

Bowes Primary School



Latest News

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Important Updates & Reminders

Half Term

15th – 19th February 2021



Thank You

To the whole school community, we hope that everyone is well and staying safe during this challenging time. We are missing everyone and look forward to having all the children back when it is safe to do so. Please do contact the Bowes Office during this difficult period should you require any help, even if it is simply someone to talk to.

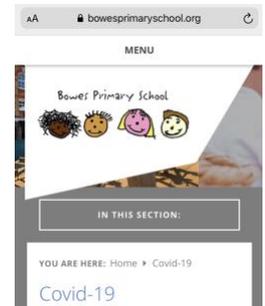
Thank you to the whole staff team who continue to adapt to this new way of working. Everybody has been extremely positive and flexible as we deliver remote learning at home and our in-school provision for children of critical workers and vulnerable families.

Thank you to all our families for their support and patience as we navigate our way through another school closure. Remote Learning has certainly been a steep learning curve for us all and we appreciate the guidance you are providing to your children at home.

Bowes Website

Please keep checking in on the Bowes website as we are regularly adding to our [Covid-19](#) section. We have added lots of guidance and support in our pages dedicated to Chromebooks, Google Classroom and Look@Me.

Our [Useful Websites](#) page has lots of links to great games, activities and resources to support learning at home.



Exercise Books

If you would like to collect an exercise book from school to use for home learning, please visit the school office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays between 10am and 12pm.

Remote Learning

Well done to everybody for embracing our remote learning through Google Classroom and our Nursery Home Learning Packs. The volume of work submitted by the children has been amazing and so lovely to see, please keep it up! We are also very pleased with how many children are joining their class Google Meet sessions each afternoon. This is a time that we are sure the children look forward to each day as an opportunity to see their class adults and friends. This week, we introduced pre-recorded videos prepared by the staff team. We hope that these provide further guidance and support to families whilst learning at home. Again, thank you to the staff team for learning another new skill which enhances the remote learning provided through Google Classroom.

Below is a small selection of some of the fantastic work that has been submitted.



Keeping Children Safe

Due to the current restrictions that are in place, children are likely to be spending more time online. We continue to update our [Online Safety](#) page with lots of guidance and support for parents to ensure children remain safe. When children spend time online they may be exposed to:

- Online abuse
- Cyberbullying
- Sexual exploitation
- Sexting
- Grooming
- Radicalisation

Here are some top tips for ensuring children are safe online:

- Talk to your child about how to stay safe online.
- Tell them never to share personal information, including photos, passwords and their location on social media.
- Tell them never to talk to someone online who they do not know.
- Tell them to report anything that worries or concerns them.
- Tell them not to open messages from people they do not know.
- Ensure parental controls are set in order to block upsetting or harmful content.
- Talk to your child about websites they visit and talk about what is appropriate.
- Explore websites and apps together.
- Ensure your child does not access services and content which are not age appropriate.