

## ISSUE 7

MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

### Attendance Update – Term 1

We are keen that every child attends school regularly and frequently. There is clear evidence that children with poor attendance do not achieve as well as those who have good attendance. The table below shows the attendance for each year group, and for the whole school, from the start of the year until the end of Term 1. **Our school target is at least 96% attendance:**

Nursery	98.5%
Reception ( <i>Butterflies</i> )	95.1%
Year 1 ( <i>Foxes and Squirrels</i> )	97.1%
Year 2 ( <i>Badgers and Hedgehogs</i> )	97.4%
Year 3 ( <i>Kangaroos and Koalas</i> )	96.3%
Year 4 ( <i>Giraffes and Zebras</i> )	98.6%
Year 5 ( <i>Leopards and Panthers</i> )	96.3%
Year 6 ( <i>Eagles and Hawks</i> )	97.5%
<b>Overall:</b>	<b>97.2%</b>

This is a fantastic start to the year! Thank you for all your efforts to have your children in school, please keep it up – we could smash the target!

### Rewarding Good Attendance and Punctuality



In Fang's family Giraffes had the best attendance, while Koalas were the most punctual class.



Zebras were the best attenders in Miss Lilac's family (100% attendance!), and Panthers were the most punctual class.



Well done to all four classes!

### Parent Consultations

The signing-up sheets for parents to book their Parent Consultation slots are now available at the front of the school before and after school. The meetings will take place on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November and as usual, we will be offering all our appointments between 2.30 and 8.00pm. Please remember that children are always invited to attend these meetings with their parents or carers.

### This Year's House Captains

I'm very pleased to introduce our new house captains:

<b>Centaur</b>	Katelynn	Patryk
<b>Dragon</b>	Yi Ming	Lily-May
<b>Gryphon</b>	Efisio	Ravi
<b>Minotaur</b>	Alisha	Jasmine
<b>Phoenix</b>	Suraizah	Rudi
<b>Unicorn</b>	Jake	Polly

When choosing our house captains, we look for children who really embody the values we want for all Bourne learners. As we have such wonderful Year 6 children, it has been very hard to pick them. We do ensure that all Year 6 pupils do have a responsibility outside of their classroom – for example being an assembly monitor, etc.

### Year 6 Athletics Event

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 18 Year 6 children went to Hailsham Community College to take part in the South Downs Sportshall Athletics competition. There were a range of track and field events and each child took part in at least two.

The children behaved impeccably and should be so proud of themselves for the effort they made and their team spirit. Although we came 12<sup>th</sup> overall, we did win some events on the day which was fantastic.

### House Points for this Week

House points are given for good behaviour, helpfulness, responsibility etc. Each week, a cup is given to the house with the highest number of points.

<b>Minotaur</b>	146	points
<b>Centaur</b>	141	points
<b>Gryphon</b>	140	points
<b>Phoenix</b>	135	points
<b>Dragon</b>	129	points
<b>Unicorn</b>	113	points

Well done **Minotaur!**

### School Photos

The school photos are looking really good. Any orders for photographs should be returned by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Anyone wishing to have a retake of their child should speak to Mrs Bannister, the retakes will take place in the Music Room on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

### Appropriate Clothing

With the weather being so much colder and wetter, it is important that the children have a warm, **named**, waterproof jacket for playtimes and lunchtimes. Also, the timetable for most year groups includes outdoor P.E. lessons, and the children will need a named tracksuit to wear during outdoor P.E. lessons, which continue in all but the wettest of weathers.

### Applications for Nursery

Mrs Bannister is now dealing with applications for admission to Nursery in January. These places are open to any children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015. Please see Mrs Bannister if you would like to apply for a place.

### Meetings for Potential New Parents

We are inviting any prospective parents for Nursery or Reception at Bourne next year to visit us on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November. We will be holding talks and tours of the school at 9am and 1.30pm and a talk and presentation at 6.00pm. Please spread the word!

### Diary Dates

- **Odd Socks Day for Anti-bullying Week**  
*Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November*
- **Anti-bullying Week**  
*Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November*
- **Eagles Class Assembly**  
*Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 9am*
- **Parent Consultations for Nursery to Year 6**  
*Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November*
- **School tours for future parents**  
*Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November (9am, 1.30pm and 6pm)*
- **Panthers Class Assembly**  
*Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 9am*
- **FOBSA Christmas Fair**  
*Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November*
- **End of Term 2 - school ends at the usual time**  
*Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December*

### EAL Parents' Coffee Morning

Do you speak a different language at home? Please come to our coffee morning, which will take place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November, from 8.45-9.20am in the Music Room. Babies and young children are welcome.



- Tea / coffee will be available
- A chance to meet other parents, and ask questions
- This will be a chance to find out about:
  - What is going on this term
  - Attendance information

We would love to see you there!

### SIMS Parent App Lite



You will hopefully be aware that we have introduced SIMs Parent Lite - a simple way to collect, manage and handle information by obtaining accurate data securely from you.

The app has now gone live. Please download it to access data collection sheets and keep school up to date with telephone numbers etc.

### Triple P Parenting Workshops



Positive Parenting Program

A reminder about the Triple P courses we are offering this term in the Community Meeting Room. We ran some last year, and earlier this year and they were really well received:

- **Managing Fighting and Aggression** will take place between 9 and 11am on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November
- **Hassle Free Outings** will take place between 9 and 11am on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December



### Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day

A reminder that next week is National Anti-bullying Week. In order to raise the profile of anti-bullying, we would like the children to come in wearing odd socks on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November. For that day only, we will let them wear socks of any colour or pattern – as long as they are odd!

We are not asking the children to pay anything when they do this – it's just a fun way to raise awareness and launch this important week.

