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Memorable visits and important visitors

What a half term we have had at Bowling Green Academy! Many of our children have been on class trips this half term to revisit learning from their years. Reception and Year 1 visited Yorkshire Wildlife Park to see a host of animals, including polar bears, tigers and wallabies. Our children loved the tall giraffes and the climbing armadillo, too. They were exceptionally well behaved and enjoyed their ice lolly treats at the end. Years 3, 4 and 5 journeyed to Magna Science Adventure Centre for scientific workshops and to explore their pavilion exhibitions, including the fun (and very wet!) water zone as well as their infamous (and very cool!) fire tornado.

We have also had many visitors into school, including eggs that hatched into chicks, caterpillars that morphed into butterflies, as well as many parents and carers who have visited school to watch our Year 6 show – 'I'm an 11 Year Old, Get Me Out Of Here!' (backstage photos, right), choir performances and for coffee, cakes and a catch up! We have also had numerous sporting events, including boys' and girls' football matches and a Key Stage 2 rugby tournament where our children met a player from Halifax Panthers and won third place.

We have also had our Ofsted inspection this half term. As I've shared previously, everyone's 'good luck's, thumbs ups and comments were truly appreciated. Our children truly shone and one inspector commented, 'They keep blowing me away!' All staff were fantastic, too, and we certainly showcased Bowling Green over the two days. I cannot wait to share their report with you all in the new academic year.





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Art and DT

This term, it has seemed like everywhere you turn, there is a delicious smell from one classroom or another. In Year 3 and 4, children tested and made biscuits; in Year 5, they have experimented with different spaghetti bolognese recipes and in Year 6, our children have researched and produced separate three-course meals over three weeks. Yum! In Key Stage 1, children in Year 1 have been learning about the human form. Can you read what they wrote using their bodies below? In Year 2, our children experimented with different clay techniques before making a whole class piece, which was fired in our kiln.



Bon Voyage!

This week we have been sad to say 'Happy retirement!' and goodbye to Mrs Davison and Mrs McDermott – both of whom have exciting times ahead. Mrs Davison is very excited to become a grandma for the first time and get lots of baby cuddles, and Mrs McDermott is leaving after over 30 years associated with Bowling Green (from a parent to a School Business Manager) to spend more time in her new Portuguese home – how lovely!

We have also said 'a little goodbye' to Mrs Deighton who will be based at Marsden Junior School next year, although we are already planning her visits to Bowling Green throughout the year so she can come to see us all.

Thank you!

Thank you for all your lovely comments and sponsorship for my recent skydive – wow, what a rush! All money raised goes to Headlines charity, which supports children and families with craniofacial conditions.





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Academic successes

Over the past two and a half years, my vision for our wonderful school has been about developing children's character alongside furthering academic success – 'doing both, very well'. I am thrilled, therefore, to share our published national data with you all, including the recently revealed Year 6 SATs results. Where it has been released, I have included a national percentage for your comparisons. School life at Bowling Green Academy is not solely focused on data – I do not believe it should be – but we have certainly celebrated our children's phenomenal achievements this year.

Early Years – children meeting Good Level of Development		Year 1 Phonics Screening Check – children meeting the 'expected' standard	
Bowling Green Academy	71%	Bowling Green Academy	89.5%
National average	68%	National average	80%

Year 2 – end-of-Key Stage 1 assessments							
	Reading Expected +	Reading Greater Depth	Writing Expected +	Writing Greater Depth	Maths Expected +	Maths Greater Depth	Combined (Reading, Writing, Maths)
BGA	83%	33%	75%	21%	88%	29%	75%
National (last year)	67%	18%	58%	8%	68%	15%	

Year 6 – end-of-Key Stage 2 assessments									
	Reading Exp +	Reading Greater Depth	Writing Exp +	Writing Greater Depth	Maths Exp +	Maths Greater Depth	Combined (Reading, Writing, Maths)	Grammar Exp +	Grammar Greater Depth
BGA	91%	32%	82%	27%	86%	45%	77%	91%	41%
National	73%		71%		73%		59%	72%	

Year 6 Superstars

Quite simply, our Year 6 children have been a delight! As a class, they are full of character, full of enquiry and full of enthusiasm. They have been a pleasure to have at Bowling Green and have kept their determination to be the best they can be until the very end.

