

Year One

Sahara Class

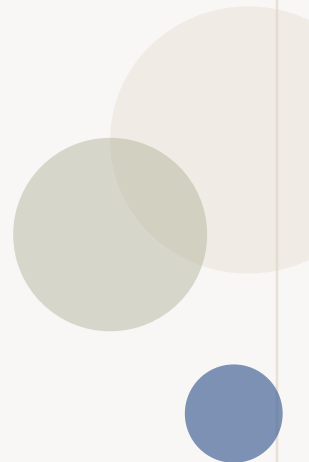
Emma

Kalahari Class

Karen (Monday – Thursday)

Hassan (Friday)

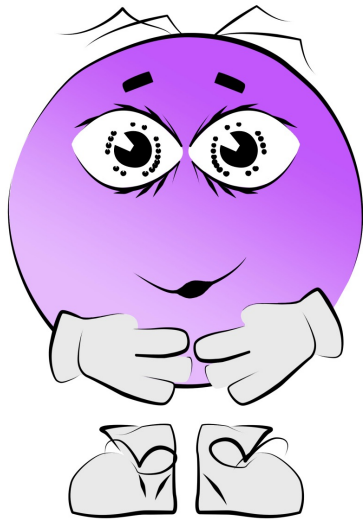
Jane – Shared TA





Bowes Core Values

Resilience



I am the resilient Bebowe.

I persevere and can bounce back even when there is a challenge.

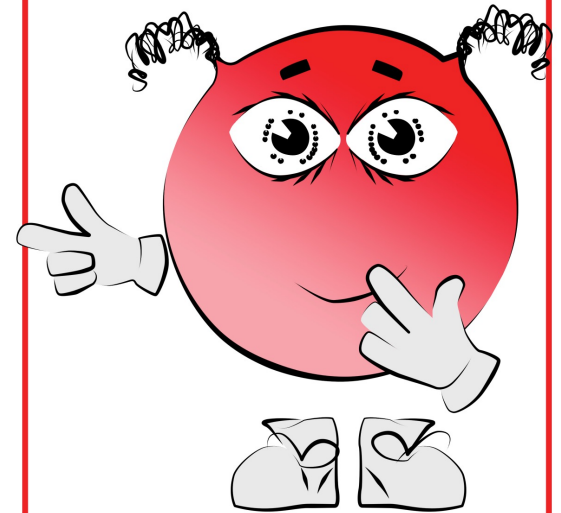
Respect



We are the respectful Bebowes.

We show consideration to those around us and value ourselves and our community.

Responsibility



I am the responsible Bebowe.

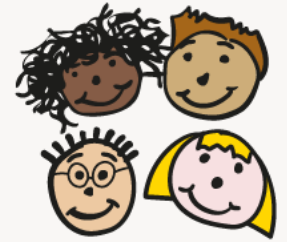
I make the right choices and take responsibility for my own actions.

Attendance and Punctuality



- Registration is at 8:50am
- Please ensure your child is in school in good time
- The doors close at 8:50am
- School attendance is currently one of our priorities
- Please ensure all appointments are booked outside of school hours where possible
- Holidays during term time will strictly not be authorised
- Special requests should be directed to Effie, the Headteacher

School Uniform



- Bowes/blue sweatshirt or cardigan
- Bowes/plain white polo shirt
- Black/grey skirt or trousers
- Black shoes or plain black trainers
- Blue and white checked dress (summer months)
- Black/grey shorts (summer months)

Please remember to label all your child's clothes and belongings.

Active Uniform



Your child is required to wear their active uniform on:

Class	Indoor	Outdoor
Kalahari	Thursday	Tuesday
Sahara	Wednesday	Friday

Active Uniform:

- Bowes/plain white polo shirt
- Plain black/grey shorts for indoor lessons
- Plain black/grey tracksuit bottoms (no logos)
- Black trainers

Please ensure your child does not wear jewellery to school and long hair is tied up.

Please remember to label all your child's clothes and belongings.

Home Learning

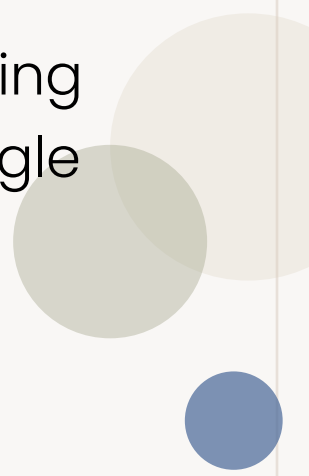
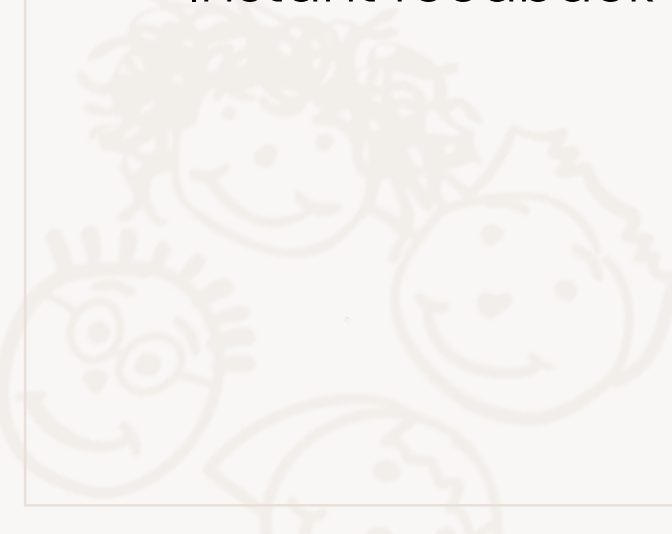


