

8TH MARCH 2024

# BOSLEY BULLETIN

I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.  
Philippians 4:13



Dear Bosley Family,

Welcoem to the shortest half-term of the year! As always, we have been very busy with lots of exciting things that happening here at Bosley St. Mary's CE Primary School.

Firstly, I would like to express my gratitude to all of you for your enthusiastic support during our recent Bosley Book Day. It was wonderful to see our pupils celebrating books and the joy of reading. We had a range of activities planned, including a live workshop with the renowned author, Michael Rosen. Thank you to all the staff members who contributed to making this day a success.

I am delighted to announce the appointment of our first school librarians. They will be receiving training over the coming weeks and will play a crucial role in promoting a love for literature among our pupils.

In other news, Willow Class recently held a workshop where the children shared their impressive knowledge about Ancient Egyptians. I was blown away by their understanding, and I know their parents were equally impressed. A big thank you goes to Miss Harrison for organizing the workshop and to Mrs. Evans for her support. I would also like to take a moment to acknowledge the success of our recent parents' evening. It was heartening to see the progress our children have made, and I want to express my gratitude for the strong partnership between home and school. It is through this collaboration that we can ensure the best possible learning experience for our students.

Now, onto some specific achievements to celebrate. A warm welcome to the new children who have joined Blossom Class. We are thrilled to have you as part of our Bosley family. Additionally, both Willow and Oak Class have been focusing on times tables, and we have seen some great achievements so far. The tenacity and dedication of our pupils is truly commendable, and we are already seeing the impact in their maths lessons.

Warm regards,

Rebecca Hadfield Headteacher





# ALL ABOUT ATTENDANCE

## When should I keep my child off school?

It's hard to know when to keep a child off school due to illness. In most cases children should come in, especially if they have a cough, colds or slightly raised temperature. It is advisable to send them to school and let school get in contact if necessary.

Our attendance target is



## Stay off school ...

- Chicken Pox
- Diarrhea and vomiting
- Imeptigo
- Measles
- Mumps
- Scabies
- Scarlett fever
- Whooping cough

## Come to school ...

- Hand, foot and mouth
- Glandular fever
- Head lice
- Tonsillitis
- Threadworms
- Slapped cheek

*please let us know!*

[Click here for more help.](#)

# NEWS AND UPDATES

## KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE



We regularly teach children how to stay safe online. These websites will help you to continue the conversation at home:

- ParentZone: Provides support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online, including tips for keeping primary-aged children safe online.
- UK Safer Internet Centre: Offers guidance on safe remote learning and provides a reporting mechanism for harmful online content.
- National Crime Agency/CEOP Thinkuknow: Provides support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online and offers resources on online child sexual abuse.
- Staying Safe - Own It: Practical advice for children and young people on how to stay safe online from the BBC.

## PARKING



You'll soon see signs asking drivers not to let their cars idle near the playground. As a reminder to all - please do not park on the zigzag lines in front of the school gates. Not only could you receive a penalty notice, it is also hazardous on a busy main road with lots of pedestrians. There are plenty of places to park near the school. Thank you for keeping our school safe.

## LOST PROPERTY



Our lost property box is very low - thank you! To help keep it that way, please label everything with your child's name. We collect all lost property into a central point but staff do not have time to look for missing items. You are welcome to look through the box after school if needed.

# OUR CLASS NEWS



## BLOSSOM

Blossom Class have been busy celebrating World Wildlife Day and National Careers Week. We have been using role play to explore different occupations and small world play to discuss animal groups and features. Next week will be celebrating British Science Week by investigating lots of different materials.



## WILLOW

As well as celebrating Bosley Book Day this week Willow hosted a workshop for their relatives. During the busy afternoon the children taught the adults how to create models, jewellery, paper and even how to write like an Egyptian. Great teamwork Willow!



## OAK

In addition to celebrating Bosley Book Day this week, we have also started our new text in English: The Last Bear by Hannah Gold. The book is set on Bear Island, the southernmost island in the Norwegian Svalbard archipelago and the children have been amazed to have watched live webcam footage from the region as we've been reading, prior to writing a logbook entry from the perspective of the main character.