We are all sad to see this exceptional group of children leave our doors but we know they are ready for their next challenge at secondary school. Good luck, Year 6 – high schools always speak highly about 'Bowling Green children' and we are all certain you will continue to impress next year. Come back and visit us!



Bowling Green Academy News



BOWLING GREEN ACADEMY

SUMMER 2

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School's out...

... for summer!

To all our Bowling Green Academy children and families, we all wish you a wonderful summer holiday! Rest, relax and recharge ready for a new school year in September.

I am already excited to hear what you get up to over the break. Here are some local suggestions for children of all ages.

Happy summer!

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FRIDAY AT 4 PM

Stainland Memorial Park Toddler play area opening!

Stainland Memorial Park

Healthy Holidays @ Orange Box 2023

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
A	AJ Dance 12:30pm - 1:30pm	Rap with Rob 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Boxercise with Junied 3pm - 4pm	Art with Jake Attree 12pm - 4pm	Indoor Cinema 12pm - 4pm
G	Skate it Yourself Open Skate Sessions Mon - Fri 12pm - 4pm				
E	Table Games & Activities in the Atrium Pool, Air Hockey, Foosball, Karaoke & Arts and Crafts Mon - Fri 12pm - 4pm				
S	Indoor Games in the Box Below Mon - Wed 12pm - 4pm	Bounce Workout 12:30pm to 1:30pm	@OrangeBoxHalifax @orangeboxhalifax_yps		
13	Bouldering Tunnel Mon - Fri 2pm - 3pm				
to	Free Hot Meal Available Mon - Fri 12:30pm - 1:15pm				
19	HEALTHY HOLIDAYS Perfect Challenge Delivered to Family packs				
yr					
old					
24th					
July					
to					
1st					
Sept					

FREE OPEN ACCESS

PRICES PER DAY: £21
SIBLING DISCOUNT*

SPORTSCOOL SUMMER CLUB

BOWLING GREEN ACADEMY

31ST July - 25 August

SCAN THE QR CODE

HTTPS://SPORTSCOOL-BRADFORD.CLASS4KIDS.CO.UK
EMAIL: JAKE.S@SPORTSCOOL.ORG



Stainland CC Camp 2 (4-day booking)

Fun filled, action packed days of cricket coaching. 8th-11th August.

Starts 8 Aug £95 Stainland Cricket Club

Saturday 9th September

10:30am-11:30am
Have A Play Day

11:30am-12:00pm
Musicianship Skills
For ages 4-7 yrs

11:30am & 12:00pm
Free 30-minute piano
class for adults

1:00pm-3:00pm
Workshop with
Halifax Art Society

Calderdale Music

Saturday 9th September Heritage Weekend At The Old Courthouse

Calderdale Music, The Old Courthouse, Blackwall, Halifax, HX1 2DL

"HAVE A PLAY" DAY 10:30AM - 11:30AM

Your chance to try a piano, trumpet, trombone, flute, violin, ukulele or recorder! Suitable for all ages, though we recommend age 8+ for trumpet, trombone and flute.



**MUSICIANSHIP SKILLS
11:30AM - 12PM**

For ages 4-7 years. Learn musical skills through games and play!

Try this week's session for free. Parents, please join us too!

Sessions take place every Saturday, £5 per session



The Old Courthouse will be open to visitors
10:30am - 2:30pm

See the building now being used as a space dedicated to music teaching and performance.
www.calderdalemusic.co.uk



Calderdale Pride

The Piece Hall, Halifax.
Saturday 19th August