



## BOURNES GREEN SCHOOLS

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## Weekly Newsletter – Important Information

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Reminders for next two weeks (please also check the [school calendar](#))

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| • Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March    | SEND Forum on wellbeing & mental health (2pm in the Infant Hall) |
| • Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March | Essex Cross Country finals (letter sent to selected team)        |
| • Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March | Whole School Easter Assembly with Rev Dave (pm)                  |
| • Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March  | Infant School Easter Bonnet Parade (pm)                          |
| • Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March    | Good Friday. Start of the Easter Holiday!                        |
| • Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April    | Return to school   |
| • Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April    | Y5 Borough Sports trials (see below)                             |
| • Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April   | Y3 Borough Sports trials (see below)                             |
| • Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April | Y4 Borough Sports trials (see below)                             |
| • Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April  | Y6 Borough Sports trials (see below)                             |

### PA Summer Fete

This will be held on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June from 1-00pm to 3-30pm. Details will follow shortly, but please add this date to your calendar. For our football keen families, we have checked, and it is not a day which England are scheduled to play in the European Championships!

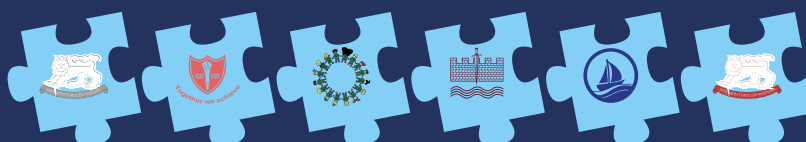
### Bournes Green Science Fair

Thank you to the children, parents and wider families who joined us for Wednesday's Science Fair. It was great to see so many interesting facts, experiments and scientific discussions taking place. Thank you to Miss Penry and Mr Kent for their hard work in planning our Science Week and Wednesday's Fair.

### Guide Dog fundraising – The Coin Collector Challenge!

Thank you all so much for your generous silver donations this week. The School Council are still counting the individual class and overall totals which we hope to share with you in next week's newsletter.

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### **Y5/6 Girls Football**

A huge congratulations to our Y5/6 Girls Football Team who competed in the Southern England NLT tournament on Tuesday against 7 other high performing girls football teams. The girls remained undefeated in their group games and qualified for the semi-final, which they won 2-1 after coming back from being 1-0 down early in the game. Sadly, they narrowly lost the final, 2-1 but played incredibly well and were unlucky not to find the equalizer late on following a period of consistent pressure.

Whilst the girls were disappointed, they left in the knowledge that they had qualified for the final from over 1000 schools, played incredibly well and conducted themselves with pride and dignity. Every girl from the 8-girl squad played their part in a fantastic team achievement and we are very proud of them!

As a well done and thank you, we are in discussions with ex-professional footballer and Republic of Ireland international, Simon Cox, to lead a special training session for the squad.



### **Bournes Green Junior Borough Sports Trials – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

Weather permitting, we will be holding our borough sports trials on these afternoons and will form part of an extended PE lesson. Mr Kent, Mr Palmer and I will work with the teachers during these afternoons to determine which children are selected for the athletics squad for this summer. Following this, we will organise and share the training sessions from which, we will select the final teams.

We are lucky to have secured the support of Mr Palmer again for this summer. For those who may not be aware, as well as being a School Academy Committee Member, Mr Palmer is a UK Athletics Level 3 Performance Coach with over 40 years athletics experience at local, county and national level as a competitor, coach and team manager. He is also the Head Coach at City of Southend-on-Sea Athletic Club Junior Academy, so his athletics skills and knowledge will be a valuable asset to us this summer.

As you may know, last summer, the children did incredibly well, and we have plans to match or even exceed that this year. As one of the smaller schools in the borough, we have fewer children to select from, but nevertheless, we plan to help our children collect more medals and trophies this year!

### **Before School incident this morning**

It has been brought to my attention that this morning, two men were engaged in a heated argument at the start of the school day. This was seen and witnessed by a number of parents, and more importantly our children and some younger siblings. Aside from exposing our families to such unpleasantness, it does not reflect well on our school, and I would respectfully ask that those involved reflect on the incident.

Where problems occur that you think I may be able to assist with, please do let me know; I am happy to help where I can.

In writing this reminder, it is with the sole intention of keeping our community as happy and safe as possible. Thank you.

### **Summer Uniform**

When the children return after Easter, please ensure they are wearing the Summer Uniform. Thank you!

- Charcoal grey skirt/culottes (knee length)
- Tailored trousers/pinafore dress
- Charcoal grey trousers or shorts (knee length)
- Navy blue/white gingham summer dress (knee length)
- White polo shirt with or without red school motif (worn tucked in)
- School cardigan or jumper with school logo
- White knee length socks or grey/black tights/socks
- Black shoes or sandals (flat/not boots/not open-toed)

### **PA Easter Egg Raffle**



Please help us raise valuable funds for our school by purchasing tickets for our fun easter raffle. 10 children in each school have the chance to win an easter egg. Winners will be drawn Thursday morning so the eggs can be enjoyed during the holidays. Please remember to add your child's name & class as payment reference.

