

# Bow Community Primary School

# The Bow Times

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## Welcome ...

... to the latest edition of the Bow Times. Already we are at the end of the first half-term and I think that the children – especially some of our younger pupils – are ready for the break; they are becoming tired and teasy and easily reduced to tears... bless! The rest of the school has settled very well into the rhythms of the new year, and have been hard at work already.

## Learning Leaves ...

### Week ending Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October

Learning leaves were awarded to Willow, Lola, Jack, Maja, Sapphire, Kameron, Fynn, Isla, Ethan, Ella and Isla.



## Math-a-Magician of the Week ...

### Week ending Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October

Math-a-magicians this week are Noah, Hannah, Danny, Amelie and Alfie.



## Bikeability ...

This week the year 6's have been undertaking the bikeability training which will ensure they all have the knowledge and skills to cycle safely on the roads, as well as some basic bike check familiarity and maintenance know how. They are all enjoying this outdoor learning; huge thanks to the bikeability ladies, who have thoroughly enjoyed teaching the children at Bow School, so much so, that they have expressed a wish to clone them and take them around all the other bikeability schools!!



## Dare I mention the 'C' word ...

It is only around the corner; Christmas will be here before we know it. Already, Mrs Fay and Mrs Rees have been collaborating on this year's Key Stage 1 Nativity. Each year there are costumes to be gathered, repaired and made...! We have received several bags of fabric donations into school and now the KS1 teachers are looking for any volunteers who are able to help make, sort and repair the costumes that we need for this year's play.

If you are able to help, please could you speak to Mrs Fay in the first instance. Thank you.

## **Term-time Holidays ...**

We are in receipt of a new notification from the local authority regarding holidays that are taken in term-time. We, as a school, are unable to authorise term-time holidays unless exceptional circumstances are involved, such as a parent who is a member of the armed forces, where they have no choice over their holiday times. We are now obliged to inform the local authority of holiday-related absences that total more than 10 sessions (a day equals 2 sessions).

This could result in the family receiving a fine from the local authority, relating to this absence.

## **Parking in the lower car park ...**

To make the most of the lower car parking area in the school grounds, when parking on the left-hand side, could parents please park side by side, as they do when parking on the right-hand side of the car park. In doing this, there will be much more space available for additional cars to park.

Thank You.

## **Parent's Evening ...**

Thank you to all of the parents who attended this week's parents' evening sessions. Both evenings were well attended and ran smoothly and more or less to time.

A big "Thank You", to members of the FOBS team, who did a sterling job providing teas and coffees to parents whilst they were waiting for their teacher appointments.

Our next parents evening will be in July 2019.

## **Safeguarding ...**

As we are approaching the holidays, please find below the telephone number of MASH - the team which you can ring and voice any safeguarding concerns that you may have about any child. If you are in any doubt about what that child is experiencing, or have any concerns regarding how safe they are, please ring the Multi Agency Safeguarding (MASH) where you can talk to someone about your concerns and ensure that a child will be supported.

The number to dial is: 0345 155 1071.

## **And finally ...**

Autumn is well and truly beginning to take hold. The leaves are falling from the trees and the days are shortening. Our 'Lost Property' box is over-flowing and now fills TWO boxes. Please can you use a sharpie and name your child(ren)s items of clothing, so that we can make sure it is returned to them. If you are in school, please do take a look, as many of our pupils appear to be unable to recognise items of clothing that belong to them!

Have a wonderful half-term holiday and we will see you all safely returned on Monday 29th October.

Until next time...

Lesley Hodgson