- Each child will have a Home Learning book.
- Home learning grids are sent to children each half term via Google Classroom@School and are placed in their Home Learning Book. The grids can also be found on the Bowes Website in the Classes section.
- A list of spellings will be sent out every week on a Friday. These will be tested on a Friday (after half term).
- All children will have a Read Write Inc book sent home each week. Once they have completed the RWI program, they will receive a variety of different books matched carefully with their phonic acquisition. Children will also have the opportunity to pick a book of their choice from their class library each week. They should read at least 10 minutes a day. Please read regularly with your child and record their progress in their reading record.
- [MyiMaths](#) homework is set weekly on a Thursday.

Chromebooks



- Can be used creatively
- Prepares pupils for the future
- Gives instant access to knowledge
- Encourages individual learning – personalises learning
- Team work - encourage collaboration through Google Suite
- Instant feedback for learning



Additional Chromebook Feedback



To ensure we are keeping the children safe when using their Chromebooks, we use **Senso**, a cloud-based online monitoring and safeguarding software.

Senso effectively detects harmful and inappropriate behaviour on the children's Chromebooks, both in school and at home. If the software detects inappropriate searches or the unacceptable use of language, an email is sent to the Designated Safeguarding Lead and the Senior Leadership Team. This will then be investigated and if appropriate, we will speak to the user involved and contact parents to inform them of the breach if required.

Chromebooks are for the children and should not be used by adults. The school also carries out regular internet browsing checks. 'Search history' cannot be deleted.

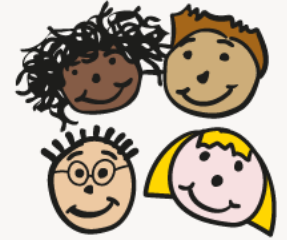
Chromebooks belong to the school and are loaned to the children. They must be treated with care – please refer to the signed agreement.

Do not eat or drink over the Chromebook.

It is important that the children's use of their Chromebook is monitored both at home and school. Please ensure you monitor this at home.

Year 1 Chromebooks will be distributed after the agreement has been sent and signed by the parent.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check



- The Phonics Screening Check is a test which assesses children's level of phonics acquisition.
- There are 40 words which children are expected to be able to read accurately.
- The pass mark has been 32 for the last few years.
- All Year 1 pupils will take the check week commencing 8th June 2026.
- [Please click here](#) for more information on our website.

Curriculum



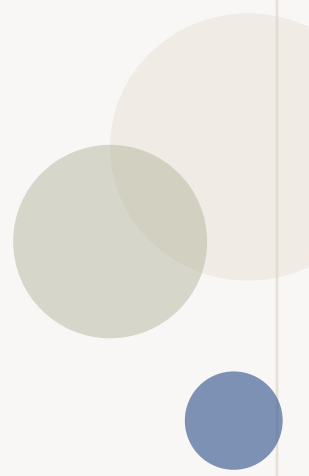
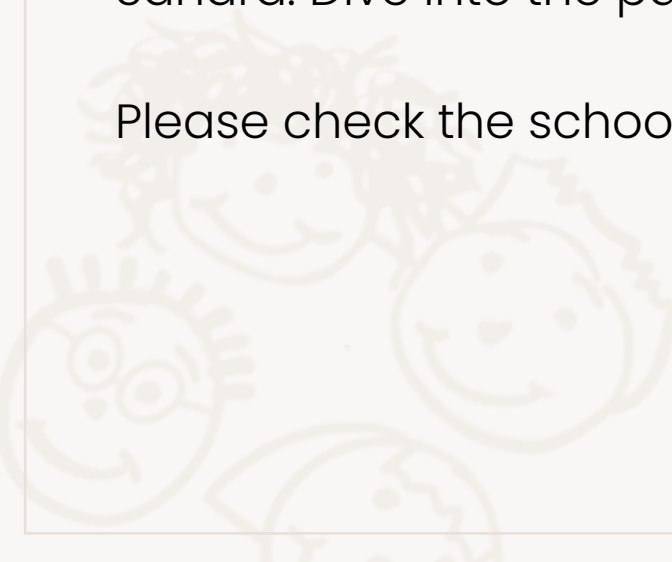
At Bowes we aim to provide a creative and balanced curriculum that meets the needs of all our children.

Our Learning Quest this term is:

Kalahari: History Detectives!

Sahara: Dive into the past

Please check the school website for updates on the curriculum.



Ways to help at home...



Encourage your child to:

- **Read regularly at home**, for at least 20 minutes a day
- Practise spellings on a weekly basis to support work in class
- Carry out Mental Maths challenges often and complete the task set on MyiMaths on a weekly basis.
- Age-appropriate discussions about current affairs.
- Practise handwriting
- Little and often is best.

Additional Information



Please keep us informed of any allergies/medication.

If your child is going to miss school due to an appointment or illness, please make sure you inform the office as soon as possible.

If your child's collection arrangements are different for any reason, please let the office know before the end of that day.

Check the [school website](#) and our Social Media platforms for updates and photographs from events.

If you change your contact details, please inform the office

Our Socials!

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