

Send a Cow Harvest

Thank you for your contributions to the Send A Cow organization. The children have enjoyed wearing non uniform today in exchange for £1 donation for this charity. We have currently raised nearly £100. If you forgot to give your child their £1, we are still accepting donations next week.

Bourn Primary Academy 2 October 2020



Weekly Celebrations

Values certificates

Each week, we award certificates to children who have displayed the school's values of hope, friendship, courage, justice and forgiveness. This week, our certificates were awarded to:

Acorn: Theo and Woody

Willow: Mela and Sam

Hazel: Finley and Maddy

Cedar: Anna and Max

Rosewood: Betty and Rhys

Cherry: Freya and Beau

Maple: Idha and Sanjay



Homework – The Bourn Approach

The requirement to change how we have previously done homework has prompted us to research and review why homework is set and what benefits it has. I will be sending out an email with lots of detail about how we have come to this decision, and the evidence behind it. The headlines are that there will be Essential Homework (maths fluency, reading and spelling) and Optional Homework (topic based activities that can be completed over a half term). Please see the email for much more detail!

Diary Dates

Date	Event
9 October	Hello Yellow Mental Health Day – wear some yellow
20 and 22 October	Parent consultations
26 to 30 October	Half Term
17 November	Flu Vaccinations in School
8 to 11 March	Bikeability

Thank you!

This week, our theme in school has been gratitude. Studies show that finding things to be thankful for is important for our well being, as well as being the 'social glue' that connects people – so important at the moment. I would like to express our profound gratitude for the books that you have donated, through the Amazon Wish List, or via other donations. Every book is a precious gift that enhances a child's education and gives them joy as they read. Thank you also for the offers of help and practical support, and the positive emails you have sent to staff. I would also like to acknowledge the hard work of our Teaching Assistant team, who support the teachers, children and are out on duty for long periods, supervising play.

Other Notices

Absence reporting If your child is ill for any reason, or you need to notify us of self isolation, or a test result, please use the new email address, which can be monitored out of hours.

absencereporting@bourn.cambs.sch.uk.

Online Safety

Did you know that Fortnite is rated 12+? Do you know why? This article from [Net Aware](#), in conjunction with the NSPCC explains more about Fortnite (which it rates as high risk for violence and hatred) and gives advice for parents, including how to set parental controls. We know that a lot of children love playing Fortnite in particular, but also other 12+ games, but they are not good for their emotional development. This website also allows you to find out about other video games. Keeping children safe online is vital.



Outside Rain and Shine! Wrap Up Warm

It has been a mixed bag of weather this week, but as we head into winter, there will be more cold and wet weather. Thank you to parents for ensuring your children have wellies – even Year 5 children like to splash in puddles on their Daily Mile as I saw from my office window today!

In order to ensure our school is well ventilated, we have to have the windows and sometimes doors open, which of course makes the rooms colder. Children need to dress in layers to ensure they can keep warm. Please consider vests or long sleeved tops under their school shirts. Children can wear fleeces in the classrooms, so please make sure they have a coat as well for outside.

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