

# BOWER GROVE SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to welcome myself to you as the new Headteacher of Bower Grove School. It is a privilege to have been appointed and I look forward to bringing my 14 years of Bower Grove experience to the role. I would like to introduce the new leadership team and look forward to working closely with you .

## **New Leadership Team**

Mrs Cleave - Headteacher

Ms Brackstone – Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Candy – Assistant Headteacher for Key Stage 1 (Years R-3)

Mr Jacobs - Assistant Headteacher for Key Stage 2 (Years 4-6)

Mr Evans - Assistant Headteacher for Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9)

Miss Higgins - Assistant Headteacher for Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11)

Welcome to all our pupils and thank you for your efforts to ensure pupils look smart and ready to learn.

## **Communication**

It would be very helpful to have an up-to-date email address to help us communicate with all of our parents. Please can you inform the school office if you have new contact details or provide us with an email communication by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

## **School Photographer**

The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September. The photographer will be taking individual and class photographs. Please make a note of this and ensure your child is smartly dressed on this day.

## **Parents, Friends and Teachers Association**

The AGM for our School PFTA will be held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 3.30pm. You are very welcome to join this friendly group who organise the fund raising events for our school. If you wish to attend, we can provide childcare for the duration of the meeting if given prior notice.



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### ParentPay

This is our cashless system to enable parents/carers to make payments to the school 'online'. Payments can be made in this way for school lunches and all trips and activities e.g. swimming, as well as payments towards residential trips. This reduces the need for cheques and cash being brought into school and make payments much easier for you.

Parents with pupils that have joined the school in September will have received a letter with an activation code. Please follow the instructions on this letter to enable your account. There will still be the opportunity to continue with cheques and cash should this be your preferred option.

### Parents Evening

Parents Evening will be Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 3.30-6.30pm for pupils in Frogs, Hedgehogs, Foxes, Badgers, 7L, 7S, 8F, 8V, 9D and 9L only. These will be an option for virtual meetings and further information will follow.

### Easy Fundraising

The PFTA have signed up Bower Grove School to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bowergrove>. Please use this link to do your online shopping and a small donation goes towards the Bower Grove fund.

### Vaccines

Flu vaccinations will take place on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September** for all pupils. Further information will follow.

### School Uniform

We thank and encourage all parents and Carers to name all items to enable staff to return items quickly. We have been notified by our uniform provider "Brigade" that any outstanding orders should be dispatched over the next few weeks. You can order from [www.brigade.co.uk](http://www.brigade.co.uk) and request for free delivery to the school. We have some stock in school including polo and sweatshirts. If you wish to purchase any items please send cash in a marked envelope and give to your escort if your child is on transport to hand into reception.

We look forward to all pupils having a very happy and successful school year.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs M Cleave

Headteacher