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We're heating up!

Wow – what a hot few days at Bowling Green... record breaking, in fact! Our children were kept cool by additional fans, cool boxes, foot spas and ice pops. Despite the extreme temperatures, our children all deserve a huge well done for keeping their composure and staying so sensible throughout our mini heatwave. Well done, Bowling Green!

As expected, Sports Day was a real highlight of the year. All our children participated extraordinarily well and everyone won points for their house. The competition was so close, in fact, that it was the final relay that decided the overall winner. Fantastic work, Team Fire. Again, we extend our thanks to Stainland Cricket Club, who hosted our event and our PE sessions throughout summer term.

This term we have also enjoyed our Sublime Science visitors for each class and our Islamic workshops across school to learn more about Muslims in Halifax and beyond. Our Bowling Green Marathon has also finished – with our children both getting outdoors more and also raising over £1200 for school books. We are thrilled, as were the children when they received their medals for participating. Speaking of reading, we also had a visit from local author and past pupil Sarah Morris, who shared some of her wonderful experiences and poems with our children. Thank you, Sarah – our children loved your visit!

Air House won the year-long rewards total with over 17,000 house points accumulated, which I am sure you will agree is a very impressive amount. Their treat was a visit to our playground to find their very own mini golf course. Great fun (and numerous holes-in-one) was had by all!





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Award winners and super learners

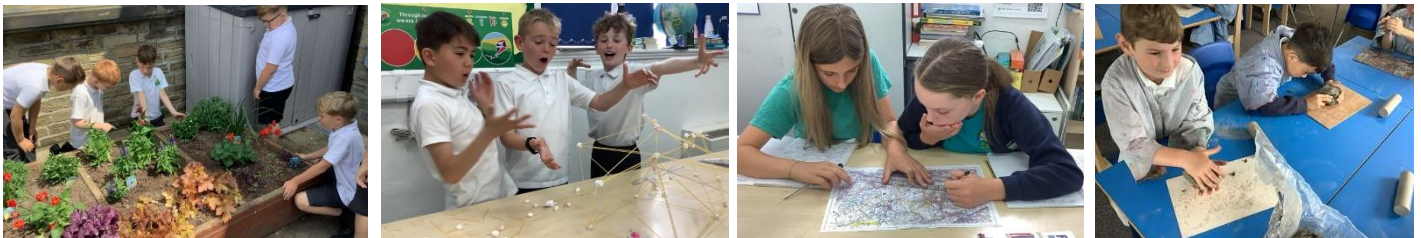
Bowling Green's sporting achievements have continued this term with two trophies entering school. The first was for a local Year 6 rounders competition that came down to the last ball. The second was a ten-pin bowling team who absolutely smashed the competition. During these – and other – external competitions, it is always such a pleasure to hear how well our Bowling Green children represent themselves and our school.

Reception this term have been learning about the seaside. They have also had class pets – cute, fluffy caterpillars that turned into beautiful butterflies, which were released into Stainland after a few weeks of their life cycle and some excellent care. In Year 1, in History, our children have learned about a significant individual from the past – Mary Anning, a trail-blazing fossil hunter. The children made their own fossils while learning about Mary's historic findings. In their Design and Technology project, our Year 2 children have designed and made nutritious smoothies – yum! Similarly, in Year 5's DT lessons, the children have learned to adapt a recipe to make spaghetti bolognese. Lots needed to be tasted first, of course, and the final meals (vegetarian or not) were delicious!

Year 3 have been learning about pollination, fertilisation and seed dispersal in their Science unit about plant reproduction. We have an impressive set of gardeners! Our Year 4 Science unit has been 'The Big Build' – I think we also have some determined architects and engineers in our midst.

Last, but certainly not least, we are delighted to have given our Year 6 children a 'send off' they deserve. Numerous transition sessions, a hilarious play for families, visits to Forest School, reminiscing in Reception and their leaving service. We have kept them busy, too – in Geography this term, the children have been using OS maps of the local area to identify locations.

Let's not forget our huge trip to Lytham St Anne's, too, to complete all that Geography fieldwork!





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Shining bright against Calderdale and nationally

At Bowling Green, we are extremely aware that school life is about a huge plethora of things – from academic growth to character development, personal achievements to teamwork skills. At times, all schools are ‘judged’ on their milestone data, be it through league tables or wider scrutiny.

Therefore, we are thrilled to share with you all this data this year, with nation-wide and Calderdale comparisons where they have been released. As you will see, we are achieving extremely well – bucking national trends of lower outcomes following school closures and impact of the last two years - and we are very proud to share this with you. As you will see, the below results are fantastic, although we realise that they do not show how much progress individual children have made from their starting points from back in September, which we monitor carefully – and has been equally excellent.

Our curriculum developments, wonderful staff and enthusiastic children have all contributed to these fantastic achievements. Well done, Bowling Green!

% Children KS2 Results – 18 children

	Reading	Writing	Mathematics	SPAG	RWM Combined
Bowling Green	77%	78%	83%	78%	72%
Calderdale	74%	68%	72%		59%
National	74%	69%	71%	72%	59%

% Children KS1 Results – 15 children

	Reading	Writing	Mathematics	RWM Combined
Bowling Green	67%	67%	73%	67%
Calderdale	67%	57%	68%	
National	68%	58%	68%	

% Children passing their Year 1 Phonics Screening Check – 24 children

Bowling Green Year 1	Calderdale	National Average
92%	79%	76%

% Children meeting Good Level of Development (GLD) – 18 children

Bowling Green Reception	Calderdale	National Average
67%	66%	65%



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Welcoming new staff

We have a few new members of staff starting school in September who I am sure will be welcomed with open arms. Mrs Barraclough will be joining us in Reception and Mrs Knapton will be in Year 1 – both roles are to support individual children. We have said goodbye to Mrs Inwood and we wish her all the best! Mrs Khatoon will also be joining us in Key Stage 1 to support classes while Mrs Knight continues her additional hours in the school office and Mrs McDermott continues her role within the Trust.

Our Summer Holiday Club is open for five weeks over summer. Book a place today!

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Important dates

Tuesday 6th September

- All children return to school, 8:45am – 3:15pm

Friday 21st October

- End of the first half term

Tuesday 1st November

- Start of the second half term

Friday 16th December

- Close for Christmas holidays

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