

## Weekly Newsletter – Important Information

 Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

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

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| • Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April    | RN to Barleylands                       |
| • Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April   | RG to Barleylands                       |
| • Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April | Y5/6 Boys Cricket (letter sent to team) |
| • Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April | Earth Day (see Eco council notes)       |
| • Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April    | Y3/4 Tennis (letter sent to team)       |
| • Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April    | 2B Colchester Zoo                       |
| • Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April   | 2M Colchester Zoo                       |
| • Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April | Y5/6 Quad Kids                          |
| • Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April  | Dance Festival                          |
| • Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May       | Non uniform day for Stafford            |

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and enjoyed some well-deserved time with your families.

It's lovely to see our pupils back in school, full of energy and ready for the exciting term ahead. We have so much to look forward to in the coming weeks, and I know our children will continue to make us proud with their enthusiasm and hard work.

I must take a moment to celebrate our Year 5 pupils, who had an absolutely fantastic time on their 'Kip on a Ship' residential visit to HMS Belfast this week. The children were brilliant ambassadors for Bournes Green Junior School, showing curiosity, respect, and real excitement as they explored this historic warship.

Sleeping aboard HMS Belfast was a truly memorable experience for them all, and the children learned so much about naval history and life at sea. The staff accompanying the trip were incredibly impressed by the pupils' behaviour, teamwork, and willingness to embrace every activity. A huge thank you to all the staff who made this trip possible, and to our Year 5 families for supporting this wonderful opportunity.

As we move through the summer term, we have lots of exciting learning and activities planned across the school. Please keep an eye on our newsletters and website for key dates and information about upcoming events.

Thank you for your continued support.

Together, we'll make this term a brilliant one for all our children.

• EMPOWERING CHILDREN AND SCHOOLS •



A massive thank you to all of those who put their old PE kits into the red bins. These were collected and recently sent to the DRC through links with a charity working with mothers to support them in building their skills to get into work. The kits are being distributed throughout the community. Thank you all!



**Stafford non uniform day: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

The winning house of last term was Stafford and so on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May all children in Stafford are able to come to school in non uniform.

**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%)				Attendance Ladder	
RN	96.005	RG	97.00%	Equates to:	100% PERFECTION
1P	93.67%	1LW	98.99%	4 SCHOOL DAYS	98% IMPRESSIVE
2B	92.00%	2M	97.67%	7 SCHOOL DAYS	96% GOOD
3SS	98.18%	3C	96.06%	9 SCHOOL DAYS	95% NEARLY THERE
4C	95.76%	4TW	96.36%	11 SCHOOL DAYS	94% NEEDS TO IMPROVE
5H	96.36%	5S	96.36%	20 SCHOOL DAYS	90% CONCERNS
6R	95.63%	6H	92.06%	30 SCHOOL DAYS	85% SERIOUS CONCERNS

Assembly Information	
Artist of the Half Term	Florence Price
Language of the Month	Dutch

<b>Votes for Schools Topic</b>	<b>KS1-</b> Should there be pictures of animals on banknotes? <b>KS2-</b> Would you like to see wildlife of UK banknotes?
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<b>Children's Council Updates</b>	
<b>Eco-Committee</b>	<p>Classes have voted for their new Eco Councillors.  They met to discuss Earth Day activities for Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.  Can you do one thing to help the planet next week?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Try to walk or scoot to school on Earth Day to reduce air pollution.</li> <li>2. Plant a tree to provide a habitat for wildlife or an insect loving plant.</li> <li>3. Try to reduce using single use plastics. Plastic pollution is one of the worst problems for our environment. Try to reduce plastic in your lunchbox!</li> </ol> <p>These are just three small ways your children can celebrate Earth Day.  The winners of the Infant Eco Points this week are RG,1P and 2M.</p>

**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**

<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>	<a href="#">University of Bournes Green</a>	<a href="#">The Drop Zone</a>

## Weekly Newsletter – Time to celebrate!

### Achievements

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](mailto:juniors@bournesgreen.secat.co.uk)



Evie won the U8 quadrathlon during the Southend Track and Field meet last Sunday. Congratulations!



Hugo passed his 45min long grading behind closed doors on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March, to reach his 7th kyu (red belt) which is the highest level of the lower grade belts. Hugo has gone from white belt, grading to yellow, orange and now red, all in just 9 months. He is now working towards his higher grade belts starting with green.  
Well done Hugo!



Holly recently won her first competitive tennis league at Southend Lawn Tennis Club. Great work Holly!

### 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
<b>Believe</b>		
<b>Grow</b>	Sophia, William	5S, 5H
<b>Succeed</b>		3SS, Matthew

**Children who were on Gold last week**

	Infants	Juniors
	Hugo, Esme, Jacob, Max, Nico, Ethan, Finley, Blake, Lily, Matheu, Eire, Adem, Connie, Harvey, Ivy, Ava, Dylan, Hattie, Ishaan, Leo, Louis, Zayd, Fia, Callum	Paisley, Jessica, Rae, Alaina, Laila, Jack, Isaiah

**Weekly Newsletter – Local News & Events**

**The Role of ACADEMY COMMITTEE Governors**

Helping to Shape the Future of Our School

**Who Sets the Vision and Direction?**  
The Trust Board sets the overall vision and strategic direction for the academy, ensuring alignment across all schools in the trust.

**Who are Academy Committee Governors?**  
Governors are volunteers who work together to support and guide the school's leadership to ensure the best outcomes for all our pupils.

**What Do Governors Do?**

- Strategic Oversight**
  - Supporting accountability and the implementation of the strategy set by the Trust Board.
- Accountability**
  - Monitoring educational performance and ensuring resources are well managed.
- Support & Challenge**
  - Providing support to the headteacher and asking important questions.

**Why Become a Governor?**

- Make a Difference**
  - Have a positive impact on the education and wellbeing of our students.
- Develop New Skills**
  - Gain experience in leadership and strategic planning.
- Be Part of a Team**
  - Work with other dedicated parents and community members.

**INTERESTED IN GETTING INVOLVED?**  
To learn more about becoming an Academy Committee Governor, please contact us at:  
Email: [katylove@secat.co.uk](mailto:katylove@secat.co.uk)

**SECAT**

**£4 Pay As You Go (Card Only)**

Every Thursday During Term Time  
5:45pm To 6:45pm

**Athletics Club**

Sibling Discounts!  
Weekly Trophies Given Out!

**Where?**  
Southend High School For Girls  
Southchurch Boulevard  
Southend-on-Sea  
SS2 4UD

Year Groups  
Year R/1/2  
Year 3/4  
Year 5/6

Dedicated Coaches  
That Will Always Put Your Children First!

 Southend Under 11s Athletics Club  
 SouthendSSP

[www.spssa.co.uk](http://www.spssa.co.uk)

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

Yours sincerely,



**Mr Martinson  
Headteacher**