE



Learn to swim with Collette's Swim School after school on Tuesdays at Borough Green Primary School! We offer both group and private lessons. We're also running our inflatable session again on Fridays after school. Contact us today to find out more.

TUESDAYS	3:45-5:45pm
FRIDAY INFLATABLES	4-6pm

MORE INFORMATION

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Present a Spring Panto...
Rapunzel

@Borough Green village hall
 Friday 28th - 7:30pm
 Sat 29th matinee - 2:30pm
 Sat eve - 7:30pm
 Sun 30th - 3pm

28th - 30th
March 2025

Adults: £14
Children 16 and under: £10

www.ticketsource.co.uk/bgpp2025
 Or from Shakti Newsagents Borough Green

For more information contact: Lucilla - 07887 518855 email: lucilla@themount65.co.uk