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Happy 140th Birthday, Bowling Green!

We all love a good party and what better to celebrate than our school's 140th birthday! Bowling Green first opened as a school in 1882 and, this week, our children have loved looking at old photographs, Headteachers' log books and newspaper articles about school throughout the years... and been surprised by the regular records of corporal punishment and canings for 'unwelcomed behaviours'! As part of the 140th birthday celebrations, children sang traditional school songs, played Victorian games and imagined what school may be like on its 200th birthday in 2082.

It has been fascinating to involve local experts this week to learn about the history of Stainland and our school. Our children have loved it and, for me, it demonstrates what a real privilege being a part of the 'now' for our community school is! For more historic (and modern) photos, see our Facebook page.









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Exciting news!

We have loved welcoming Miss Bottomley to Bowling Green Academy this half term. She has adored meeting her wonderful Reception class and fits into our great team so well. A huge congratulations to her is due, also, following her engagement at the weekend. Amazing news, Miss Bottomley! We are also delighted to share the news that Mr Morris will be staying at Bowling Green next year after securing a permanent teaching position at school. We're thrilled, Mr Morris, and we know our children are, too. Three cheers for you – we are all so pleased you are staying. Finally, Mrs Midgely, our trainee teacher in Year 2 with Mrs Hollingsworth, deserves a round of applause for securing her first teaching position at another school within our Trust. We know you have a great teaching career ahead, Mrs Midgely. Well done!

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Learning around school and beyond!

First, an enormous 'shout out' to our Year 6 children who completed their SATS this half term. I was so impressed with the children's resilience and determination to do their best throughout the whole week on some challenging papers. Mr Inwood, our Chair of Governors, came in to see the tests in action one day and was also pleased with the children's attitudes. I am sure the large breakfasts in school with added Nutella helped!

Our Reception class has learned about transport – both from today and the past, and from all around the world. I wonder where they will travel to next... In Year 1, the class' Geography topic has been about the United Kingdom. They have used maps to follow directions, learned about the four capital cities and viewed London landmarks. Elsewhere, Year 3's Geography has been focused on Brazil's climate, and physical and human features.

In Science, our Year 2 children have been very 'green fingered' – comparing seed growth during their Plants unit of work, while our Year 4 children have been investigating electricity and circuits with lots of practical work.

In Music, our Year 5 children have been learning about the history of an incredible song – 'Dancing in the Street' – and about the Motown era. In contrast, Year 6's music sessions have explored rapping and the children have all performed their own personal raps. Mic drop, Year 6!

Across school we have had a visit from Dog's Trust about safe behaviours with dogs and how to care for dogs at home. We have also started going to Stainland Cricket Club in Key Stage 2 for our PE lessons, which our children are loving! Furthermore, we have had two teams represent Bowling Green at Calderdale events – a huge well done to our tag rugby and cricket teams for your team efforts and successes (including some particularly impressive cricketing wins!).







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We upload monthly updates for parents and carers about keeping your child safe online to our website. The May edition has some updates on social media, how to block inappropriate adverts and privacy settings. It also links to online CyberSprinters resources – games that support children's understanding of online security. The update also features a focus, from the NSPCC, about TikTok. To read, visithttps://bowlinggreena cademy.org.uk/wellbeingsafeguarding/e-safety/



Key Dates & Reminders:

Tuesday 12th July:

Sports Day - PM

Wednesday 20th July:

Year 6 Leavers' Ceremony

Friday 22nd July:

Last day of school for summer

Tuesday 6th September:

First day back for a new school vear!

School starts at 8:45am and ends at 3:15pm for all children.

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