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## Bowling Green: fit for Royalty

The last six weeks have flown by – perhaps helped by two Bank Holidays. For the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla, we turned the school red, white and blue and celebrated in style. Our children, in House Teams, learned about coronation ceremonies and role-played the six parts. In the photo below, you'll see King Louie take the throne alongside King Charles himself – spot the difference! In honour of our new 'green king', the children also learned about King Charles' environmentalism by reusing newspapers to make plant pots for vegetable seeds. Our children are certainly green fingered at Bowling Green! Furthermore, all the children received a coronation bun (thank you, Charlie's mum!) and our Eco-Warriors joined 'The Big Help Out' by volunteering as litter pickers in the local area.





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## Our 'exciting' curriculum

This term, we have had an external reviewer come into school to look closely at our school curriculum. During feedback, he described 'enthralled pupils' and 'a real buzz' being evident in children's 'exciting' learning. Needless to say, we were VERY pleased! Here are some photos from across school about what our children have learned.

In Reception this term, the children have been learning ball skills during their PE lessons – they have been sending and receiving equipment in different ways. We have definitely seen giant leaps forward in the children's coordination and control! During their Design and Technology (DT) unit, our Year 1 children have designed and made Ferris wheels. I'm sure you will agree just how wonderful they are! Also in DT, Year 4 have had the difficult task of taste-testing and evaluating biscuits, before adapting a recipe to bake their own – yum yum!

In Year 3, our children have been to the Forest School to learn lots of outdoor skills, as well as writing biographies in English and mummifying tomatoes in History to learn about Ancient Egypt. Our Year 2 class has also been on a trip – to The Piece Hall, linked to their History topic about Halifax's changes over time. The children explored the building, weaved and learned all about Halifax's role in the cloth trade. More British History work in Year 5 has led to the children working as teams to present their mini-topics about the Viking Invasion.

Finally, Year 6 – what can I say? You will have no doubt seen on the news about this year's SATS papers and how difficult they were. Our children were exemplary the whole week – determined to succeed, positive and focused until the end of each test. Quite simply, they blew us all away. Your recent History work on the Golden Age of Islam has amazed me too.

A huge WELL DONE – you all absolutely *smashed* your SATS!





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## Bird's Eye View

We're up, up and away this term with our recent drone photographs taken of school, which showcase our school and local area's breathtaking beauty. The views – either down to West Vale and Halifax or across to Outlane and beyond – are gorgeous. We're currently working out where to put the photos in school, as well as our recent class photos.



## Being safe

As you will all know, our roads near school are busy and cars travel fast around our perimeter. During the holidays, please ensure that children remain safe and have appropriate supervision beside roads – this includes on bikes and scooters (and helmets!). We will have a focus on road safety when we return after the holidays. In the meantime, if you would like any age-appropriate road safety tips, this [Parent Guide from RoSPA](#) is excellent.



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## Sports Superstars

As well as our PE and swimming lessons, this half term has seen Boys and Girls Football teams play locally as well as weekly sessions for classes across school by Yorkshire Cricket – with thanks to Stainland Cricket Club.

Our children, from Reception to Year 6, also took part in intensive circuits with Paralympic athlete Michael Churm. Michael also led an assembly to the school, sharing details about his successes, challenges and adversities he had faced.



## Fashion...

As ever, thank you to our PTA for all the hard work organising events to fundraise for school. The half term's Ladies Fashion Show was a huge success – raising almost £1,400! PTA funds go towards resources and experiences for children in school. During times of financial strain on school budgets, PTA's contributions help us greatly!

## ... and food

We continue to be thrilled to work with the amazing local initiative [Food for Families](#), which aims to provide meals for families in need. You may like to follow their Facebook page to see if you can help in any way.





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## One final drone shot!



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