BOORLEY PARK NEWS NOVEMBER EDITION

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

November has been a fantastic month at Boorley Park. A highlight was our whole-school contribution to Remembrance Day which was very moving. Every class contributed poppy artwork, which created a striking display, while our Year 6 children led the commemoration by performing 'In Flanders Fields' and sharing poignant diary entries. We also successfully marked Anti-Bullying Week, reinforcing our commitment to kindness and respect and our Year 5 children enjoyed their residential trip to Stubbington. We continue to work very hard to make Boorley Park the very best it can be and this was externally validated this month. We welcomed our external Primary Phase Inspector for our annual review and I am delighted to report a very positive outcome, specifically noting the high quality of teaching consistently seen across the school. Furthermore, all our subject leaders met with their counterparts from the local cluster of schools to review and moderate curriculum standards.

On Thursday, the children have their first disco of the year planned and led by the brilliant PTA. I would like to thank all the members of the PTA for their dedication and commitment to putting on fantastic events throughout the academic year for the school. Please let the school office know if you are interested in joining the PTA and my thanks goes to all the Boorley Park families for the support given to these events in order to raise vital funds for our school.

In November, we also welcomed our new Site Manager, Neil, to the team and Mrs Hine as our SEND Admin Assistant to support Mrs Darnley.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

With warm wishes, Miss Cunningham



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# INSPIRING MINDS

In Year R we have been thinking about Positive
Role Models through our People Who Help Us
theme. We had a visit from the paramedics as well
as a visit from the police. We got to ask lots of
questions and explore the inside of an ambulance
and a police car. We also went on our first school
trip to the local park. The children were amazing at
staying safe when walking to and from the school
and had a great time on the play equipment. We
enjoyed making hand print poppies for
Remembrance Day and observed a 2 minute silence

on the playground whilst we held our artwork.

# NURTURING FUTURES

Consistent and punctual attendance is crucial for your child's success and progress in school. Every day counts and missing even a small amount of school can disrupt learning and make it harder for children to keep up with their peers. Good attendance not only ensures your child receives the full curriculum but also helps them develop vital social skills and a strong routine. We understand that sometimes barriers to attendance exist.

If you are struggling with ensuring your child is in school every day and on time, please do not hesitate to reach out. Your child's class teacher is always the first point of contact and our Family Support Worker is also available to offer dedicated help, advice and practical support to improve your child's attendance record.



# STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY

We are thrilled to introduce Future-Focused Fridays, a new, inspiring initiative designed to develop essential life skills. Every Friday afternoon, children from Year 1 to Year 6 work collaboratively in cross-phase teams on a child-led project with a specific outcome in mind. This is a brilliant opportunity

for them to develop key skills such as teamwork, communication, and problem-solving. A crucial element of the projects is managing resources, as each team must work within a considered budget and promote their project. Some of our teams are extending their community focus by going out to help in our local feeder pre-school and at Snowdrops

Care Home, providing inter-generational and community support. To keep everyone informed of the progress, we have a dedicated Press Drive Team reporting on the developments of each project and this will be published on our school website. We encourage you to talk to your children about this and look out for the exciting outcomes towards the end

of this term!



FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER - INSET DAY - SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO PUPILS

# SAFEGUARDING NOTICES

We want to make you aware of a recent online safety concern linked to the popular game Roblox.

A pop-up has been appearing within Roblox, encouraging children to download an app called Pollybuzz (sometimes spelled Pollyfuzz). At first, the app seems harmless – it asks questions and creates an Artificial Intelligence "friend." However, it has been reported that the content can quickly become extreme, including themes of suicide, self-harm, and pornography.

# What you can do:

- Remind your child never to click on pop-ups in games.
- Encourage them to tell you immediately if they see anything worrying or inappropriate.
- Talk to your child about this issue and check their devices regularly.

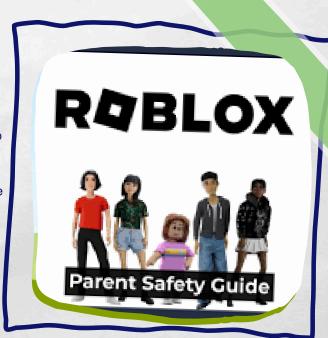
Roblox does offer parental controls, which can help reduce risks.

Instructions for setting these up can be found here:

Roblox Parental Controls Overview

Please note: parental controls can block some pop-ups, but not all, so active supervision is still essential.

Thank you for helping us keep children safe online.





KEY DATES

### December 2025

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - 2:15pm - Rocksteady Concert to parents of Rocksteady children

Thursday 4th December - 3:00pm - Year 5 Parent workshop TBC

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Listen 2 Me concert to parents

Monday 8th December - 2:45pm Year 3 Parent workshop - sewing

Tuesday 9th December - 9:30am - KS1 show-more details to follow

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - 2:30pm KS1 show-more details to follow

Friday 12th December - Christmas Lunch - orders are now closed

Friday 12th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 15th December - 9:30am Nativity show-more details to follow

Tuesday 16th December - 2:30pm Nativity show-more details to follow

Wednesday 17th December - 2:55pm Year 2 parent workshop - Design Technology

Thursday 18th December - 2:15pm - Christmas carols - change of date

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 19<sup>th</sup> January - 3:00pm Year 5 parent workshop - TBC

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January - 9:30am Year 4 Wren Class parent workshop in the hall

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January - 9:30am Year 4 Owl Class parent workshop in the hall

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January - Year 2 Trip to Blue Reef Aquarium

# February 2026

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February - 3:00pm Year 3 parent event listening to stories
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February - 3:00pm Year 1 parent event- art exhibition
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February Year 4 trip - Winchester Cathedral
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February - 2:45-3:15pm Year R parent workshop Someone special
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February - 3:30-7:00pm Parents' Evening
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day - more details to follow
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March - Rocksteady Concert
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - 3:00pm Year 5 Parent Event TBC
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March - Year R Trip - Art Gallery
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March - 9:00am Year 1 parent workshop share a story
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March - 3:00pm Year 3 parent event cave paintings
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March - Year 3 & 4 Show - more details to follow
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Year 1 Trip - Milestones
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - 2:45-3:15pm Year R parent workshop Art Gallery
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Year 3 & 4 Show

Friday 27th March 2026 - Last Day of Term
Easter Holiday - Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April 2026

## **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 Al 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