

# Bowerham Update



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**May you find hope and happiness in life's most simple things and may the love and light of Easter stay with you wherever you go.**



## Reports

Your child's report and achievement trackers will be uploaded at 3.00pm on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April. For Nursery & Reception children these can be found in Observations on your child's Tapestry account; for years 1 – 6, in My Achievements & Progress on their Showbie account.

## Rec – Y6 Open Morning, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

School will be open between **9-10am** for you to come and have a look at your child's work, on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**. The school gates will close at the normal time of 8.45am and re-open again at 9.00am for parents to use their child's normal entrance to enter school.

## Free School Meals (FSM)

As from the end of March this year, the Government are changing the eligibility criteria for free school meals. Any pupil who is eligible for FSM BEFORE 01.04.2025 will stay on FSM and is protected until they **leave the current phase** of their education i.e. primary school. Any pupil who becomes eligible for FSM on or after 01.04.2025 **will be rechecked** every summer around June time. If your child does come off FSM then you will get a letter from LCC telling you that you are no longer eligible, reminding you of the criteria and inviting you to reapply.

## Summer Fair – Keep the Date!

**IT'S BACK!!!** The Bowerham Summer Fair for our local community and Bowerham Family is on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June**. There will be traditional fun fair, games stalls that are designed and run by pupils, and you will be able to be refreshed at our Bowerham Café & BBQ, plus much much more!

Your children can enjoy unlimited turns on these rides with a pre-ordered wristband – more details to follow. The youngest child in each family will come home after the Easter holidays with three books of raffle tickets to sell priced at £1 per ticket. We have some great prizes including:

- Hisense 43 Inch UHD VIDAA Smart TV 43E6KTUK - Dolby Vision, Pixel Tuning, Voice Remote, Share to Youtube, Freeview Play, Netflix and Disney
- Nintendo Switch Bundle
- AquaThermal Journey & Afternoon Tea for 2 at Ribby Hall
- 18" Piranha Edge Bike

Please return the stubs and money in a clearly named envelope to either the class teacher or the school office.

If you have a local business and are happy to sell raffle tickets on the school's behalf, please contact the school office.

If you can help sourcing / donating fantastic raffle prizes the afternoon would be even better; If you can help us please email vouchers to: [schoolsecretary@bowerham.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:schoolsecretary@bowerham.lancs.sch.uk)

## School Photos – 1<sup>st</sup> April

Your child should have come home with their class photo by the start of this week. If you are wishing to order a class photo / yr.6 celebrity squares and would like to qualify for free delivery to school all orders need to be placed by Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

## Non-Uniform Day

We are holding a full non-uniform day on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April** to celebrate the life of Miss Austin. We are asking children to bring in a donation to support two charities that were very close to Miss Austin – Aspire, and Motor Neurone Disease Association. Please dress as colourful as possible.

## Easter Holidays

Reminder that school closes for the Easter holidays on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. We have staggered the school finishing times to ease congestion on the road and in the playground:

- Nursery closes @ 11.45am – there will be no lunch club or afternoon session.
- Gates will open at 1.00pm for reception, and years 1 & 2, with all children being collected by 1.15pm at the latest.
- Year 3 finishes @ 1.10pm
- Year 4 finishes @ 1.15pm
- Year 5 finishes @ 1.15pm
- Year 6 finishes @ 1.10pm

The usual After School Club with Suzannah will run from 1.10 – 4.30pm and is bookable directly with her.

## Help over the holidays

If you are struggling in anyway financially and need food over the Easter holidays, please do not worry, just email Jo Banks [head@bowerham.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@bowerham.lancs.sch.uk) and she can send a referral to our local food bank.

## Teacher Led Clubs

Our teacher-led clubs will **not** be running next half term due to the half-term only being 5 weeks long with two Mondays when school is closed. We are unable to change the days these clubs run due to our staff having meetings on a Wednesday and Thursday after school. Keep a watch out on ParentApp for summer 2 clubs after Easter.

## School Lunches

Our new Spring / Summer menu starts w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> April on week one. To see the menu please use link below:  
[School Meals - Bowerham School](#)

## St George's Day

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April is St. George's Day; to celebrate, if any of our children would like to come to school in their rainbow, brownie, beaver, cub, scout or guide uniform on this day, they are more than welcome.

## Asda Rewards

Thank you to everyone who downloaded the Asda Reward App and nominated our school – we raised £350.05.

## Online Safety

Please look at our Online Safety Newsletters and other valuable advice / tips:

[Online Safety - Bowerham School](#)

## Comic Relief Donations

Thank you so much to everyone who has sent in donations of money towards our Comic Relief Day. In total we raised £341.10.