



6<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## New School Year

Dear Parent / Carer,

I am delighted to welcome you all to a new school year at Bowling Green Academy! Welcome, particularly, to our new families joining our great community. During our INSET training day yesterday, I thanked all staff for their hard work over the summer holidays. Bowling Green looks *fantastic* – classrooms are purposeful, calm and inviting, as are displays around school, and the atmosphere today has been great. Children – despite maybe an earlier start than they are used to! – have clearly enjoyed being back in school.

I wanted to inform you early in September about our improvement priorities for this academic year, a process which all schools follow annually. As well as constant school improvement, this year we are focusing a heightened amount of attention on:

- 1. Children's **speaking**, **listening and communication**. We want our children to be excellent talkers and word users; to value their own voice and be confident to use it for a manner of different purposes
- 2. Further **embedding our curriculum** in all subjects, including developing children's memories to recall knowledge and understanding across a range of different subjects and units
- Supporting personal development giving children amazing experiences and developing an understanding of hobbies, interests, differences, experiences, aspirations and life in modern Britain.

We will also be having a rejuvenated 'push' on our use of **SeeSaw** (new logins will be shared with every family this week as we archive previous accounts). We want your contribution on this, too – we want your 'likes', your comments and your contributions from home to make a really exciting online space to share children's learning and development. We will also continue to share Bowling Green news and updates on our <u>Facebook</u> page and end-of-term Newsletters.

Furthermore, we will be welcoming families into school for class showcases over the year for children to share their learning with their nearest and dearest.

As ever, thank you for your continued support for everything at Bowling Green. Here's to a phenomenal year for our school!

Yours sincerely,

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