



Bowness-on-Solway Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 10th February 2023

Home Times / Collection

Please note that, for safeguarding reasons, we need to know how children will get home on given days, i.e. bus / collection by parent etc. If it will be different from the norm on any particular day, please let us know at your earliest convenience.

Staff Vacancy

We will soon be advertising for an additional teaching assistant to supplement our existing staff, working in a 1:1 role. If you know a suitable person who could have an impact in our school, please ask them to give me a call.

WE ARE HIRING

Upcoming Dates For Your Diary

Wed 15 th Feb	The Big Schools Birdwatch
Mon 20 th - Fri 24 th Feb	Half term holiday
Thu 2 nd Mar	World Book Day (Go Green)
Thu 9 th March	Udance for Y2-6 pupils
Tue 14 th March	Wheelchair basketball

World Book Day

This year, we are going **green** for World Book Day! On **Thursday 2nd March**, children can come to school dressed in green colours, or with an eco theme. Class activities will be based on books which carry an environmental message.



Eco Corner

We are bowled over by the response to our request for wildlife resources! We have gratefully received bird boxes, bat boxes, insect boxes, bird feeders and several metric tonnes of bird feed. We are so thankful for your generosity. Our pupils and our environment will benefit greatly from this. On **15th February**, all pupils will take part in the Big Schools Birdwatch. I know that lots of our families also took part in the Big Garden Birdwatch at home!



Times Tables Rock Stars

We are so impressed with our pupils' engagement with TTRS! Many children are already earning their rock status badges and we can see the improvement in tables knowledge already. For the highest impact, children should log in for a few minutes daily (where possible) as this improves learning, rather than doing occasional long sessions. As such, TTRS now forms daily maths homework for pupils in Years 1-6.

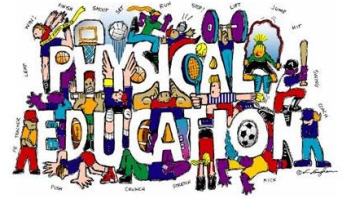


IMPORTANT: The studio section of TTRS must be completed independently – please do not assist children in this section.

PE Kit

Please ensure that correct PE kit is worn in school. Indoor kit consists of:

- Plain white T-shirt;
- Navy or black shorts;
- Plain black trainers or plimsolls.



For outdoor PE, dark jogging bottoms can be worn, along with a school jumper or cardigan.

Note that kit should be *plain* without large brand names or logos.

Air Ambulance Visit

We were fortunate to host an assembly with the Great North Air Ambulance Service on Tuesday 7th February. Children were given the opportunity to find out all about this essential service. They had



some great questions.

To support this important charity, we are accepting donations of good-condition clothing, bedding, curtains, belts, towels and pairs of shoes – please bring them in by 24th March.

Attendance

We have had some great attendance and some where we can improve. 96%+ is the golden figure that we would like to see on a consistent basis in all classes. Reminder: we can **not** authorise holidays to take place during term time.

ATTENDANCE

Week beginning 30th January

Owls: 90% Ospreys: 96% Kestrels: 97%

Week beginning 6th February

Owls: 92% Ospreys: 98% Kestrels: 100%