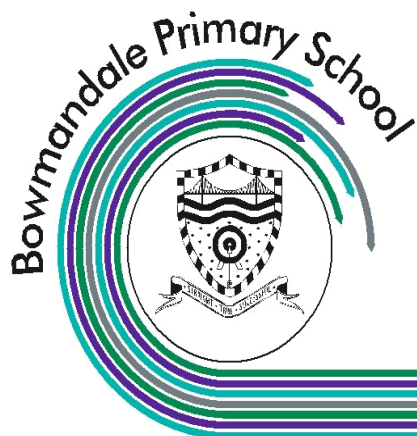




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Diary Dates

World Book Day

The children celebrated World Book Day on Thursday 5th March by coming to school dressed as a word. Everyone made an incredible effort.



01/04/26 — 6-7pm
Easter Bingo

02/04/26 — Easter
Raffle

02/04/26 - School
closes at 2.30pm
for the Easter Holiday

21/04/26 — School re-opens
after the Easter Holiday

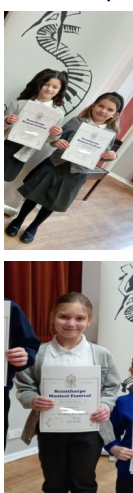


**RED
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Speech and Drama Festival

Congratulations to all of the children who represented the school at the Scunthorpe Speech and Drama Festival. You all performed your poems wonderfully!

Well done!



Red Nose Day

Friday 20th March was Red Nose Day. We held a non-uniform day with a red theme to raise money for this worthy cause. So far we've raised an amazing £192.50. Thank you!



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Please may we ask that you inform the school if any information held by the school changes e.g. telephone numbers.

KS2 Careers Event

On Friday 6th March we held our Careers Event for children in Key Stage 2. Several parents very kindly gave up their time to come into school to talk to the children about their careers.

Please may we say a huge thank you to Miss Havercroft for organising the event and to those parents who came in to help. We couldn't have done it without you!



Dance Showcase

We were delighted to take a group of children from EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 to the annual Dance Showcase at the Baths Hall.

All of the children performed with confidence and were an absolute credit to the school.



Mobile Devices

You may be aware from the press recently that Bridget Phillipson (Secretary of State for Education) sent all schools an email 'Strengthened guidance on mobile phones in schools', that outlines that schools should be a phone-free environment for the entire school day.

Please note in particular the paragraph from Bridget below;

"I have always been clear that mobile phones have no place in schools - I know many of you feel the same. But it is clear that the previous guidance did not deliver the clarity or consistency that schools need, or help enough in setting out for parents that this is a clear national position. That is why we have strengthened it to be explicit - all schools should be phone-free environments for the entire school day. That includes lessons, time between lessons, break times and lunchtime. It means, for example, it is not appropriate for phones to be used as calculators, or for research during lessons."

As a primary school, this is our policy already, so nothing has really changed for us. However, we do recognise that Year 6 pupils and their families may rely on mobile phones as a safety measure where children travel to and from school independently. Where this is the case, Year 6 pupils may bring a mobile phone with them providing their family has signed a Mobile Devices Agreement. If a Year 6 child does bring their device the mobile phone is switched off and put in the designated area on arrival at school and collected again as they leave for the day.

In link with this new guidance, it must also be noted that many watches now have smart features. Therefore, we request that watches with smart features are also not worn at school.