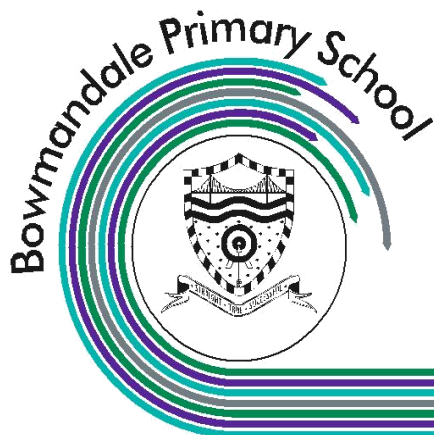




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### Key Dates

15th January—Big Talk  
19th January—Silent Disco  
26th January—Class Photo Day  
29th January— Family Quiz—6pm  
3rd February—Valentine Disco—3.30-4.15pm  
9th February—Parent's Evening—3.45-6pm  
11th February—Parent's Evening—3.45-6.30pm  
10th February—Safer Internet Day  
13th February—Sponsored Bounce Day  
5th March—World Book Day  
18th March—Family Book Look  
20th March -Red Nose Day  
1st April—Easter Bingo 6pm-7pm  
2nd April—Easter Raffle and Break up at 2.30pm.

### Homework

We ask that children read at home at least three times a week and it is recorded in their reading record so we know when their book needs changing. Please take the time to read with your child at least three times a week to help them to practise the skills they are learning in school. Read, Write, Inc books should be read multiple times throughout the week. Please can children bring their reading books and records into school everyday as staff will need access to your child's book as we hear children read on different days. If you feel your child needs to read a book again to build confidence, please leave a note in their diary and we won't change the book.

The children will continue to bring home different homework sheets and booklets, these are to be completed whenever you choose and do not need to be returned to school.

### PE

PE will be on a Monday. Please ensure that your child always has their kit in school and provide tape for those with their ears pierced. Your child needs a house team coloured PE tshirt (you can ask the ladies in the office if you are not sure which colour your child needs), some black shorts and black plimsolls or trainers.

## EYFS

## Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic Autumn term we had with the children! They have really settled into life at Bowmandale and are confident and happy learners. Reading has been a huge success over the last term and lots of children are doing so well in Read, Write, Inc and with their Home Reading Books. Please continue to keep reading at home with your child.

Be sure to check the app for regular updates of our learning, although I'm sure your child will share all of our fun filled adventures with you too!

For the first half of the Spring term, our children will be learning about people who help us. Following half term, our theme is, Ready, Steady, Cook. If your child loves to bake or cook at home, please take some photos of this activity and send them in with your child to share with the class or put them on Tapestry.

Should you have any concerns or wish to talk about your child's progress, please do not hesitate to speak with us.

Mrs Hoggarth, Mrs Duck and Mrs Wood

### Class Book:

Zog and the Flying Doctors, What the ladybird heard, Mr Wolf's Pancakes and Oliver's Vegetables

### School trip:

Visit to Barton Fire Station

### **Literacy**

In Literacy the children will continue with Phonics through Read, Write, Inc and will begin to put letters together to write words. Our children are heard reading everyday in RWI lessons by their phonics teacher. We will have weekly writing sessions in the Spring Term that will link to our work and themed books. Although some children may find the beginning stages of writing tricky, the sessions are aimed at every child's ability. If you complete any writing with your child at home, please put a photograph of their writing on Tapestry.

### **Number**

In Maths the children are working on recognising numbers to 20 and being able to count objects accurately. We will introduce addition and subtraction with numbers to 10 and we will also work on children knowing number bonds to 10. Children will learn simple 3D shape names and their properties, learn weight, length and capacity which will also include being able to order them according to their volume. They will also begin to solve practical 'real life' problems during COOL time activities.

### **Science**

In Science, the children will carry out some scientific investigations, exploring hot and cold objects and exploring the senses. We will plant cress or bean seeds and talk about what plants need to grow. This will then lead us into growing our own potatoes in our outdoor area, entering the annual local competition for the heaviest crop and the funniest looking potato.

Throughout the second half of the term the children will gain insights into food from around the world and they will have the opportunity to taste different foods from different countries.

### **Dance Showcase**

Some children in Reception will be offered the opportunity to perform at the Dance Showcase in Scunthorpe this year. This is in March and our children will spend time learning a dance to perform on the stage at the Baths Hall.

### **Personal, Social, and Emotional Development**

The children will be consolidating the Bowmandale motto, 'Straight, True, Successful' and begin to learn what it is like to belong to a school family. We will reinforce the expectation that we show kind hands and kind feet towards each other at all times. The children will develop their understanding of how the school day works, and learn about rules and routines. They will explore why we are all special and learn to develop trust with one another. We encourage our children to be independent learners who challenge themselves and who show kindness to others.

### **Fine Motor Skills**

They will be working on developing good pencil and scissor control, please practise cutting skills at home. It will also help your child to be able to fasten the zip on their coat independently, so zip practise would also help.

### **What Parents Can Do To Help?**

Please continue to work with your child with the maths and phonics homework associated with the sounds that we have covered, instructions showing how to help your child learn the sound using prompts and also information on letter formation.

We also ask that you read your child's reading book with them as many times as possible a week as well as enjoying a bedtime story. Reading books will be changed every Monday and Friday.

Please ensure your child always has a PE kit in school that is clearly labelled with their full name. Please could you also provide tape for those children who have their ears pierced.

Lastly, any empty boxes, tubs, bottles etc. will be greatly appreciated for our junk modelling station.

We are always available on the door after school if you have any questions, alternatively you can email the admin email address and the office team will forward your email to us.

Thank you for your continued support.

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