Bowerham Update



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Children In Need

Thank you very much for all our donations last week and in the run up to our Brilliant Bowerham Busk and we are very proud to say we raised £3920.76 – well done all.

Secret Friends

On **Thursday 28th November** your child will be given a cracker with a small piece of paper inside which can be removed to reveal the name of your child's secret friend!!

The idea behind Secret Friend is that each child is given the name of a member of their class (which they need to keep secret!), for whom they will buy a gift, and then place under the class Christmas tree in class. Maximum spend £2.00.

Christmas Jumper Swap Shop

Why not Renew, Recycle or Reuse any Christmas jumpers you or child/ren no longer wear or have outgrown? If you have any Christmas jumpers you no longer need, we are looking for donations we can use in preparation for our Christmas Jumper Day, and throughout the Christmas season. Please drop any jumpers off at the school office and from w/c $18^{\rm th}$ November. There is no cost for these, but any donations will be welcome and will go back into helping our families.

Christmas Dinner & Parties

Nursery Will have a Christmas Themed week starting Monday 9^{th} December. Children will be playing Christmas themed games and eating Christmas themed snacks.

KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Will have their party on **Monday 9**th **December**. The party will be in the afternoon, hopefully with a special visitor. Children in these classes can wear their own clothes for this.

LKS2 (Years 3 & 4) Will have their Christmas Dinner and entertainment on **Tuesday 10th December**. Children in these classes can wear their own clothes for this.

LKS2 (Years 5 & 6) Will have their Christmas Dinner and entertainment on **Wednesday 11**th **December**. Children in these classes can wear their own clothes for this.

Reception Will have their party on **Thursday 12th December**. The party will be in the afternoon, hopefully with a special visitor. Children in these classes can wear their own clothes for this.

Uniform

Can we please remind you of our uniform policy especially the jewellery paragraph.

- A small plain silver or gold round stud (no shapes)
 earring can be worn but MUST BE removed on your child's
 P.E. days.
- Parents are requested to have their children's ears pierced at the beginning of the summer holiday so that they have healed for the start of the new year

This can be found in your child's communication diary and on our website:

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Applying for School Places for September 2025

If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

(Please note there will be no paper application forms sent out) It is quick and easy – and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings at your preferred school or attend. The closing dates for applications for September 2025 are 11.59pm on:

15th January 2025 for Primary school applications

Sports

It has been a busy few weeks for our teams and clubs with lots going on, our thanks as always to Miss Lloyd, Mr Essa, Mr Wakeman and Mrs Harris for all that they do to support our children with sport. Thank you also to the parents who transported children to the competitions.

Panto Trip

The Christmas season is fast approaching, and part of our themed activities is the ever-exciting theatre visit to watch the pantomime! This year we are going to the Lowther Pavilion for their performance of Snow White. Details as follows:

Who: children in Reception – Y6 Where: Lowther Pavilion, Lytham When: Monday 2nd December

Times: We will be departing school at 8.30am prompt and be

back for approximately 1.00pm

Cost: £17.30. Please can this be paid via ParentPay by Friday

29th November.

If your child is not going to the performance, they will still have to be in school that morning – if your child is NOT going to the panto can you please write a note in your child's communication diary by Friday 22nd November.

Parents Present Room

Our Parents' Present Room, where your children can purchase small items for you for Christmas, will be held on the following days:

Monday 16th December Tuesday 17th December Wednesday 18th December

Presents are only £1 each – only 2 presents per child.

Inset Day

School will be closed **Friday 6th December** for Inset Day. We re-open on Monday 9th December.

Community Noticeboard

Don't forget to look at our Community Noticeboard – this is where we put links to interesting clubs, fun things to do and local events happening outside of school.

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Miss Austin

One of our teaching assistants - Miss Austin wasn't put off by her September cycle challenge 2024 and signed up for Winter Wheelers 2024.

Riding in winter has tons of benefits for mental and physical health, saves money on commuting, and its way better for the environment.