Bowes Primary School



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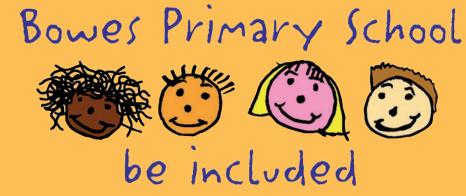




























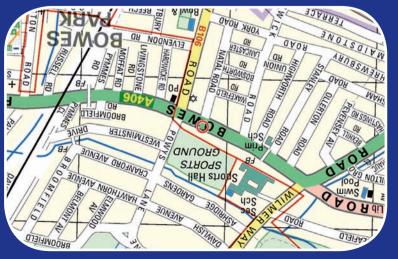














We believe that all children and adults at Bowes will succeed and be equipped to face the challenges of the future by being able to access a creative and inclusive education that promotes the value and enjoyment of learning.

Welcome to Bowes Primary School

Bowes Primary School provides outstanding education for children aged between two and eleven years. All our children are important to us and we delight in seeing them achieve personal excellence in a secure, happy and caring environment that allows them to thrive and reach their full potential. We are an inclusive school and everyone is welcome. We hope the school prospectus captures the ethos of Bowes but we would urge you to come and visit us and experience for yourself a happy and caring atmosphere where staff and children work together.





We work in partnership with parents to achieve best learning outcomes for each child.

We aim to create a welcoming and supportive atmosphere where each individual is valued and respected.

At Bowes we aim to provide an innovative curriculum, which meets the needs of all our children. Our children have opportunities to experience all the areas of the National Curriculum through creative cross-curricular topic work known as 'The Bowes Learning Journey'. The Learning Journey is underpinned by a set of principles for the way things are taught and learnt in the school. Through the Bowes Learning Journey children are encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning. Educational visits and visitors into school are used to broaden the children's understanding of the topics we teach. Children's learning is assessed regularly, so that support and challenge is given where appropriate.

We take great care to enrich learning through first hand and practical experiences. Through the provision of a broad and balanced curriculum we are able to develop and recognise individual talents and interests.



Provide a rich and flexible curriculum which includes full use of new and emerging technologies and effectively meets the individual needs of our pupils.

Encourage all children to be excited about and actively involved in their own learning.



Our continued success is a testament to high quality learning and teaching at Bowes. We are particularly proud of our Global Dimension work, Music and Information Communication Technology (ICT).

Our children are engaged by their learning and this excites their imagination. They enjoy the richness of their learning, not just learning different things but learning in many different ways: out of doors, through play, in small groups, through art, music and sport, from each other, from adults other than teachers, before school, after school, with their families, formally and informally, by listening, by watching and by doing. They develop socially and emotionally. They take pride in their learning and want to do well.

Achieve excellence by promoting creativity through cross curricular activities.

Support all children to become self confident learners and to thrive in their future schools.

At Bowes we make sure that we know each child really well. We want to ensure that everyone enjoys school and feels safe and secure. Visitors to our school often comment on how friendly and happy everybody is. From Nursery through to Year 6, the children's self respect, confidence and ability to work both independently and cooperatively is positively promoted. We teach our children to have self discipline and a sense of responsibility for their own well-being and for that of other people and the environment.

We are part of the national Healthy Schools initiative and actively encourage children to lead a healthy lifestyle. Our school meals are cooked on the premises and provide balanced meals to high nutritional standards.



Provide a safe and secure learning environment for all.



The children's own views and opinions are sought and valued. Suggestions made by the children through the forum of the school council have led to real developments in the school and its environment.

All our staff and governors are committed to developing the whole child. We have a Learning Mentor and Parent Support Advisor who give additional support and guidance to our children and their families.

Parents are important to us at Bowes and we have a strong commitment to develop links between home and school. Regular meetings, parent forums, detailed reports, information events and willingness to seek parents and carers views demonstrate the value we give to these partnerships. We welcome parents to attend their child's class assembly and we hold a weekly achievement assembly which celebrates the achievements of children both academically and socially.

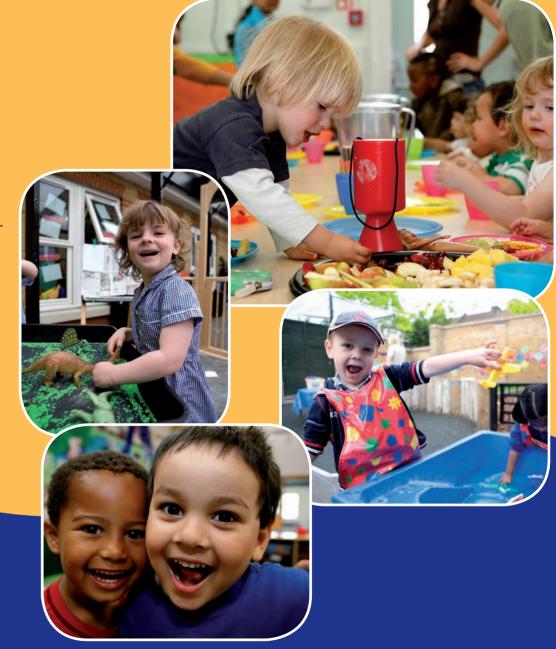
Encourage children to take responsibility for their behaviour and attitudes towards other people and their shared environment.

An extended school

Bowes is an extended school with a Children's Centre, which provides a range of holistic services and activities, often beyond the school day. This helps to meet the needs of children, their families and the wider community. Our extended services include childcare, adult education, parenting support programmes, community-based health and social care services, multi-agency behaviour support teams and after-school activities.

At Bowes we offer integrated early learning and care through Willow Day Care at Bowes which is open 48 weeks of the year from 8am to 6pm and is fee paying for children aged two to five years.

The Bowes Club operates throughout the school year and holidays which provides a breakfast, after-school and holiday club for children attending the school.



Enhance learning by providing high quality extra curricular opportunities and learning experiences beyond the school environment.



Together We Have Fun

At Bowes, we believe that fun and learning should go hand in hand. Children learn better when they are excited and engaged. When there is joy in what they are doing, they learn to love learning.

If you ask our children what they enjoy most about Bowes they will often mention our school trips and a highlight will often be our residential school journeys. These are held annually and are open to everyone in Year 5 and 6.

Events throughout the school year give further opportunities for children to display their talents. Whole school productions with singing, dancing and acting give both children and parents memories that will last forever.

The Friends of Bowes is very active and regularly hold events for children and adults.

Regular newsletters and the school website keep parents and the community up to date with events that are happening at our school.

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