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NEWSLETTER 8

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Dear Parents/Carers

How quickly this half term has flown by! There have been successful Friday Feasts for Years 5/6 and Years 1/2 - and a wonderful Class Assembly by 3/4 KC last week - thank you for supporting these.

### SCHOOL GATEWAY

You will have all had information last week regarding the School Gateway app. This gives parents the opportunity to make online payments for school trips, via a smartphone app or website.

As well as making online payments, this system will also help us keep in contact with you via email and text for important messages such as cancellation of clubs, trip letters etc.

We hope that the majority of parents sign up to School Gateway so please take time over the next week to visit the website or app. If you are having trouble logging in it may be because we do not have your current email and mobile phone number on record. Please contact the school office if this is the case and we will update the details on our system.

### WORLD BOOK WEEK

Thursday 1 March is World Book Day when we celebrate the joy of books and reading. There will be exciting activities in school throughout the week which will start with a performance by the West End in Schools Theatre Company on Monday 26 February. Friday 2 March will also be "Come as a Character Day" where children (and staff) may come to school dressed as one of their favourite fictional characters! It promises to be a fun-filled week!

### A FEW REMINDERS

#### DOGS

Can we please remind everyone that dogs should not be brought onto school premises. This includes the playgrounds or car park.

### SECONDHAND SCHOOL UNIFORM

Due to the popularity of our secondhand school uniform, we are running low on sweatshirts in the following ages: 7 to 8 and 11 to 12. If you have any good quality, clean jumpers and/or cardigans at home that your child no longer requires please send them in to the office after the half term. Please note that we are not currently able to accept any more polo shirts in any age/size. Thank you, as always, for your support.

*Don't forget to keep checking our website which we update with news, photos and links - [www.bowhill.devon.sch.uk](http://www.bowhill.devon.sch.uk)*

## **LOST PROPERTY**

No sooner do we manage to clear the lost property boxes, then they seem to fill up again! We encourage our pupils to take responsibility for their items - can we ask that you support this at home as well please. To make it easier to return lost property to their owner please clearly name any items that your child brings to school, including lunchboxes and fruit pots.

## **YEAR 6 LEAVERS YEAR BOOK**

Parents/Carers of Year 6 pupils will have received a letter from our PTFA regarding this year's Leavers Year Book. Please complete and return the slip at the bottom of that letter by Friday 23 February. Thank you.

## **LONDON RESIDENTIAL**

The next instalment of £50 is due by Friday 23 February. There are also some outstanding instalments which were due by 19 January - can we ask parents to send these outstanding payments in as quickly as possible. Cheques should be made payable to Bowhill Primary School. Thank you.

A reminder that next week, Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February, is half term. The children return to school on Monday 19 February.

Enjoy the half term break.

Miss Caren Brooks  
Headteacher