## **BOWER GROVE SCHOOL**



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Dear Parents & Carers,

I would like to thank all parents and carers for all your kind donations and support with our fundraising projects in December including the Christmas fair. We were delighted to hear the final figure of £4,243 which will go towards our Sensory Quad project due to be worked on from Easter. I would like to mention a big thank you to our PFTA team who worked tirelessly on all these events.

We have changed the date of our Summer Fair as a result of GCSE examinations being over a longer period of time. The Summer Fair will now be on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July from 4.30pm to 6.30pm.

I would like to draw your attention to the adaptions we have made to our Anti-bullying policy which is now on our website <a href="www.bower-grove.kent.sch.uk">www.bower-grove.kent.sch.uk</a>. In line with our Anti-Bullying Policy 2022/23, school staff will not tolerate bullying and will challenge any incidents of bullying witnessed or reported between members of the school community. The adaption will mean pupils will receive warnings after any incidents and then our card system will be used to respond swiftly. Staff will inform parents and carers by phone after the first incident followed by a letter and a meeting in school if such incidents continue. Please be reassured that the adaption to our practices and policy is designed to act swiftly against any bullying that will not be tolerated in school and your help to support us is appreciated.

Please ensure that children have a winter coat which they may wear in school. Please ensure it is named.

In the event of a school closure, due to snow or bad weather, please check the Kent Closures website on <a href="https://www.kentclosures.co.uk">www.kentclosures.co.uk</a>.

A text will also be sent to parents, please ensure we have the most up-to-date telephone number for you.

We are looking forward to our STEM focus day on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January where our pupils will explore and learn about a planetarium in school.

Please remember all parents and carers are invited to our Parent Support Group which is on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 10am. Mrs Green will be talking to everyone about 'Attachment Theory'. Please contact reception to confirm your attendance.

Kind regards,

Mrs M Cleave

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