

### IMPORTANT UPDATES & REMINDERS

#### Class Assemblies

9:10am in the Lower Hall

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Spruce Class

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – Rowan Class

#### Showcases

Holly Class – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2:30pm in the Top Hall

Hazel Class – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2:30pm in the Top Hall

### International Computing Visitors

This week as part of the London BETT exhibition (technology in education) we had a large number of international visitors attend Bowes. All were very impressed with the technology we have and how confidently our children and staff use the resources to support learning. We were also very proud of how well the children explained what they were learning and how they modelled this through their demonstrations. The three days of visits were extremely successful with lots of positive feedback. Well done everybody!



### Home Learning

Thank you for the feedback we have recently received about Home Learning. We are pleased that the children are so engaged with it and have had so many experiences and opportunities to be creative. In response to this feedback we are aiming to provide the Home Learning Grids **before** the start of each half-term. This will provide more time for the children to complete some of the tasks before the hand in date. It may also give suggestions of places you could visit during this break. Thank you for the interest and support.

### Sickness and Diarrhoea

At this time of the year there are a lot of bugs going around. If your child has been sick or has diarrhoea please keep them at home for at least 48 hours after the last bout.



### Road Safety



This week our Junior Travel Ambassadors carried out a Road Safety Survey alongside our Community Road Safety Officer. The Travel Ambassadors were looking at safety around the school in the morning. Unfortunately, they observed quite a few dangerous hazards that they would like shared in this newsletter. They are also now planning an assembly in school to raise road safety awareness amongst our pupils.

These are the key hazards identified:

- A huge number of children exiting cars in the middle of the road outside the main entrance. This is extremely dangerous!
- Cars parking in inappropriate places (yellow zig-zags, double red lines, in front of drop-down kerbs).
- Families crossing the road on the corner of Highworth Road and the Bowes Road. Please walk further up Highworth Road and find a safe place to cross.
- Adults and children not wearing seatbelts.
- Children not sitting in appropriate car seats.
- Adults on mobile phones whilst driving.

We want to ensure all of our families arrive and leave school safely and ask for your cooperation in this matter. The Junior Travel Ambassadors will be carrying out further surveys throughout the year to monitor road safety around the school.



## Friends of Bowes News

**Musical Bingo** – Have you bought your tickets yet? Musical Bingo, being run by a group of Year 5 parents, is next week **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018 7:30pm – 11:00pm**. What is musical bingo? We play bingo, but instead of numbers, we play songs! Prizes to be won plus a fully licensed bar including snacks. A limited number of discounted tickets are available to buy from our website until 31<sup>st</sup> January for £7 per person (£9 on the door). Please book now to avoid disappointment [www.pta-events.co.uk/bowes](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/bowes). This is a fun adult evening to test your musical knowledge and a chance to get your dancing shoes on! **BOOK NOW!!**

**Bike for Bowes – London to Southend** – Are you a keen cyclist or would be up for a challenge, raising money for Bowes? A group of Year 5 parents are signing up a team, Bike for Bowes, that will be taking place on **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018**. From the East End to Southend! Starting at Victoria Park in Hackney to Priory Park in Southend a total of 52 miles. There is a fee of £21.50 per person for a team entry. Our dedicated team of cyclists have already started training sessions which take place most weekends cycling to Crews Hill and Potters Bar. Places for the London to Southend bike ride are filling up quickly so please email FOB now at [friendsofbowes@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbowes@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining the team and we'll provide you with full details on how to sign up (**see flyer on next page**).

**Sponsor our Bike for Bowes Team** – Show your supports by sponsoring our Bike for Bowes team via our website [www.pta-events.co.uk/bowes](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/bowes). Any sponsorship will be greatly appreciated for our dedicated cyclists. If you are a tax payer, please tick the gift aid option when sponsoring so we can claim 25p for every £1 sponsored.

**Pop-Up Coffee Morning** – Our next pop-up coffee morning, run by a group of Year 2 parents, will be held outside the school office on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 8:00am – 9:00am**. Grab a coffee or tea and a homemade muffin when dropping the kids off to school.

**Donate to Friends of Bowes** – You can now donate to FOB via our website [www.pta-events.co.uk/bowes](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/bowes). This is easy to do, and any donation is greatly appreciated. If you are a tax payer, please tick the gift aid option when donating so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated.

**Cake Sale** – Many thanks to the class reps, Nicole and Pen, volunteers who ran the sale, bakers and buyers at the Year 3 cake sale last Friday. This was a great success raising **£168**. This will be going towards the cost of a school trip for Year 3. The next cake sale is for **Year 1 on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018** at 3:15pm in the main playground.

Have an idea for an FOB event? Fancy running an FOB event? Maybe a fashion show, a Karaoke night or even a Bowes grown up talent show evening? This is a great way to get to know other parents and a great way to get involved with Friends of Bowes. Get a group of parents together and get in contact with us. We are always keen to hear new fundraising ideas. Email us at [friendsofbowes@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbowes@gmail.com).

Our next FOB committee meeting will be on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7:30pm – 9:00pm in The Meadow** (area behind the school office) to discuss and plan fundraising events. All welcome.

**COMING SOON**...keep hold of your pre-loved school uniform plus adult and children's clothing as we will be having a **Second-Hand Uniform Sale** and a **'Phil' the Bag**, clothing recycling collection after half term. Dates to be confirmed shortly.

Thank you,

Vicky Woodward and Tina Solari  
Co-Chairs, FOB

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## Attendance

### W/C 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018

KS1	Rowan Class	98%
KS2	Beech Class	99%

### W/C 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018

KS1	Oak Class	98%
KS2	Hazel Class	100%

Well done everybody!

## Diary Dates 2018

26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cedar Class Assembly
2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Spruce Class Assembly
6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Holly Class Showcase, 2:30pm
9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Rowan Class Assembly
9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Hazel Class Showcase, 2:30pm
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>HALF TERM</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Class Photographs
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Elm Class Assembly
9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Mulberry Class Assembly
23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Maple Class Assembly
29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	School Ends
16 <sup>th</sup> Apr	School Starts
7 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY-SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> May-1 <sup>st</sup> Jun	<b>HALF TERM</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<b>INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> Jul	School Ends
20 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<b>INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	<b>INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	School Starts

## Term Dates 2018/19

3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept 2018	<b>INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2018	School Starts
22 <sup>nd</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Half Term
26 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2018	<b>INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2018	School Ends
7 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2019	<b>INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2019	School Starts
18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Half Term
18 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2019	<b>INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2019	School Ends
23 <sup>rd</sup> Apr 2019	School Starts
6 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	<b>BANK HOLIDAY-SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half Term
17 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2019	<b>INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul 2019	School Ends

# BIKE FOR BOWES

## LONDON TO SOUTHEND BIKE EVENT



Distance :

52 MILES

When :

SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2010

Team entry :

£21.50 PER PERSON

GORGEOUS COUNTRYLANES & SEASIDE VIEWS!

Why :

BECAUSE IT'S FUN TO RAISE FUNDS FOR BOWES  
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