

Weekly Newsletter – Important Information

Friday 7th March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

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

- Monday 10th March – 13th March Y6 Bikeability
- Monday 10th March Eco-Council to Garons (letter sent to children)
- Wednesday 12th March Y3/4 Tag Rugby (letter sent to team)
- Thursday 13th March Y5/6 Girls Football (letter sent to team)
- Friday 14th March Y4 Bikeability
- Friday 14th March KS1 Football finals (letter sent to team)
- Wednesday 19th March 3:15pm Infant & Junior School Book Look
- Wednesday 19th March 3:20pm – 4pm Science Fair
- Thursday 20th March Infant Music Festival

World Book Day – A Celebration of Reading Together!

At Bournes Green, reading is always at the heart of everything we do – but World Book Day gave us the perfect chance to shine a spotlight on the sheer joy and magic of reading for pleasure. The whole school community came together in a vibrant celebration of stories, imagination, and creativity.

Secret Reader: There was a buzz of anticipation as children selected a story, collection of poems or an exciting extract from a menu of choices, without knowing which member of staff would be reading it! Children then made their way to different locations around the school to discover their Secret Reader and enjoy a surprise story session. It was wonderful to see the excitement and curiosity as stories were shared across year groups.

Drop Everything And Read (D.E.A.R.): At precisely 11:40, a bell rang out across both schools – and everything stopped for 15 magical minutes of reading. Children and adults alike picked up a book of their choice and simply read. This whole-school moment sent a powerful message: reading for pleasure matters, and it's something everyone can make time for!

Classroom Door Book Cover Challenge: Our classrooms were transformed as each class set to work designing their own doors as the cover of a favourite book. From bold artwork to intricate designs, the doors are a true reflection of the love of books that runs through our school.

Journey Challenge: Every class, from Reception to Year 6, explored *Journey*, a stunning wordless picture book by Aaron Becker. Classes were challenged to create something inspired by the story and the children's creativity was truly inspiring – with artwork, drama, writing, and music all bringing this beautiful story to life.

It was a day full of wonder, imagination, and a shared love of stories – showing once again that at our schools, reading really does open the door to endless possibilities.



Bournes Green Junior Borough Sports Trials

- Monday 24th March Y4 Borough Sports trials (pm)
- Tuesday 25th March Y3 Borough Sports trials (pm)
- Thursday 27th March Y6 Borough Sports trials (pm)
- Monday 31st March Y5 Borough Sports trials (pm)

Weather permitting, we will be holding our borough sports trials on these afternoons and will form part of an extended PE lesson. Mr Palmer 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, 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.

Attendance

Thank you for your support in maintaining high attendance for your child/children.

This week's attendance (Our target for the year is 96.5%)			
RN	97.33%	RG	99.33%
1R	100%	1LW	94.33%
2B	91.67%	2M	97.99%
3H	98.53%	3C	99.70%
4SS	97.88%	4W	95.76%
5R	98.18%	5S	97.27%
6C	94.85%	6H	98.18%

Attendance Ladder		
Equates to:	100%	PERFECTION
4 SCHOOL DAYS of each year	98%	IMPRESSIVE
7 SCHOOL DAYS of each year	96%	GOOD
9 SCHOOL DAYS of each year	95%	NEARLY THERE
11 SCHOOL DAYS of each year	94%	NEEDS TO IMPROVE
20 SCHOOL DAYS of each year	90%	CONCERNS <small>Children to be aware of behavior / personal problems</small>
30 SCHOOL DAYS of each year	85%	SERIOUS CONCERNS

Safeguarding updates/reminders from Mrs Goy - dsl@bournesgreen.secat.co.uk

TikTok is an app that I am sure many of you have used or are aware of. It is incredibly popular with young people. The app is rated at 13+ which means our children are not regarded as old enough to use it and we would not recommend its use. However, it is important to let you know the areas of concern around the use of the app. The way that Tiktok uses algorithms to link content means that messages can be very quickly shared and supported hundreds of times. Young people can find it difficult to know what is real. Challenges, dares and reflections on body image are common content.

[WUW TikTok Guide](#)

Assembly Information	
Artist of the Half Term	Bee Gees
Language of the Month	Urdu
Mr Kent's Fact of the Week	A group of ladybirds is called a loveliness. A group of ravens is called an unkindness

Children's Council Updates	
Eco-Committee	Our eco team have been planting trees across both schools this week and are excited to see them grow! The winners of the Infant Eco Points this week are 2M and 2B.


