

IMPORTANT UPDATES & REMINDERS

Performances

9:15am in the Lower Hall

Friday 15th December – Year 2 Christmas Concert

End of Term

School finishes at 2pm on Thursday 21st December.

There will be no After School Club on this day.

Reception Christmas Singing

Well done to our Reception children who performed in their first show together this morning, you were all amazing! Thank you to the Reception Team for such a fantastic Christmas Sing-Song. The children looked great in their Christmas jumpers, they were confident and full of smiles.



Willow Nursery Update

From September 2018, our Nursery, currently based at Bowes Southgate Green, will be returning to Bowes New Southgate. Southgate Green continues to grow and further classroom space is required. We will keep you updated as the plans progress.

Winter Fair

I would like to say a huge thank you to the Friends of Bowes for organising such an amazing Winter Fair last week. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all and the children loved visiting the magical Santa's Grotto. The entertainment was fantastic and the stalls were all very popular. Well done to our choir for their beautiful singing and all the other live acts.

Effie Demetriou - Headteacher

Bring A Grown Up To School

Thank you to all the grown ups who came along to our Bring A Grown Up To School morning last week. The school was extremely busy and we hope you enjoyed spending some time in class with your children.



Spring Term Assemblies and Showcases

The Spring Term Class Assemblies and Showcases are listed below. All class assemblies will take place as usual in the Lower Hall at 9:10am.

Spring Term Class Assemblies	Class
Friday 26 th January	Cedar Class (Year 5)
Friday 2 nd February	Spruce Class (Year 1)
Friday 9 th February	Rowan Class (Year 1)
Friday 2 nd March	Elm Class (Year 4)
Friday 9 th March	Mulberry Class (Year 5)
Friday 23 rd March	Maple Class (Year 2)

Spring Term Showcases Dates to be confirmed	
Laurel Class (Reception)	Magnolia Class (Reception)
Oak Class (Year 2)	Holly Class (Year 3)
Hazel Class (Year 3)	Cherry Class (Year 5)
Ash Class (Year 6)	Beech Class (Year 8)

Year 2 Christmas Concert

The children and staff in Year 2 are busy preparing for our annual Christmas Concert and are looking forward to their performance to parents on **Friday 15th December at 9:15am** in the Lower Hall. Due to space, maximum of two adults per family please.



Christmas at Bowes

Christmas Parties

The children will be having their class parties and discos on **Monday 18th December**. This will be a non-uniform day and a letter went out this week regarding donations.

Christmas Lunch

This will be served on **Wednesday 20th December**. To get everyone in the festive spirit children can wear a Christmas jumper or a red or green top to school on this day.

Class Christmas Presents

This year the class teachers and support staff will be buying a game or book for their class, rather than individual Christmas presents. We hope that the children will enjoy their gift throughout the year with their class friends.



Steel Pan & Choir Performance

Unfortunately we have had to **change the date** of the Steel Pan performances (originally scheduled for 14th December). There will now be a **Winter Music Concert on Tuesday 19th December at 9:10am in the Top Hall**. The concert will include: Elm Class (Year 4), the 3:15pm & 4:15pm after school Steel Pan clubs and the Year 5/6 choir.



Please see next page for the latest Friends of Bowes News

Free Cello Lessons!

An opportunity has arisen for a small number of Year 3, 4 and 5 children to learn the cello in the Spring and Summer Terms 2018. These lessons will be free and the Enfield Music Service will provide the cello. The expectation is that the students will take the cello home and practice regularly. Lessons will take place during the school day and will be for 20 minutes. Please contact Miranda Thompson via the school office if you would like your child to be considered for this opportunity. There are only 6 places available, so we will have to pick names out of a hat if we have too many applicants. The deadline for this project is **Friday 15th December 2017**.

Attendance

W/C 20th November 2017

KS1 Spruce Class 98%
KS2 Elm Class 100%

W/C 27th November 2017

KS1 Oak Class 99%
KS2 Hazel Class & Beech Class 99%

Well done everybody!

Diary Dates 2017-18

15 th Dec	Year 2 Christmas Concert 9:15am
18 th Dec	FOB Santa visit and discos
19 th Dec	Winter Music Concert 9:10am
20 th Dec	Christmas Lunch
21 st Dec	School Ends
3 rd Jan	INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED
4 th Jan	School Starts
26 th Jan	Cedar Class Assembly
2 nd Feb	Spruce Class Assembly
9 th Feb	Rowan Class Assembly
12 th - 16 th Feb	HALF TERM
28 th Feb	Class Photographs
2 nd Mar	Elm Class Assembly
9 th Mar	Mulberry Class Assembly
23 rd Mar	Maple Class Assembly
29 th Mar	School Ends
16 th Apr	School Starts
28 th May-1 st Jun	HALF TERM
15 th Jun	INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED
19 th Jul	School Ends
20 th Jul	INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED

Friends of Bowes News

We are in the countdown to Christmas and there is lots going on! We had the most wonderful, magical and twinkly Winter Fair last weekend – huge thanks go to Clare, Kelly, Becs and Kirsty for taking on the gargantuan task of organising it, as well as to Angelo, Leora and Deicola and the Bowes Choir who all sang so wonderfully. We had lots of volunteers helping to set up and run stalls and through all your hard work we made around £3,000 – this is an absolutely fantastic amount which shows what the community can do when we all pull together – well done, Bowes!

Christmas Trees – You lovely Bowes families have ordered 73 trees from us either for collection or delivery, making a total of £855 profit. Please collect them from the area in front of the school office on **Friday 8th December from 3–6pm**. If you have asked and paid for delivery, Tina and Vicky will be delivering them between **9am–1pm on Saturday 9th December** – please make sure someone is in to receive them.

Christmas cards – all orders of Christmas cards, gift tags, tea towels, eco bags and mugs should have been sent home earlier this week – any problems, please email us. Thanks go to Julie Harle for organising the Christmas cards this year and to everyone who ordered with us – we have made a total of £381.

The **Bowes 2018 Calendar** is also now on sale at £5 each. Each child has their self-portrait on the page of the month in which they were born. You can buy online via our website www.pta-events.co.uk/bowes, or pop into the school office where they are also available. Next week they will be available in the school playground at pick up. Thanks to Claire Lister for organising the calendar this year.

Pop up Coffee Morning Wednesday 13th December 8–9am – our first ever coffee morning was so successful that we are running another one next week. After dropping off your children, please come and buy a tea, coffee, muffin or cake to make that long journey to the station more bearable. Thanks to Patricia for being the driving force behind this new initiative.

Christmas Hamper Raffle – hampers need to be brought into The Meadow behind the school office for 9am on Thursday 14th December where we will be wrapping them. The raffle will be drawn in the morning of Friday 15th December and winners will be notified by text message, so please make sure all raffle tickets have been bought and handed in by then with mobile phone numbers on them. Extra raffle tickets are available from the school office.

SAVE THE DATE – Our ever popular **Musical Bingo** is back on **Friday 2nd February 7:30pm – 11:00pm**. Put the date in your diary and book babysitters. Tickets will be available in the New Year. Our next **cake sale** will be for **Year 3 on 19th January 2018**. Next FOB committee meeting will be **7:30 – 9pm on Wednesday 10th January 2018 in the Meadow**.

Thank you,

Vicky Woodward and Tina Solari
Co-Chairs, FOB

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