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SPORTING EVENTS

It's great to have a new set of swimming lessons for pupils in Years 2-6 taking place on Monday afternoons. They have had an excellent start.

It was also a pleasure to take a group of our swimmers to the gala in Wigton on Wednesday. They were all outstanding ambassadors for the school, using their manners and displaying excellent sporting behaviour at all times.

Year 1 & 2 children represented Bowness in a multi-skills session on Thursday afternoon. Again, they did everything right and made us proud!





ATTENDANCE

It's so pleasing to see our children waltzing happily into school each day! Thanks for all of your efforts in ensuring ongoing good attendance.

Week beginning Tuesday 16th April
Owls: 80% Ospreys: 98% Kestrels: 100%

Week beginning Monday 22nd April

Owls: 97% Ospreys: 99% Kestrels: 100%

More Happenings...



THE SRM

Don't forget to send in your Sustainability & Responsibility Medal log books if you have been taking part. We are now tallying up the scores for the spring term.

We have doubled the number of big prizes this year - and everyone who takes part will receive a prize of some sort.

LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

We were delighted to welcome Sarah from Coram Life Education to support all pupils to develop their understanding of safe and healthy relationships.

I encourage you to engage with your child to further support them with this important aspect of learning.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING

Please be aware of the increased volume of pedestrians, cyclists and traffic passing through the village at this time of year - we are asking drivers to consider their speed at all times when driving through.

When parking, please ensure that engines are turned off and be especially careful on the school car park where the wall and other vehicles can obscure your view. Please also ensure that children are kept on the pavement and away from the road.

CHARITY FUNDRAISER

Reminder that Mrs Misselbrook is taking part in a 14-mile kilt walk in aid of Sands - the stillbirth and neonatal death charity this Sunday, 28th April.

You can sponsor her by visiting the following web page:

www.justgiving.com/team/teambenmisselbrook

Alternatively, you can make a donation via school. I'm sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Misselbrook & co the very best.





THE FRIENDS OF BOWNESS-ON-SOLWAY SCHOOL

The impact of the Friends (formerly the Parents' Association) on outcomes for our children can be huge.



During my time here, I have seen thousands of pounds raised through wonderful events such as chocolate bingo, garden parties, a school fair, dress-up days, movie nights and much, much more. I remember the tremendous joy brought by all of these.

This fundraising has helped to enable a significant redevelopment of our outdoor resources at school as well as facilitating a range of off-site learning experiences by providing transport around the county and beyond.

The benefit is not only financial; I have also seen how the events in school have really brought people in our community together. It truly is a win-win.

We are approaching the huge celebration of 150 years of Bowness School on this site.

In order to continue the good work and to keep the Friends of Bowness alive and well, we are seeking as many members of our community as possible to get involved. When everyone comes together, great things happen!

There are now vacancies on the committee, including for the roles of Chair and Secretary. Without filling these, the Friends can not continue to operate.

Now is the perfect time for parents, carers, grandparents, local people, businesses and community members to get involved. If you - or someone you know - could be interested in giving a bit of your time for the benefit of our children and community, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Alternatively, please help us to spread the word.

The Friends will benefit from anyone who has had previous involvement as well as from those who are new to it. The more people involved, the more we can do.

We are very keen to welcome everyone into the Friends to work together to continue - and build on - the great work that has been done to celebrate our school and to give all of our children the best possible school experience.

Upcoming Events



DIARY DATES

Mon 29th April - Bag 2 School collection

<u>Mon 6th May</u> - May Day Bank Holiday

wb Mon 13th May - SATs week for pupils in Y2 and Y6

<u>Thu 16th May</u> - Ospreys Stone Age workshop

Tue 21st May - Sports Day

<u>Fri 24th May</u> - Last day before the half term break.

Mon 3rd June - Return to school Mon 3rd June - Y4 times tables check window opens

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

It's great to see children logging in daily to TTRS to develop their multiplication tables knowledge. This is such a vital element of their learning which provides the foundation for the majority of the maths curriculum

Receiving certificates this time around are Jamie, Caitlin and Peter. A huge 'well done' to all of them!



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