Bowdon Bulletin





Bowdon Preparatory School for Girls

17th May 2024



Weekly message from Mrs Gee

Despite the damp weather our girls have continued to shine brightly this week. Pupils taking LAMDA exams for the first time deserve so much praise as it can be a little daunting standing and performing for the first time. They all came out smiling and obviously very proud of themselves! Our youngest girls had such a super time when the farm came to visit – many thanks to our wonderful BPS society for supporting and funding these enrichment events. We were once again thrilled to have 3DW back with us offering STEM days to our Year 6 girls. Once again, they were wowed by our enthusiastic and highly capable learners.

It has been Mental Health Awareness Week, with a theme of movement. 5P's assembly on Movement for Mental Health and 1C's assembly, 'Happy on the Inside' got the week off to a great start. <u>Click here</u> to access lots of valuable information and links to support on Mental Health UK's website. As well as lots of movement, we know sleep is essential for positive mental health – here's a few tips from Year 5, "*Be physically active! It helps us concentrate, improves our mind, boosts self-esteem and helps us to sleep better.*"



B-Fest was, once again, a highlight in the year for the BPS family. A huge thank you to the staff who show such dedication and to the pupils for showing their immense pride and talent when performing for the parents.

We wave a fond farewell to Miss Kelly from our school office team and finally, huge congratulations to Miss Asher who is getting married over the half-term holiday and will return as Mrs Herbert! (Her class will remain as 2A for the remainder of the year.)





'Welcome to the Year Ahead' - Zoom Meetings

Zoom meetings are due to take place week commencing 10 June, where information will be shared with you about the academic year that your daughter is moving into in September. Links have been sent via the parent portal.

Monday 10 June – Welcome to Year 4 at 6pm / Welcome to Year 6 at 6.30pm

Tuesday 11 June – Welcome to Year 3 at 6pm / Welcome to Year 5 at 6.30pm

Wednesday 12 June – Welcome to Year 2 at 5.30pm

Thursday 13 June - Welcome to Reception at 5pm / Welcome to Year 1 at 5.30pm

MFL Day

We look forward to our whole school Modern Foreign Language Day on Wednesday 12th June. To mark this occasion, we would like to invite all girls to come dressed in the **colours of a world flag**. During the day, we will be celebrating the various mother tongues of our pupils and will also be learning key vocabulary in other languages. In addition, each class will be focusing on an in-depth study of the culture and traditions of a specific country.





Break the Rules Day!



Costume donations

The Year 1 and 2 summer performance will soon be upon us. We are keen to encourage recycling and are looking for donations of the following outfits and props. Please message your class rep if you can help.

Goblin costumes (green with pointy ears)	Bird costumes (feather wings and beaks)
Fairy costumes (wings, dresses/tutus)	Pigeon costumes (grey or brown with wings & beak)
Pixie costumes (flower head wear)	Squirrel costumes (all brown with ears & bushy tails)

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Sports Results



What a fantastic day for our Prep athletes at the ISA schools sports Junior Championship. An amazing effort and commitment from every single one of our 20 girls, who came together with 20 schools from across the region. We are so proud of each and every one of the girls who took part and represented BPS so amazingly.

- Year 3 ISA North Girls' Champions
- Year 3 60m Champion Imogen
- Year 3 Rounders Ball Throw Champion Claudia
- Year 3 4 x 75m Relay Champions
- Year 5 High Jump Champion Anastasia
- Year 6 High Jump Champion Isabelle
- Year 6 Rounders Ball Throw Champion and a NEW North record of 41.75m Charlotte





BPS Bus and Parent Parking

The BPS Bus made its maiden voyage this week to the ISA sports championships. It was lovely to see the bus out and about and the staff and pupils were excited to use it. May we kindly remind parents, once again, to <u>not</u> park in the bus lane or the zig zag lines. This is paramount to keeping our girls safe and ensuring we can allow the girls off the bus **safely** back into school.

Notice Board

Monday 3 rd	School closed - Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 4th	Year 4 - Pupil Review Meetings Year 4 - Go Explore Year 2 – Transition afternoon for <u>pupils only</u>
Wednesday 5 th	Whole school – Class Photos Year 4 - Pupil Review Meetings Year 4 - Go Explore
Thursday 6 th	Year 4 - Pupil Review Meetings Year 4 - Go Explore Year 5 & 6 – A & B Lacrosse Tournament
Friday 7 th	Year 4 - Pupil Review Meetings

Awards

Well done to all the pupils who have been awarded Merits and House Points for their commitment to and demonstration of our core values.





Reminders

- All after-school clubs will run as normal from 4th June, however year 1 Baking Club will start on 10 June 2024.
- Year 2 to 3 Transition Afternoon (for Year 2 pupils and parents) will take place on Wednesday 19th June 2.00-3.30pm.
- As the weather starts to turn warmer, please ensure your daughter is protected against the sun with sunscreen before she comes to school. Please **do not use any nut-based lotions** almond or sesame oil etc. This helps to protect the pupils with severe allergies and comply with our Nut Free School policy.
- Uniform is available to order via <u>www.pascoeandwillis.com/bowdon-preparatory-school</u> password: BPS24. Our uniform provider, Pascoe & Willis can be contacted by emailing <u>victoria@pwschoolwear.com</u>.
- Please ensure that your daughter arrives in time for registration. Registers are taken 10 mins after their start time, any pupil arriving after this time is marked late. Please access our attendance policy for further information by clicking <u>here</u>.
- If you have any requests for absence, please email the school office in the first instance. Nonmedical related absences also require authorisation.



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Monday	INSET DAY		
Tuesday	Cheese, Tomato or Carbonara Pasta	Broccoli	Cornflake Cake
Wednesday	Wholemeal Pizza Margherita, Ham and Pineapple or Pepperoni	Baked Beans and Sweetcorn	Mango and Orange Sorbet
Thursday	Chicken or Quorn Escalope	Crispy Potatoes and Peas	Orange Cookies
Friday	Pork or Veggie Sausages	Green Beans and Baked Beans	Chocolate Cupcakes

BPS is a <u>nut and sesame seed free</u> school. However, due to manufacturing processes, some products used in the school kitchen state that they 'may contain nuts/sesame'.

Vegetarian options, salad bar, fruit and yoghurts are available daily.

All our food is made using the finest quality produce. Suppliers include Taylor's of Sale (butchers) and 'Bettaveg'.





Thought of the week

Find joy in the journey. What to do if...I feel worried or anxious.

#BeHappy #BeHealthy #BeSafe