



2nd November 2021

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to inform you about the range of parent events coming up in the second half of the Autumn term and the beginning of the Spring term, to which you are warmly invited. Please see the table below.

| Event | Year group | When and where | How to sign up |
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| <p>School Journey Assembly Year 6 family members are invited to watch an assembly on the events that took place during the school journey week. There will be a special video shared at the end of the assembly.</p> | Year 6 Parents | <p>Thursday 4th November 9:10 in the Bottom Hall</p> <p>Friday 5th November 9:10 in the Bottom Hall</p> | Parents will be allocated a date to watch the show via text message. A maximum of 2 family members can attend. |
| <p>Parent Partnership Meetings Learning conversations provide an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and hear how your child has settled and ask any questions you may have.</p> | All Parents | 9 th – 11 th November 2021 - virtually | Book your appointment via School Cloud |
| <p>Phonics Parents' Meeting EYFS This workshop, hosted by the EYFS team and the Deputy Headteacher, is an opportunity to learn some of the 'Read Write Inc.' strategies we use to teach phonics, so you can support your child at home to improve their reading skills as well as enjoy reading.</p> | Reception Parents | <p>Monday 22nd November 9am – 10am in the Bottom Hall and 5:45pm – 6:45pm in the Bottom Hall.</p> | Complete this Google Form |
| <p>Rights Respecting Information Session This will be led by Effie Demetriou. Bowes is becoming a Rights Respecting School! Join this session to find out about what this means and what we are doing at Bowes to protect children's rights.</p> | All Parents | <p>Friday 26th November 2021 9am -10am</p> <p>Live virtual session.</p> | Please click this link to access the virtual session. |
| <p>Phonics Parents' meeting Years 1 and 2 This workshop, hosted by the Assistant Headteacher and the Deputy Headteacher for Key Stage 1, is an opportunity to learn some of the 'Read Write Inc.' strategies we use to teach phonics, so you can support your child at home to improve their reading skills as well as enjoy reading.</p> <p>You will also learn about the details of the Phonics Screening Check which takes place in Year 1 and 2.</p> | Year 1 and Year 2 Parents | <p>Monday 29th November 9am – 10am in the Bottom Hall and 5:45pm – 6:45pm in the Bottom Hall.</p> | <p>Complete this Google Form</p> <p>Click this link for the resources prepared for this meeting.</p> |

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| <p>E-safety - Hosted by Education Child Protection This essential workshop provides parents with an insight into the wide array of apps, games and websites that children are using to complement what they are learning in school. Because we take online safety very seriously, we require all parents to have attended a virtual Parents Online Awareness session. We also encourage parents to use this opportunity to have a refresher, even if you have previously attended one of our workshops.</p> | All Parents | Online sessions will be available from 6 th December to 13 th December 2021 | You will be sent a link to access this session before the event. |
| <p>Dyslexia Parent Workshop Led by the Special Educational Needs Team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is dyslexia and what does it mean? • How do we support children at Bowes? • What strategies can parents use to support their child's reading and spelling at home? | All Parents | <p>Tuesday 14th December 9am - 10am</p> <p>Live virtual session.</p> | Please click this link to access the virtual session. |
| <p>Reception Seasonal Singing Concert Reception Classes' family members are invited to join the children and enjoy a selection of seasonal songs. Bring your handkerchief!</p> | Reception Parents | <p>Thursday 2nd December 9:10am in the Bottom Hall</p> <p>Friday 3rd December 9:10am in the Bottom Hall</p> | <p>Sahara family members to watch the show on the 2nd December 2021</p> <p>Kalahari family members to watch the show on the 3rd December 2021</p> |
| <p>Friends of Bowes Winter Fair Please come and support the school and enjoy some seasonal singing by all the children. There will be a variety of stalls including hot and cold refreshments, Winter Grotto, Christmas trees, festive treats plus many more.</p> | All Parents | Sunday 5 th December 2021 2pm - 6pm in the school playground. | <p>Just turn up!</p> <p>Tickets will be sold at the entrance.</p> |
| <p>Year 2 Show Our Year 2 classes' family members are invited to watch their end of term performance that will link to a Christmas theme.</p> | Year 2 Parents | <p>Thursday 9th December 9:10 in the Bottom Hall</p> <p>Friday 10th December 9:10 in the Bottom Hall</p> | Parents will be allocated a date to watch the show via text message. A maximum of 2 family members can attend. |
| <p>Year 2 SATs Information for Parents This session will be led by the KS1 Assistant and Deputy Headteacher. Come along to this session to learn about the process of the Year 2 SATs, the expected standard and how to support your child at home.</p> | Year 2 Parents | <p>17th January 2022 9am – 10am in the Bottom Hall and 5:45pm – 6:45pm in the Bottom Hall.</p> | Complete this Google Form |
| <p>Year 6 SATs Information for Parents This session will be led by the KS2 Assistant and Deputy Headteacher. Come along to this session to learn about the process of the Year 6 SATs, the expected standard and how to support your child at home.</p> | Year 6 Parents | <p>19th January 2022 9am – 10am in the Bottom Hall and 5:45pm – 6:45pm in the Bottom Hall.</p> | Complete this Google Form |

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| <p>Friends of Bowes Year 1 Welcome Evening Come along, bring a dish or a drink and enjoy an opportunity to get to know the families in your children's classes.</p> | Year 1 Parents | 21 st January 2022 Bottom Hall | Book tickets via the Friends of Bowes Website . |
| <p>Multiplication Check Information for Parents This session will be led by the KS2 Assistant and Deputy Headteacher. Come along to this session to learn about the process of the Year 4 Multiplication Check, the expected standard and how to support your child at home.</p> | Year 4 Parents | 26 th January 2022 9am – 10am in the Bottom Hall and 5:45pm – 6:45pm in the Bottom Hall. | Complete this Google Form |
| <p>Rock Steady Parents are invited to come along and watch the live performances of our very own Rock Steady Bands! The children who attend the Rock Steady club have been working hard to practise a song to perform to you at this event.</p> | All Parents of pupils who attend Rock Steady | Date TBC Bottom Hall | Rock Steady will contact you regarding the date and timings of this event. |
| <p>Steel Pans Performance All children in Year 4 have the opportunity to study the steel pans for a term each. Niagara class will give short performances of their pieces learned this term.</p> | Niagara Class Parents | Date TBC Top Hall | Just turn up on the day! |
| <p>Bring a Grown Up to School Day This is an opportunity to come and see what your children get up to when at school. The session will have a Rights Respecting focus so please come along and join in with these practical learning opportunities.</p> | All Parents | We hope to set a date for this in either the Spring or Summer Term. Whether this event goes ahead or not will be dependent on the Covid-19 situation. | Google Form |

Parents have also been invited to come and watch their child's class assembly and showcases this year. The date for these are shared on the school newsletters close to the time of the event.

We look forward to seeing you during the school term at some of these events!

Best wishes,

Effie Demetriou
Headteacher