# Boorley Park News and Updates





# Goodbye!

My last news and updates to you all....

Thank you to everyone for all of your support over the last five years. It's been quite a journey starting in September 2019 in a classroom at Wellstead with 22 pupils (and just Miss Ozanne, Miss Kinchin, Mrs Batchelor, Mrs Hayles and Billy on the staff) to where we are now with 263 pupils and 37 staff. It has been a privilege to open a new school for the community, with such happy and caring pupils who are so enthusiastic about their school. Walking past my office, most of you will have seen my 'happy wall' —a wall of photos from the last five years that make me smile every time I look at them. It reminded me every day of our core purpose—giving your children the very best start in life—and it has been a huge pleasure watching your children grow and develop. Seeing so many of them love books and reading as much as I do has made me incredibly proud.

Thank you for all of your support; I know it hasn't always been easy and I know many of you took a huge risk in sending your child to a school that wasn't yet fully established. I thank all of you for being part of the start of Boorley and wish you and all of your children the very best for the future. I know the school is in safe hands with Miss Cunningham for the next steps on the journey.



Mrs Sillars

# A second goodbye..

Today we also say goodbye to Miss Gill who has been working alongside Mrs Hayles in Acorns since September. She has done a brilliant job of helping to run our wraparound care and we thank her for her hard work and dedication as she moves on to new challenges.

# Happy Easter

We hope that you all have a wonderful Easter and a lovely break.

We look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 15th April 2024.

# Early Years Outside Area

The Year R team are working hard to develop their outside area and are keen to try to reuse unwanted materials as much as possible. They are looking for any of the following:

- Crate covers (to make planters)
- Cable reels
- Pots and pans
- Old kitchen utensils
- Funnels
- Watering cans
- Plant pots
- Seeds and soil
- Logs
- Gravel
- Pipes and guttering



They have lots of exciting ideas for their outdoor area and need help with setting it up. If you or anyone you know is able to support them, please do speak to the school office or the Year R teachers.

#### **PTA News**

The Boorley Park PTA invites families to take part in our 2024 challenge.

During the Easter holidays children can plan their own way to raise £20.24. They can take part individually, with friends or as a family. How they raise the money is entirely up to their fantastic imaginations.

They could use the number 24 to inspire them. For example, 24km completed on their bike over the Easter holidays, helping their family with 24 jobs, reading for 24 minutes a day. Maybe your child sees themselves as Alan Sugar's next apprentice and they would like to organise a cake sale, sell some old toys, or create some fantastic artwork to sell to family members.

£20.24 is our target but there is no minimum amount needed to join in, and no maximum should you raise more. There will be a certificate for everyone who takes part.



The challenge will run throughout the Easter holidays and all money raised should be returned to your class teacher by Monday 22nd April. Please include your child's name, class and details of the activity. Good luck and have fun.

Please share any 2024 challenge photos or updates on our PTA Facebook page. Just search Boorley Park PTA on Facebook.

We can't wait to see the brilliant ideas your children come up with.

Boorley Park PTA



Drop off point Boorley Park Sports Hall car park 8am - 9am

Friday 19th April

We kindly ask for the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE. Men's, Ladies and Children's clothing Shoes, Hats, Handbags, Jewellery, Soft Toys and Household Bedding

# Dates for Your Diaries-2023-2024

# Whole School

#### Spring Term 2024

• Friday 29th March—Friday 12th April—Easter Holidays

#### Summer Term 2024

- Monday 15th April—First Day of Summer 1 Half Term
- Friday 19th April—PTA Bag 2 School Day (Non Uniform Day)
- Monday 6th May—Bank Holiday (School Closed to Pupils)
- Friday 17th May—Pyjamarama (come to school in your pyjamas)
- Friday 24th May—Last Day of Summer 2 Half Term
- Monday 27th—Friday 31st May—Half Term
- Monday 3rd June—First Day of Summer 2 Half Term
- Monday 24th June—INSET Day School closed for pupils
- Tuesday 23rd July—Last Day of Term
- Thursday 24th July—Monday 2nd September Summer Holidays
- Tuesday 3rd September—First Day of Autumn Term 1

# Year R

- Wednesday 17th April—Visit from the PDSA
- Tuesday 7th May—2:45pm—Planting Workshop with parents
- Friday 21st June—9am-12pm-Mill Cottage Farm Experience in school more details to follow

### Year 1

- Wednesday 15th May—Royal Festival and Dress Up Day (inc parent event at 2:45pm)
- Thursday 6th June—Trip to Portchester Castle more details to follow
- W.c. 10th June—Statutory Year 1 Phonics Screening (more details and parent information event to follow)
- Rabbit Class Monday 15th July—9:15am—Celebration Assembly for Parents
- Otter Class Tuesday 16th July—9:15am—Celebration Assembly for Parents



# Dates for Your Diaries—2023-2024

#### Year 2

- Wednesday 24th April—Trip to Sea City Museum
- Hedgehog Class—Thursday 23rd May—2:45pm—Art Gallery for parents
- Fox Class—Friday 24th May—2:45pm—Art Gallery for parents
- Thursday 6th June—Habitat Hunt in school (for children only)
- Hedgehog Class Wednesday 17th July—9:15am—Celebration Assembly for Parents
- Fox Class Thursday 18th July—9:15am—Celebration Assembly for Parents

#### Year 3

- Deer Class Tuesday 21st May—2:30pm—Magnets Workshop with parents
- Mouse Class Wednesday 22nd May—2:30pm—Magnets Workshop with parents
- Friday 14th June—2:30pm—Family Picnic

### Year 4

- Monday 20th May– 2:45pm—Parent Event (TBC)
- W.c. 3rd June—Statutory Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (more details and parent information event to follow)
- Tuesday 9th July- 2:45pm—Parent Event (TBC)