

BOORLEY PARK NEWS OCTOBER EDITION

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

It has been a very busy and exciting start to the new academic year and I cannot quite believe the first half term is almost complete!

This month, as a school, we have been celebrating Black History month, please do read on to find out more and look at your child's SeeSaw account to see how this has been marked in children's learning.

Trips have also begun this half term with our Year 6 children have had a brilliant time at Avon Tyrrell. They have been fantastic representatives of Boorley, showing amazing team work, resilience and even giving staff a little bit of sleep! Year 5 are off to the Science Centre today for a hands-on practical out of space experience! Our Year R children will soon be exploring the local community with a trip to the park next week!

Secondary School is on the horizon for our Year 6 children as they enjoyed the opportunity to look around both Wildern and Deer Park schools over the last few weeks. A gentle reminder that secondary school applications are currently open and close on 31st October.

It has already been wonderful to see so many parents attending school events such as our Phonics Workshops in Year R and 1, as well as pupil-led workshops such as Year 3's beautiful Banksy art gallery which displayed the very impressive artwork which the children thoroughly enjoyed creating and presenting.

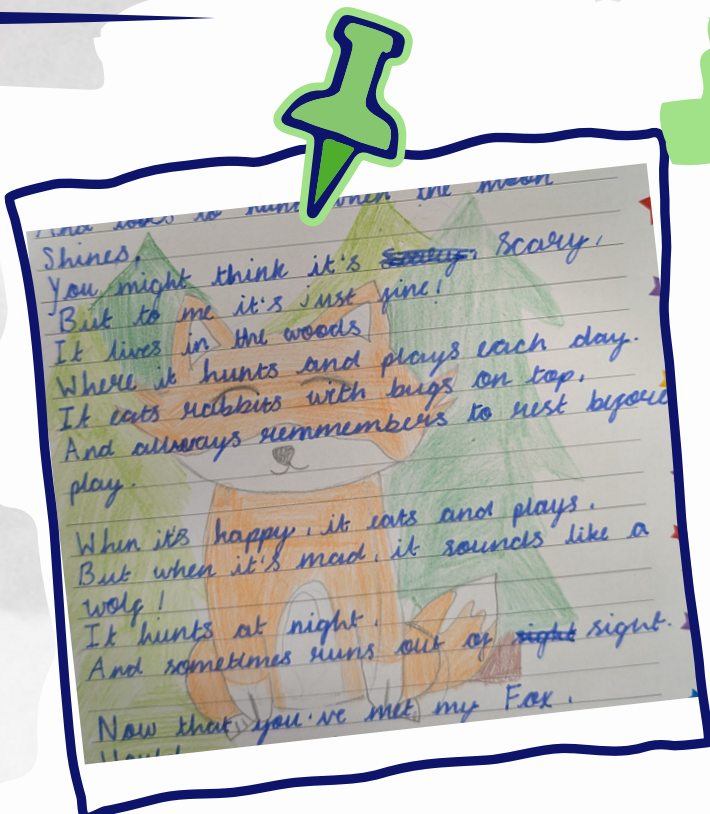
We look forward to welcoming you into school again next week for Parents' Evening for you to meet with your child's class teacher. Please look out for the stations around the school with staff members and flyers available with signposts to particular areas of support.

With warm wishes, Miss Cunningham



INSPIRING MINDS

After working alongside Mrs Crawford at the beginning of term, staff are working hard to ensure learning is enquiry based with strong questioning that encourages the children to evaluate their own thinking and reason with each other. It has been lovely to see this becoming embedded in and beyond our 'Let's Think' lessons. We are already seeing children enjoy the challenge of deeper thinking, excited to explore and investigate further. All children have created inspiring poetry outcomes with some fantastic, practical and talk-based learning experiences along the way. Do look in the children's English books next week to see the outcomes of this!



NURTURING FUTURES

We have been working in partnership with the NSPCC as part of our 'Nurturing Futures' school value. The NSPCC has lead workshops with the children in Years 2, 5 and 6 to empower them with crucial knowledge about keeping themselves safe and knowing who to talk to if they are worried. These sessions cover topics like understanding different types of abuse and the importance of speaking out, using the NSPCC's 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' programme. Additionally, important messages about child safety and well-being have been shared with the whole school through special assemblies, ensuring all children benefit from the NSPCC's expert guidance. We want to continue to ensure we work together in partnership with you to foster a safe, supportive environment where the children feel comfortable communicating how they are feeling.