Monday YR, Y1,  
Y2 and Y6  
Wear uniform,  
bring PE kit



Monday Y3, Y4  
and Y5  
Swimming kit  
under uniform



Thursday  
Wear forest  
school clothes



Friday PE  
Wear PE kit to  
school





## *Help Shape Bosley's Curriculum*

**Your views matter. Click the link to have your say!**

We are committed to continuously improving our curriculum to meet the needs of all our learners. Your feedback is crucial in helping us create an inclusive and engaging learning experience for every pupil.

Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to share your valuable insights and make a difference in our school community!



# CERTIFICATE WINNERS

## Encourage

Charlotte, Alison and Lacey

### Headteacher's Award

Arthur

Encourage one another and  
build each other up.

1 Thessalonians 5:11



## Achieve

Sid, Ellie and Alastair

### Headteacher's Award

Oliver

Commit to the Lord whatever  
you do, and he will establish  
your plans. Proverbs 16:3



# ATTENDANCE

Blossom

88.8%



Willow

93.3%



Oak

92.2%



Bosley School

92.1%



# Proposed Changes to the Timings of the School Day

As you may be aware, the Department for Education requires all schools to open for a minimum of 32.5 hours per week from September 2024. Currently, our school falls short of this requirement by 15 minutes per day, despite doors opening at 8:40 am and the official register starting at 9:00 am.

## Seeking Your Input

To bridge this gap and provide the best possible learning environment for all pupils, we are proposing a minor adjustment to the school day schedule and value your feedback before implementation.

## Proposed Change

Our proposal is to shift the start of the official register to 8:50 am, and extend the school day by 5 minutes, ending at 3:20 pm. This change would effectively meet the required 32.5 hours without altering the overall duration of the school day for pupils.

## Rationale

We believe this modification offers several advantages:

- **Minimal impact on families:** By maintaining similar pick-up and drop-off times, we aim to minimize disruptions to your daily routines.
- **Enhanced learning structure:** The additional 20 minutes allows for a revised timetable with more dedicated time for core subjects in the morning and Collective Worship scheduled after lunch.
- **Improved efficiency:** Early morning registration streamlines the day's start, allowing for a smoother transition into lessons.

## Your Voice Matters

We firmly believe that the educational experience thrives with community involvement. Your feedback on this proposed change is crucial in making an informed decision. Please share your thoughts by completing this [online survey](#).

The survey will be open until Friday 15th March. This proposal will then be discussed at the next governors' meeting and, if passed, the new timings will start in the Summer term. We encourage you to participate and actively shape the future of our school day.

Thank you for your time and valuable insights.

# DIARY DATES 2023/24

Please note that dates can and do change - we will keep you as up to date as possible.

## September

5th - School re-opens  
8th - Welcome Service  
20th - Parents  
Information Evening  
28th - Rose Queen  
Meeting  
29th - Harvest Festival

## October

11th - Oak Pilgrim Day  
19th - Pumpkin Party

## November

1st - Parents Evening  
9th - PTA AGM  
10th - Remembrance  
Service  
24th - KS2 Cross Country  
competition

## December

2nd - Christmas Fayre  
18th - Nativity  
20th - Theatre Trip  
21st - Christingle

## January

17th - Information  
Evening - Assessments

## February

6th - School photos  
8th - PTA Movie Night  
9th - KS2 Football  
competition  
14th - Ash Wednesday  
15th - Whole School Trip  
29th - Parents Evening

## March

8th - Mothers' Day  
27th - PTA Easter Bingo  
28th - Easter

## April

26th - Blossom Athletics

## May

W/C 13th - Y6 SATS  
17th - KS2 Archery  
competition

## June

W/C 3rd - Multiplication  
Check (2 week window)  
W/C 10th - Phonics  
Screening Check  
15th - Bosley Village Fete  
28th - KS2 Cricket  
competition  
TBC - Sports Day

## July

8th - 10th - Residential  
12th - Annual Reports  
18th - Bosfest 2024  
19th - Leavers' service,  
last date of school

## AUGUST

Summer holidays!

