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Trust**

...everyone in our Trust.



*Boasley Cross Primary School – Respectful, Resourceful, Resilient*

22/09/2023

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had such a busy start to the new school year. It has been a real pleasure to see the children settling into new routines with such ease. The caring attitude shown by everyone really is remarkable. We have been busy deciding our different roles and responsibilities. Our School Councillors, Librarians, Sports Leaders and Wildlife Champions will all have regular opportunities to develop their roles and the impact they have on the school community.

We have also been working with the children to review our reward systems. We have kept some, as they are popular, but have made changes to others in response to the children's suggestions. The Reading Basket will be the reward for a member of Littlemoor who has read at home 5 times in that week. Oketor will still obtain a raffle ticket for reading five times, but the winner will be able to select something from the 'Box of Joy' in the classroom. Any children who have their names placed in one of the raffles throughout the term will be entered into a prize draw at the end of each half term, during our Special Celebration Assembly.

**Staff Changes:** We are pleased to pass on that Miss Spooner has been accepted onto a university course starting immediately. This is a great opportunity for her to pursue her sporting skills and knowledge and we certainly wish her all the best. We also thank her for everything she has done for the children at Boasley during the short time that she has been one of the team.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Lethbridge, who is familiar to most children already, back to Boasley. She will be working in Littlemoor full-time alongside Miss Smaridge. Mr Sutherland will move across to Oketor each morning.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hosking

## Stars of the Week

### **Week ending: 15<sup>th</sup> September:**

**Oketor Star learner:** Eleanor: Eleanor has been both thoughtful and helpful since the beginning of term. I really appreciate her calm and caring approach.



**Littlemoor Star learner:** Charlotte: Since being back at school, Charlotte has shown her best can-do attitude to everything and has even begun to read to lots at home! Keep up the good work Charlotte, what a fantastic start to year 2.

### **Week ending: 22<sup>nd</sup> September:**

**Oketor Star learner:** Tilly: Tilly has used exceptional vocabulary when writing her story based on 'The Fox and the Star'.



**Littlemoor Star learner:** Lucy: Lucy has been demonstrating great learning behaviours in every aspect of school life.



Seth - Reading basket winner!

Alice - Box of Joy winner!



## Attendance

It was great to see all the children arriving at school promptly and coming in with smiling faces! Keep it up.



**Whole School  
Attendance**

**96.27%**

## Spotlight on Oketor

Oketor Class are learning about separating mixtures in Science. Last week, we all enjoyed making mixtures outdoors – none of them looked very appetizing!



We also had an unexpected visitor in our class last Friday. A long-eared bat decided to join us in class. It gave us all a chance to look at one of these incredible creatures close up!



During computing this half term, we are learning how to create stop frame animations. This week, we worked in groups to make some very successful sequences. It was great to see the children co-operating well in their groups and producing some excellent results.



### **Messages**

As the weather has taken a turn for the worse, please remember to send the children in with coats so they can enjoy playing outdoors as much as possible.

Thank you for bearing with us with the changes to the lunch ordering system. Things have settled down this week – we really appreciate your patience! Just remember to order by Thursday for the following week's lunches.

### **Upcoming events**

Next week our Year 6 children will be attending Junior Life Skills on Tuesday and the Year 3 and 4 children will be joining in with a Tag Rugby tournament on Friday (details to follow).

#### *Calling all volunteers!*

*We have a number of sporting events coming up which we would love the children to be involved in. If there are any willing parent volunteers who would be happy to help with these, please see or email Mrs Hosking:*

*([nhosking@boasleyprimary.org.uk](mailto:nhosking@boasleyprimary.org.uk)) for information. Thank you.*

Mrs N Hosking

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## Next Two Weeks

Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	FOBCS Sponsored Walk Sourton 2pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	OCRA Sports 3.30 – 4.30pm
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Junior Life Skills Recorder Club 3.30 – 4.30pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Martial Arts (TBC)
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Board Games Lunchtime Club
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3/4 Tag Rugby (details to follow) Immersion Coding 3.30 – 4.30pm
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	OCRA Sports 3.30 – 4.30pm
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Recorder Club 3.30 – 4.30pm
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Martial Arts (TBC)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Board Games Lunchtime Club
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Immersion Coding 3.30 – 4.30pm

\*Your child must be booked into after-school clubs via School Gateway to take part

## Diary Dates

### October

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Whole School visit to Paignton Zoo (details to follow)
5 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Football event (details to follow)
12 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Cross Country (details to follow)
13 <sup>th</sup>	FOBCS Bag2School
17 <sup>th</sup>	FOBCS Halloween Party Sourton 4-5.30pm
18 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultations (details to follow)
19 <sup>th</sup>	Book & Biscuit/Celebration Assembly 3pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup>	Half term
30 <sup>th</sup>	All pupils return



# FOBCS sponsored walk!

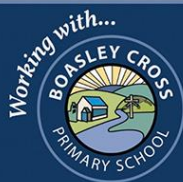
Saturday the 23rd September at 2pm.

Meet us at Sourton Village Hall, climb Sourton Tor together.

Teas/coffees and cake available at the hall after our walk.



- Sponsorship form will be sent home from school with your child.
- The route is roughly 2.5 miles with an ascent/descent of 600 feet; walk will start and finish at Sourton Village Hall (EX20 4HN).
- Well behaved dogs on leads are welcome.
- FOBCS members will help guide round the route, however parents and carers are responsible for the children in their care.



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# Bag2School

Our next **Bag2School** collection has been arranged for

**Friday 13th October 2023**

## ADVANCE DONATIONS WELCOME!

Do you have any unwanted clothing or linen?

Please help raise funds for Boasley Cross Primary School by dropping your bagged items **on or before Friday 13th October** in the bus stop outside our school.

The more we collect, the more money is raised for our school! Advance donations welcome; leave them in the bus shelter outside the school and we will collect and store safely.

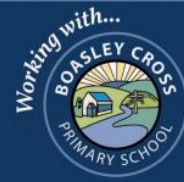


### Accepted items:

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:

- Men's, ladies' & children's clothing
- Paired shoes
- Handbags, belts & accessories
- Household bedding and towels

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)



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# Celebrate Halloween with FOBCS and Magic Martin!



Tuesday 17th October, 16.00 — 17.30

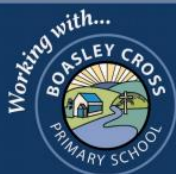
Sourton Village Hall

£5.00 per child, younger siblings welcome

Tea/coffee and cake available to purchase

Contact Susan Turner to attend; 07411809598

Event organised by the Friends of Boasley Cross Primary School (FOBCS), Adults must stay during event and remain responsible for their own children throughout the event.



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## FOBCS

Please see posters for forthcoming events, starting on Saturday with the sponsored walk. Please return sponsorships to FOBCS by 6<sup>th</sup> October – many thanks.