



BOWESFIELD  
Primary School

# Headteacher Newsletter

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Autumn 2

## Hello

Welcome to our second term of the year. It has been great to see how well the children have settled back to school.

## Uniform

It is fantastic to see how smart the children continue to look by wearing their school uniform. If you are struggling to get any of the items needed please can you come and speak to a member of staff, we will always try to help.

## Attendance

Remember children need to be in school every day and on time. If your child is poorly, you need to let the school know before 9am and we may ask for medical evidence. Just a reminder that we will not authorise holidays or extended stays during term time. You can find our attendance policy on the school website. Remember being in school every day and on time means you learn well and you can earn rewards.

## Facebook

We have closed the old Facebook page as it wasn't open to everyone. We are going to launch a new Facebook so we can use it for sharing all the excellent things which happen in school. Look out for it, but in the meantime you can use Tapestry or look on our school website for information.

## Ofsted

In October, we had a visit from Ofsted and we were all really pleased with how they recognised what a welcoming school we are and how well our children get on with each other. The report says:

**This is a welcoming school. Pupils show tolerance and respect for other cultures and beliefs.**

They also recognised how the children in early years get off to a good start: **Children in nursery and reception learn well** and how maths is a real strength of the school. **The children make good progress in maths.**

The report also noted how we keep the children safe in school and said: **A culture of safeguarding permeates the school and staff are swift to act on any concerns they have.**

There are some areas we need to improve, which as a school we had already planned to work on this year. These are around developing the whole curriculum and planning around foundation subjects. Any questions please come and talk to me.

The full report can be found on our school website:

<https://www.bowesfieldprimary.org.uk/>

## Events

What a busy term it has been so far. Lots of exciting opportunities have been happening for the children.

## School Council

The children had an assembly with the mayor who talked about how he was voted into the role and the responsibilities which come with it.

After the mayor's visit we had an election day in school where the children went to the polling station and voted for who they wanted to represent their class on the school council. The school council will meet regularly to share ideas about how to make our school even better.

## Danger Detectives

We also have children in school who will work with the adults to make sure our school is a safe place to be. We met together this week with our Chair of Governors, Mrs Marriott, and shared ideas about being safe. I was really pleased with all their ideas.

## Christmas

The children will be taking part in lots of events within their year groups. Each class will be learning a Christmas poem to perform to each other. We will be attending the Christingle at the church and each class will be having a Christmas party. Christmas lunch will also be served for all the children on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December**. If your child doesn't normally have a school lunch but would like one on that day please let us know.

On 16<sup>th</sup> December, we finish school and the children will be able to come to school on that day wearing a Christmas top or to have Christmas decorations in their hair.