### **Social Media – Twitter/X: @Bournesgreensch - Instagram: @bournesgreenschool**

If you would like your child to be included in social media posts, please remember to ensure you have updated photo consents on the MCAS app.

## Attendance

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Infant Classes	This week's attendance	Junior Classes	This week's attendance	<div>Attendance Ladder</div> <div><div>Equates to:</div><div><div><div>4</div><div>SCHOOL DAYS</div><div>of school year</div></div><div>&lt;&lt;</div><div>100%</div><div>&gt;&gt;</div><div>PERFECTION</div></div><div><div>7</div><div>SCHOOL DAYS</div><div>of school year</div></div><div>&lt;&lt;</div><div>98%</div><div>&gt;&gt;</div><div>IMPRESSIVE</div></div> <div><div>9</div><div>SCHOOL DAYS</div><div>of school year</div></div> <div>&lt;&lt;</div> <div>96%</div> <div>&gt;&gt;</div> <div>GOOD</div> <div><div>11</div><div>SCHOOL DAYS</div><div>of school year</div></div> <div>&lt;&lt;</div> <div>95%</div> <div>&gt;&gt;</div> <div>NEARLY THERE</div> <div><div>20</div><div>SCHOOL DAYS</div><div>of school year</div></div> <div>&lt;&lt;</div> <div>94%</div> <div>&gt;&gt;</div> <div>NEEDS TO IMPROVE</div> <div><div>30</div><div>SCHOOL DAYS</div><div>of school year</div></div> <div>&lt;&lt;</div> <div>90%</div> <div>&gt;&gt;</div> <div>CONCERNS <small>referred to Educational Welfare / Personal adviser</small></div> <div><div>30</div><div>SCHOOL DAYS</div><div>of school year</div></div> <div>&lt;&lt;</div> <div>85%</div> <div>&gt;&gt;</div> <div>SERIOUS CONCERNS</div>
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This year's attendance target: 96.5%			
Sunshine	96.00%	Oak	97.27%
Sandcastle	89.68%	Spruce	97.19%
Pebble	97.33%	Elm	95.15%
Shell	97.00%	Pine	96.97%
Starfish	92.67%	Beech	95.31%
Jellyfish	98.00%	Hazel	93.64%
		Birch	93.64%
		Willow	93.94%

Assembly Information	
Artist of the Half Term	Queen
Language of the Month	Urdu
Our Fortnightly Focus	To read at home at least three times every week
Mr Denchfield's Fact of the Week	You cannot fold a piece of A4 paper in half more than 8 times

## Key School Website Links

<a href="#">My Child At School</a>	<a href="#">School Contact Info</a>	<a href="#">School Calendar</a>
<a href="#">Term dates</a>	<a href="#">School Lunches</a>	<a href="#">School Uniform</a>
<a href="#">Gaming &amp; Social Media</a>	<a href="#">Children using mobile phones</a>	<a href="#">Children's Online Worry Box</a>
<a href="#">Walking home from school</a>	<a href="#">Children's birthdays!</a>	<a href="#">Sport at Bournes Green</a>
<a href="#">11+ Selective Testing</a>	<a href="#">Supporting Learning at Home</a>	<a href="#">Safeguarding</a>
<a href="#">Parents Association</a>	<a href="#">Parents SEND Forum</a>	<a href="#">Parent Partnership</a>
<a href="#">Volunteer reading</a>	<a href="#">Attendance Information</a>	<a href="#">Inclement Weather Update</a>
<a href="#">School Streets</a>		

## Weekly Newsletter – Time to celebrate!

Personal Achievements		
This section is for parents to share any achievements their child/children have achieved outside of school. If you would like us to share your news, please email <a href="mailto:juniors@bournesgreen.secat.co.uk">juniors@bournesgreen.secat.co.uk</a>		
Learning Power Awards		
Enthusiasm	Sienna, Keira	
Effort	Safi, Layce, Logan, Mia.Me, Leo	Parker, Maisie, Sidrah, Aamir
Improvement	Isla	Austin
Co-operation	Hugo, Jake	Amber, Jessica, Oscar, Josh
Concentration	Neve, Francesca, Reuben	
Curiosity	Ava	
Perseverance		Ana, Halle



## Local News & Events

**The Essex Fire Museum**  
at Grays

**Essex Fire Museum Open Days**  
Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
10.30am to 4.00pm  
(Last suggested entry time: 2.30pm)



Visits must be pre-booked via:  
[museum@essex-fire.gov.uk](mailto:museum@essex-fire.gov.uk)

Address: Essex Fire Museum, Grays Fire station,  
Hogg Lane, Grays, RM17 5QS

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
INVITES YOU TO JOIN THEM

**SATURDAY  
23RD MARCH  
COMMUNITY  
EASTER CRAFT  
AFTERNOON**

**2PM - 4PM**

Entry is free to all. If you would like to make a donation, we will be collecting Easter eggs for the Shoebury Ark.

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

Shoeburyness Methodist Church  
St. Andrew's Road  
SS3 9HX

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday, for our final week of the Spring Term.

Yours sincerely,



**Mr D Denchfield**  
**Headteacher**