The NSPCC logo is a green circle with the letters 'NSPCC' in white, bold, sans-serif font. It is set against a light grey background with a dark blue hand-drawn border. A green diagonal stripe is visible in the top right corner.

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY

Throughout the Autumn Term, the school value in the spotlight is 'Strengthening Community'. Each year group has been focused on positive role models and throughout October, these have been linked to Black History Month. In assemblies, children have learned about influential figures, both current and historical. In addition to this, each year group has focused on an influential figure. Key Stage 2 children did a fantastic job of presenting everything they had learned about to the other children in assembly.

Year R have looked at Alma Thomas and recreated some of her art work. In Year 1, children learned about the impact of Mary Seacole on the Crimean War. Year 2 have studied the book 'Hey You' by Dapo Adeola which is an empowering celebration of growing up black. They have used this to inspire their artwork. In Year 3, children found out how Marcus Rashford has supported disadvantaged children and families. Year 4 have enjoyed learning about Bob Marley, Year 5 investigated how Katherine Johnson and the Hidden Figures shaped the influence of black people and females in science and Year 6 have studied different black musicians such as Tracy Chapman.

Children will continue to have access to the field at playtime over the Autumn and Winter months so please send them in with a coat, wellies and waterproof trousers if you are concerned about them coming home a little muddy!



SAFEGUARDING NOTICES

The safety and well-being of your children remains our absolute priority. We would like to remind all parents about the importance of online safety. As children spend time on devices, please continue to have open conversations with them about what they view, who they talk to online and the importance of keeping personal information private. As always, if you have any concerns about your child's well-being or a safeguarding matter, please don't hesitate to contact our Designated Safeguarding Leads Miss Ozanne and Mrs Carpenter.



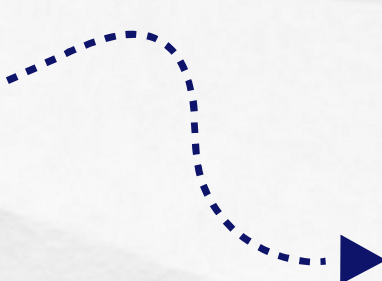
KEY DATES

October 2025

Monday 20th October - Year R walk to the local park
 Monday 20th October - 3:15p-4:15pm Book Fair
 Tuesday 21st October - 3:30-7:00pm - Parents' Evening
 Wednesday 22nd October - 9:30am Year 3 Local walk
 Wednesday 22nd October - 3:30-5:30pm - Parents' Evening
 Last day of Autumn 1 Term - Friday 24th October 2025
 Half Term Dates - Monday 27th October 2025 to Friday 31st October 2025

November 2025

Monday 3rd November 2025 - First Day of Term
 Tuesday 4th November - Year 6 trip to see King Lear at the Mayflower theatre
 Monday 10th November - Anti-bullying Week - Odd Socks Day
 Tuesday 11th November - Remembrance Day
 Wednesday 12th November - Year R visit to the library and park-Ladybird Class
 Thursday 13th November - Year R visit to the library and park-Butterfly Class
 Friday 21st November - Children in Need
 Monday 24th November - Year 5 Residential Trip to Stubbington
 Friday 28th November - INSET Day - School closed to pupils



KEY DATES CONTINUED

December 2025

Wednesday 3rd December - Rocksteady Concert to parents of Rocksteady children
Thursday 4th December - 3:00pm - Year 5 Parent workshop TBC
Friday 5th December - Listen 2 Me concert to parents
Monday 8th December - 2:30pm Year 3 Parent workshop - sewing
Tuesday 9th December - 9:30am - KS1 show-more details to follow
Wednesday 10th December - 2:30pm KS1 show-more details to follow
Friday 12th December - Christmas Lunch
Friday 12th December - Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 15th December - 9:30am Nativity show-more details to follow
Tuesday 16th December - 2:15pm Nativity show-more details to follow
Wednesday 17th December - Christmas carols
Wednesday 17th December - 2:55pm Year 2 parent workshop - Design Technology

