LATEST NEWS

23RD OCTOBER 2026

REMINDERS

Half-Term
Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

Individual Photographs
Thursday 5th November

POWERFUL VOICES

We have had a wonderful **Powerful Voices Theme Day** today. Everyone looked great and had lots of fun learning about a range of **incredible individuals** who used their voices to make a change.

It was also a lovely opportunity for our **class buddies** to meet up and share their own inspirational people.



Thank you to two of our **Year 6 MPs** for broadcasting a **Powerful Voices launch** from the **Radio Station** in preparation for the day.

We will include a **full article in our next newsletter** to share photos from the day and showcase some of the work completed.

ONLINE SAFETY

Last week, **all the children and staff** attended **Online Safety workshops** delivered by Alan from **ECP Safeguarding**. These annual workshops compliment our ongoing online safety work throughout the year. Thank you Alan for leading our workshops this year and for providing the children with **lots of tips about how to stay safe online**.



As part of the ECP Safeguarding package, **all parents are strongly encouraged to attend an online session** to support **online safety at home**. The **link to access the parent workshop** has been **shared with all parents**.



17 ACCESS TO INFORMATION

STAFFING UPDATE

Today, we said a sad goodbye to **Cleo** and **Sabiha** as they move on to new roles and new adventures. Cleo will be joining the central team at Connect Education Trust, and we wish both her and Sabiha the very best for the future. We would like to thank them both for all their hard work, support, and commitment to Bowes.



BIKEABILITY

29 AIMS OF EDUCATION

31 REST, PLAY, CULTURE, ARTS

Well done to all the **Year 6 children** who took part in **Bikeability training** last week. This is a nationally recognised cycle training programme designed to support children in becoming **more competent cyclists**. They all had great fun **cycling around the playground and beyond**, and now have a better understanding of **how to cycle safely**. Thank you to the **Enfield Cycle Confident instructors** for delivering this valuable training.



FOOTBALL NEWS



Our **Boys' Football Team** was back in action last week playing their final three league matches. The team played brilliantly together, **securing two wins** and—unfortunately—one loss against a side who remain unbeaten. Thank you again to **Phil, Sophie, and Rebecca K.** for accompanying the boys to the matches, and special thanks to the **Laurel Park students** who have been coaching and cheering the boys on!

PHONICS WORKSHOP

Reception and Year 1 parents are invited to a **Phonics and Reading Workshop** on **Thursday 5th November at 9am** in the **Lower Hall.**

The purpose of the workshop is to:

- provide an introduction to **phonics and how phonics is taught at Bowes**;
- share **examples of activities and resources** we use to teach phonics;
- offer ways that you can **encourage and support reading at home.**

Phonics is a key skill in developing a child's reading and writing skills, so it would be great to have as many parents attend as possible. If you are unable to attend, the **presentation will be available to view on the Bowes website** shortly after.



SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

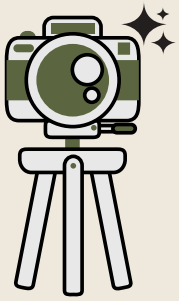
A reminder that the deadline for Secondary School applications is **Saturday 31st October 2026**. All applications must be submitted online at **eAdmissions**. Applications received after this date will be treated as late applications. Please visit our **Secondary Transfer 2027** section on the Bowes website for lots of useful information.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

Talking to children about difficult topics

It is crucial that **every child has a trusted adult** they can turn to for help. There will inevitably be moments when they need guidance or support. Similarly, there may be times when you, as parents, need to navigate **sensitive conversations** - such as delivering difficult news or addressing concerns you have about their well-being.

The **NSPCC offers valuable advice** on how to approach these conversations in an **age-appropriate and supportive way**. However, remember that **you know your child best**, so trust your judgement about what will work for them.



PHOTOGRAPHS

Individual and sibling photographs will be taken on **Thursday 5th November**. Full school uniform is required, including blue sweatshirts/cardigans (black sweatshirts/cardigans for Year 6).

DIARY DATES 2026/2027

26th - 30th Oct	Half Term
5th Nov 2026	Individual Photographs
9th -13th Nov	Year 6 School Journey
23rd Nov 2026	INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED
26th Nov 2026	Year 6 Assembly, 9:10am (Allocated places)
27th Nov 2026	Year 6 Assembly, 9:10am (Allocated places)
18th Dec 2026	School Ends
4th Jan 2027	School Starts
29th Jan 2027	INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED
15th - 19th Feb	Half Term
25th Mar 2027	School Ends
12th Apr 2027	School Starts
30th Apr 2027	INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED
3rd May 2027	BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
31st May-4th Jun	Half Term
28th Jun 2027	INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED
22nd Jul 2027	School Ends

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BOWES



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HALF-TERM HIGHLIGHTS

Autumn

FRIENDS OF BOWES

(Reg. Charity No. 292487)

What's been happening...

WELCOME EVENING

Thank you to everyone who joined us for such a fantastic evening! The room was buzzing with warmth, laughter, and great conversation. We look forward to getting to know each other better and building a wonderful partnership together this year!



YEAR 2 BAKE SALE

Year 2 got year-group bake sales off to a fantastic start raising £335.33

NURSERY AND RECEPTION

We have already committed £900 to new resources for both year groups.

Children are already enjoying using new balancing beam! It's supporting their gross motor skills.





EASYFUNDRAISING

By shopping online, we managed to get £37 this half-term at no cost to the supporters



DO YOU FOLLOW US ONLINE?

BOWES EVENT CALENDAR

WE ARE GETTING CLOSER TO OUR FINAL EVENT OF THE YEAR—THE WINTER FAIR! TO MAKE IT A FANTASTIC DAY FOR THE CHILDREN, WE NEED A LITTLE HELP FROM OUR WONDERFUL SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

DONATIONS TO START COLLECTING:



- BOTTLES: ANY KIND, NOT JUST ALCOHOL!
- SMALL TOYS: FOR THE LUCKY DIP
- JAM JARS & SWEETS: EMPTY JARS, PRE-FILLED SWEET JARS, OR BAGS OF SWEETS



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- **2** START OF OUR CHRISTMAS TREE SALES
- **19** DONATION DAY
- **26** DONATION DAY
- **27** WINTER FAIR NON-UNIFORM DAY
- **29** WINTER FAIR

THE IMPACT OF TURNING YOUR EVERYDAY SHOPPING INTO FREE DONATIONS

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DOES IT REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE, AND HOW MUCH DOES IT RAISE?

Total money raised in Greater London

- £9.7 million since launch in 2025
- £21 average donations per active supporter
- £1.2 million in 2025

Total money raised by FOB

- £3,914 since 2008
- £17 average donations per active supporter
- £173 in 2025

COULD YOU DO SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR BOWES PRIMARY SCHOOL THIS MONTH?

IT WILL ONLY TAKE A FEW MINUTES AND WON'T COST YOU ANYTHING.

Friends of Bowes Primary School - New Southgate need another

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IMPORTANT!

To unlock the next £50

PROMOTION LASTS TILL 1ST OF NOVEMBER

YOU JUST NEED TO GET THE FREE EASYFUNDRAISING APP AND BECOME ONE OF FRIENDS OF BOWES PRIMARY SCHOOL SUPPORTERS,

8 DAYS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



ADOPTIVE PARENTS EDUCATION COFFEE MORNING

Wed 4th November 2026

9:30 - 11:00am

at: West Lea School, Haselbury Road, Edmonton N9 9TT

Come and meet other adoptive parents..

Please email jane.manning@enfield.gov.uk to confirm you are coming.

ENFIELD Council