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5th February 2021

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your continued efforts to support your child's learning, whether in school or at home. The standard of work pupils are producing is extremely good. Pupil engagement with learning at Bower Grove is very high. Well done.

Parent/Pupil Survey

Thank you for responding to our feedback survey. The survey is now closed. We will be analysing your feedback and will inform you next term about how we can further improve our school.

Safer Internet Day

Do watch the assembly today from Mr Cooke which promotes the importance of using the internet safely. The National Safer Internet day is Tuesday 9th February.

Fundraising

The PFTA are continuing their Fundraising efforts to help the school purchase a new school vehicle. This term we have two lovely Hampers for you to win. The number are £1 each. The lucky winning numbers will be drawn at the end of the day on Thursday 11th February.

You can still enter, even if your child is not in school as you now have the option to pay via ParentPay as well as sending in cash. If you are not yet activated on ParentPay, please call the school office and we will be able to set this up for you. Good Luck Everyone!!

Rewards Afternoon

We will not be having our pupil rewards afternoon on Tuesday 9th February as planned. We hope that we will be able to have an extra special rewards afternoon next term when hopefully most children will be back in school and able to take part.

F & T Challenge

Please get involved in the weekly F&T Challenge set by Mr Fawcett and Mr Taylor. Children can do this as a break between learning and if you send some evidence, even an email, your children can earn house points for taking part. This week we want to hear about your "trick shot skills". Please watch the video on our Youtube channel.

Free School Meals

For familied entitled to free school meals, I am pleased to confirm that vouchers will be provided to cover the half term holidays period.

Homework Project

I hope you will enjoy the fun and active homework project that all the family can get involved in. There will be a prize for Primary and Secondary winners as well as lots of house points.



Our homework project this half term will start a bit earlier than usual. It will be a two-week competition using an app called GooseChase (on Apple app store and Google Play). Participants will be given a variety of missions that can earn you points. You can play on your own or as part of the household (one device per person linked to the school). Examples of missions could include saying the alphabet backwards; building a sock pyramid; spelling your name in sign language; solving a puzzle; making a paper aeroplane or playing noughts and crosses! You can earn bonus points when you have tried extra hard on your mission. There will be prizes for the top 3 in each competition (Primary; Secondary and Staff). You can enter at any point. Entering the game/competition after the 8th February will not disadvantage you, but the competition will finish on the 21st February.

If you would like to participate please complete this form: https://cutt.ly/lkfXkhN (or the QR code) to register your interest with the school - we will then give you simple instructions and a joining code.

I do hope you are able to enjoy some fun activities out and about during the holidays as the lockdown restrictions continue.

Snow

The weather forecast has indicated the possibility of snow next week. Should the need arise to close the school, online lessons will continue as usual.

A text will be sent to parents and please remember to check https://www.kentclosures.co.uk

We will be sending out our end of term newsletter next week.

Stay safe everyone, Yours sincerely,

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Mrs L Salter Headteacher