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.

Key School Website Links

My Child At School	School Contact Info	School Calendar
Term dates	School Lunches	School Uniform
Gaming & Social Media	Children using mobile phones	Children's Online Worry Box
Walking home from school	Children's birthdays!	Sport at Bournes Green
11+ Selective Testing	Supporting Learning at Home	Safeguarding
Parents Association	Parents SEND Forum	Parent Partnership
Volunteer reading	Attendance Information	Inclement Weather Update
School Streets	University of Bournes Green	The Drop Zone

Weekly Newsletter – Time to celebrate!

Achievements	
<p>We encourage our parents to share any achievements their child has achieved outside of school. If you would like us to share your news, please email juniors@bournesgreen.secat.co.uk</p>	
	<p>Last week the Y3/4 girls football team came 4th in their competition. The team effort and support to one another was superb. Everyone played in different positions, so the girls had a chance to play where they wanted and they adapted well to each role. Well done girls!</p>




Theo, Max, Ollie, Tommy, Shivansh and Finn from Leigh Ramblers won 6 games and drew 1 putting them top of league.
The boys are very dedicated and committed to the sport. Well done boys on never giving up and working hard every week! Good luck this weekend when you play your first game in the West league.

Core Values Awards

Believe. We believe in ourselves and each other in all that we do, even when faced with challenges.
Grow. We grow as individuals and become better people in every way. We take great pride in helping others grow.
Succeed. We always try our best. We celebrate our own and other's successes, inside and outside of school. We are proud of every achievement.

	Infants	Juniors
Believe	Thomas, Henry	
Grow	Archie, Ezra, Oliver, Paisley, Florence	Ethan
Succeed	Dylan, Ava, Nell	Frank, Harrison

Children who were on Gold last week

	Infants	Juniors
	Subhan, Rosie, Toby, Jake, Nova, Kian, Francie, Lily, Gracie, Miller, Wilfred, Thomas, Skyla, Dottie, Issy, Jenson, Jess, Rae, Ethan, Finley S, Henry, Luke, Sophia	Harry, Leo, Tom, Anum, Amaan, Tia, Louie, Poppy, Lily, Rocco

Weekly Newsletter – Local News & Events

get active and have fun
ASSA Soccer School
Active Soccer & Sport Academy



COURSE DETAILS

HELD AT VENUES ACROSS SOUTHEND DURING ALL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

info@assa.uk.com
BOOK NOW
07708361319

YEAR 1&2 10.00AM - 3.00PM
YEAR 3&4 10.00AM - 3.00PM
YEAR 5&6 10.00AM - 3.00PM



WEEK 1

Monday 7th April - Wednesday 9th April

WEEK 2

Monday 14th April - Wednesday 16th April

1 DAY = £25
2 DAYS = £45
3 DAYS = £55
per child, per week

VENUE
Darlinghurst Academy,
Pavilion Drive
Leigh on Sea.
ESSEX
SS9 3JS

SAVE £10!
SIBLING DISCOUNT
per family, per week

COMPETITIONS ALL WEEK!
TROPHIES AWARDED TO ALL WINNERS
PRESTIGIOUS ASSA AWARD TO BE WON



When booking via email or text please include the name of the child, school year and days.

We have indoor facilities available on all our courses so please bring both football boots and trainers. Shin Pads are highly recommended. Children will need a nut free packed lunch and suitable drinks.

Thorpe Bay LTC
Easter Tennis Camp

Wed 9th, Thurs 10th April &
Wed 16th, Thurs 17th April
9.00am-1.30pm
Same price earlier start time

Price
£20 Members
£25 Non Members
10% discount for multi day or siblings
For kids aged 3-18 (Split groups)
All equipment provided by Thorpe Bay Lawn Tennis Club

Payment Details:
Account name - Thorpe Bay Lawn Tennis Club Ltd
Sort Code - 30-92-53
Account no - 27496268
Ref - Childs name
Please bring drinks and snacks

Don't forget to come along to our Easter Fun Day on Fri 18th April 3-4.30pm

For more information or to book contact:
Matt Bell 07786238586 or mattwgbell@aol.com

Enjoy your weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Yours sincerely,

Mr T Kent
Acting Headteacher