Friday 19th December - Last Day of Term

Monday 22nd December 2025 - Friday 2nd January 2026 - Christmas Holidays

January 2026

Monday 5th January 2026 - First Day of Term
Monday 19th January - 3:00pm Year 5 parent workshop - TBC
Tuesday 27th January - 9:30am Year 4 Wren Class parent workshop in the hall
Wednesday 28th January - 9:30am Year 4 Owl Class parent workshop in the hall
Thursday 29th January - Year 2 Trip to Blue Reef Aquarium

February 2026

Monday 2nd February - 3:00pm Year 3 parent event listening to stories
Thursday 5th February - 3:00pm Year 1 parent event- art exhibition
Friday 6th February Year 4 trip - Winchester Cathedral
Friday 6th February - 2:45-3:15pm Year R parent workshop Someone special
Monday 9th February - 3:30-7:00pm Parents' Evening
Tuesday 10th February - 3:30-5:30pm Parents' Evening

Tuesday 10th February 2026 - Last Day of Term

INSET Day - Wednesday 11th February 2026

Inclusive Half Term Dates - Thursday 12th February - Friday 20th February 2026

Monday 23rd February 2026 - First Day of Term

March 2026

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day - more details to follow
Wednesday 11th March - Rocksteady Concert
Friday 13th March - 3:00pm Year 5 Parent Event TBC
Monday 16th March - Year R Trip - Art Gallery
Tuesday 17th March - 9:00am Year 1 parent workshop share a story
Thursday 19th March - 3:00pm Year 3 parent event cave paintings
Friday 20th March - Red Nose Day
Tuesday 24th March - Year 3 & 4 Show - more details to follow
Wednesday 25th March - Year 1 Trip - Milestones
Wednesday 25th March - 2:45-3:15pm Year R parent workshop Art Gallery
Thursday 26th March - Year 3 & 4 Show

Friday 27th March 2026 - Last Day of Term

Easter Holiday - Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April 2026



KEY DATES CONTINUED

April 2026

Monday 13th April 2026 - First Day of Term
Wednesday 29th April - Year 2 Trip to Sea City Museum

May 2026

Spring Bank Holiday - Monday 4th May 2026

Tuesday 5th May - 3:00pm Year R parent event planting seeds
Wednesday 6th May - Year 3 Butser Farm Trip All day
Thursday 7th May - Year 2 Clay Parent Workshop - TBC
Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May - SATS week for Year 6
Monday 18th May - 3:00pm Year 5 Parent Event TBC
Tuesday 19th May - 3:00pm Year 4 Parent event in the Hall
Wednesday 20th May - Whole school production - more details to follow
Thursday 21st May - 2:45pm Year 1 parent event - sewing
Thursday 21st May - Whole school production - more details to follow
Friday 22nd May - Year 1 Dress up day
Friday 22nd May - Year 2 Titanic Day

Friday 22nd May 2026 - Last Day of Term
Inclusive Half Term Dates - Monday 25th May 2026 to Friday 29th May 2026

June 2026

Monday 1st June 2026 - First Day of Term

Tuesday 2nd June - Year R Sports Day - more details to follow
Wednesday 3rd June - KS1 and KS2 Sports Day - more details to follow
Friday 12th June - Year R Trip to Longdown Activity Farm
Tuesday 16th June - Year R Sports Day Reserve
Wednesday 17th June - KS1 and KS2 Sports Day Reserve
Monday 22nd June - Year 3 - Zoolab in school
Tuesday 23rd June - Year 5 Parent Event TBC

INSET Day - Monday 29th June 2026

July 2026

Thursday 2nd July - Year 1 Trip to Marwell Zoo
Friday 3rd July - Year R - Animal Dress up day - more details to follow
Friday 3rd July - Year 4 Trip to Minstead Study Centre
Tuesday 7th July - Year 1 Parent Event - Recorder Concert
Thursday 9th July - Year 6 show at The Berry Theatre
Friday 10th July - 3:00pm Year 3 Parent Event - Science
Wednesday 15th July - Rocksteady Concert
Thursday 16th July - Year 3 - Picnic for parents
Friday 17th July - L2M Concert
Wednesday 22nd July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - more details to follow

Wednesday 22nd July 2026 - Last Day of Term
Thursday 23rd July - Tuesday 31st August 2026 - Summer Holidays