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Issue 1

Diary Dates

### School Development 2019-20

Please may we share our main areas of focus this academic year in school:

- We aim for all children to have high aspirations for their future
- We aim to use new and exciting ways of teaching
- We aim to help every child to understand positive and healthy relationships
- We aim to help all children to try their very best to achieve
- We aim to make our curriculum exciting and our learning fun
- We aim to make sure our school is a safe place



### PSQM Award

We are delighted to announce that our school has recently achieved the Primary Science Quality Mark. This prestigious award is achieved by schools who demonstrate expertise in science teaching and leadership. At Bowmandale, it has been recognised that children are engaging with great science both in and outside the classroom.

They are developing positive attitudes towards science, as well as secure scientific understanding and skills.



- 02.10.19 - Mr Taylor Class Assembly at 3pm
- 04.10.19 - Harvest Assembly at 9.15am and 2.45pm
- 07.10.19 - Individual Photograph Day
- 08.10.19 - Mrs French/Miss Havercroft Class Assembly at 3pm
- 09.10.19 - Celebration of Work 3.30pm to 4.30pm
- 14.10.19 - Parents' Evening 3.45pm to 6pm
- 16.10.19 - Parents' Evening 3.45pm to 6.30pm
- 18.10.19 - Annual Conker Final
- 18.10.19 - Break up for half term
- 28.10.19 - School re-opens
- 30.10.19 - Halloween Disco

### PE Kit

Please may we remind families that all children should have their PE kit in school all week. This ensures that all children can participate in PE lessons (even if we need to change days to accommodate other school events). There are a few children in each class who are regularly asking to borrow kit from school and we only have a very limited supply. Please could all children with earrings provide earring tape to ensure these can be covered safely?



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Please may we ask that you inform the school if any information held by the school changes e.g. telephone numbers.

### Twitter

Our school is connected! Please follow us on Twitter as we use this social media tool to share, connect and collaborate with the world around us. We will use it to share snippets of our work, learning and life at school, but mainly to open the audience for our children's work. We feel that this platform will enable the children to communicate with experts outside of our school building, whether that be famous authors, artists, scientists, sportsmen or women. We hope you share our excitement in this new journey!



### Harvest

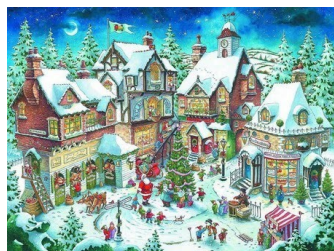
We will be celebrating Harvest in school next week. As part of the assembly we will have a "Harvest Table".



If you wish to make a donation to the "Harvest Table" please send it in on Thursday 3rd October. Tins, packets and fresh produce will all be gratefully accepted. After the assembly all the food donations will be donated to the local food bank.

### Concert Changes

Please may we share that after consultation with the School Council, we are making some changes to our school concerts this year. EYFS and KS1 will continue to do their concerts in December, sharing the traditional Christmas story.



Year 3/4 will now host a Carol Concert in December where they will perform traditional carols by candlelight.

Year 5/6 will now participate in a performance in the Summer term.

### ICT 360 Award

We are proud to announce that Bowmandale has just achieved the 360 Degree Online Safety Mark. To achieve this award, we had to show that we provide a high standard of online safety education and awareness for all members of the Bowmandale community by reaching a series of benchmark levels. At the end of the summer term an assessor visited the school to review our application and met with staff, parents, carers, governors and pupils.



Following her visit, the assessor reported that 'there is a real sense of a whole school approach to online safety at Bowmandale,' and that 'pupils and staff are clearly passionate about online safety.' She commended the Digital Ambassadors and said 'they are an inspiration and they play an immensely important role in educating future citizens.' We would like to thank everyone who has helped us to raise awareness of online safety for children both in school and at home.

### Get Stepping

Last year, we were excited to join in with a new competition between North Lincolnshire Schools called Let's Get Stepping. Over the year, we were challenged to walk as much as possible, with 6 children collecting steps on Fitbit each week. Every class had a turn and we racked up a whopping 3.8 million steps, meaning we were crowned the champions!



Well done to all the children who took part.

### Artsmark

We are delighted to share that we have recently achieved an Artsmark award at silver level.



This is an award that recognises our dedication and commitment to the arts and cultural education. We are now going for gold...

### Halloween Disco

Our annual Halloween Disco will be held on Wednesday, 30th October. A flier will be out soon sharing further details.



EYFS & KS1 3.45pm - 4.45pm

KS2 5pm - 6pm

### A Date for December

Please can we share that the whole school will be attending Aladdin at the Baths Hall, Scunthorpe on Friday, 13th December 2019.

More details will follow before the date..... Oh no they won't.....Oh yes they will!!

