

# Bounds Green School Newsletter



4th October 2021

## A Message from Bounds Green

### From Will

I have already written letters to welcome our families back, and how quickly four weeks and the whole of September have flown by! The children have settled into their new classes and teams so well that myself and the staff are filled with pride. It has been so pleasing to see the return of school assemblies (especially Star of the Week!) and singing assemblies, something that last happened nearly two years ago. Our new Nursery and Reception children are also settling in like "ducks to water".

In the second half of the Summer term we consulted with parents on our new vision statement for Bounds Green. I will be writing to you next week to update you with the feedback we received from yourselves, Governors and most importantly, the children, which we reflected upon and as a result revised our final vision statement. I will be updating you on this next week, please look out for the email.

### Sports Tournaments Return with Bang!

Our Yr6 boys football team came 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Haringey Borough plate tournament, playing nine games, scoring 29 goals and conceding only eight! We had two players who excelled themselves at the tournament, one who was our top scorer with 11 goals, and the other made the winning penalty in a shootout (against Rhodes Avenue), and also the winning goal in the final against St Michael's.

All the boys were fantastic and worked so hard for each other, especially in the high scoring games where we won 4-0 twice, 6-1 and 5-3! Go Team BG!



### Nut-Free School

Please remember that we are a nut-free school, this includes After School Club. Please don't bring an After School Club snack for your child that includes nuts, such as; peanut butter sandwiches, granola bars (as many also contain nuts), etc.

### School Payments

As we've now started a new academic year, we'd like to remind parents and carers to please keep up to date with their school payments. You can make payment via School Gateway using your mobile and email address. If you are having any troubles with creating an account or logging in, please make sure that the office has the most up-to-date information for you.

If your child is now in Year 3, please remember that you will have to start paying for your school meal, therefore it is very important that we have the correct meal type on the system for your child

# School News

## School Meals

We are very pleased to say that Rose, our Head Chef in the kitchen, is back with us after having a period of time away. We'd like to thank Lunchtime Company for helping to cover while Rose was away.

You can see the latest school menu on our website via this link: <https://boundsgreenschool.co.uk/parents/parent-information/school-meals/> and this will be the menu until the October half term. Please note, while there is a shortage of drivers the kitchen sometimes don't get the full order of food, meaning that there will sometimes have to be substitutions from what is on the menu. Luckily this hasn't happened often, and the substitutions will be something that is already on the menu for a different day, so please bear with us during this time.

## School Pick Up

This is a reminder to parents and carers that when collecting your child at the end of the school day, please make sure that you enter the school at the correct time for your child, and not earlier.

Nursery finishes at 3pm, so at this time only Nursery parents should be entering the school grounds and keeping behind the wooden fence at the front of the school. At 3:10pm the Reception children finish and this is the time that Reception parents can come onto the school grounds to go and collect their child. The gates will then open to all parents at 3:15pm so that they can collect their children when they finish at 3:25pm.

We ask that parents only enter the school grounds at the correct time as there are still classes taking place for the older children during the Nursery and Reception pick up time. If you are collecting a child from the Nursery and then needing to collect a sibling in an older class, after collecting your Nursery child please wait outside the school grounds until the gates open fully at 3:15pm.

Once you have dropped off or collected your child and left the school grounds, please try to avoid gathering by the school gates as this can cause congestion and makes it harder for people to socially distance from each other while entering or leaving.

## London Football Academy Collections

If your child attends one of the London Football Academy activity clubs after school (Football club or Multi-Sports club), please remember to collect your child from the side gate on Park Road so that your child can be released directly to you.

This is because the After School Club will still be running at that time with children in the different playgrounds, and we therefore need to keep the parents/children from London Football Academy separate.

## Communicating with the School

This is a reminder to parents and carers, that if any issues arise at school between the children, please speak to your child's teacher, or to a member of the Senior Leadership Team, so that it can be dealt with within school. Please don't deal with the issue directly.

# Important Dates

## Dates for your Diary

Below are important dates of which you should be aware. Wherever there is a new addition, it will be printed in **bold** so that it stands out. In the case of Educational Visits, we aim to give as much notice as possible, however, please be mindful that occasionally last minute, educationally enriching opportunities arise which are considered too good an opportunity to pass up. Please look at this section of the newsletter every week as there are sometimes unavoidable changes to dates that you will need to take note of.

Please also see the Calendar on the school website: <https://boundsgreenschool.co.uk/new-and-events/school-calendar/>

<p><b><u>October 2021</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12.10.21 – Reception Meet the Teacher (4-4:30pm)</li> <li>• 14.10.21 – Reception – Yr6 Flu Immunisation</li> <li>• 25.10.21-29.10.21 – Autumn half term holidays</li> <li>• 31.10.21 – Deadline for applying for Secondary school</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>March 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>November 2021</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 01.11.21 – INSET Day – whole school closed</li> <li>• 02.11.21 – First day of Autumn 2<sup>nd</sup> half term</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>April 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 01.04.22 – Last day of Spring term</li> <li>• 19.04.22 – First day of Summer term</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>December 2021</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 04.12.21 – PTA Winter Market</li> <li>• 17.12.21 – Last Day of Autumn term</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>May 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 30.05.22-03.06.22 – Summer half term holidays</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>January 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 04.01.22 – INSET Day – whole school closed</li> <li>• 05.01.22 – First day of Spring term</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>June 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 06.06.22 - INSET Day – whole school closed</li> <li>• 07.06.22 – First day of Summer 2<sup>nd</sup> half term</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>February 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 14.02.22-18.02.22 – Spring half term holiday</li> <li>• 21.02.22 – First day of Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> half term</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>July 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 21.07.22 – Last day of Summer term</li> </ul>

## **School Bags**

We are pleased to say that Government guidance has now said that children are allowed to bring school bags back into school. Previously it was only for children that attended After School Club, but now it's open to all.

Following this we have now re-activated school bags on School Gateway to be able to be purchased. There are Book bags at £4.50, small rucksacks at £9.50 and large rucksacks for £10.50. These can be found under the 'payments' section on School Gateway.

## **Jewellery and Nail Varnish**

Please remind your children that they are not allowed to wear jewellery or nail varnish while at school. This is for a number of reasons including health and safety, especially during PE, and also in case anything got lost or broken while at school. Children are allowed to wear stud earrings, but nothing that hangs down from the ear. If your child wears a piece of jewellery that is for a religious reason please speak to a member of Senior Leadership Team so that we're aware of the reasons for the jewellery.