



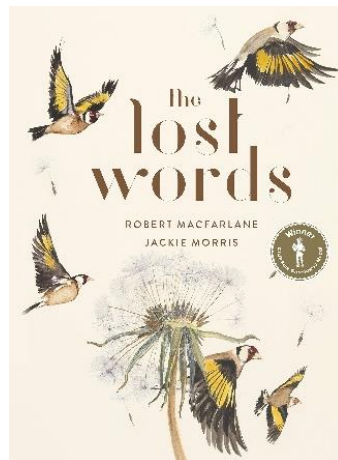
WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week's learning in English was linked to last week's National Poetry Day. Children from Reception all the way through to Y6 have been looking at a beautiful book called 'The Lost Words' by Robert MacFarlane and Jackie Morris. The Lost Words is a book of 'spells'- they are called spells rather than poems because they are designed to be spoken (or sung!) out loud. Why? Because these are the words which were removed from a children's dictionary, on the grounds that they were not being used enough by children to merit inclusion.



This week, the school buildings have been brimming with all sorts of learning linked to The Lost Words, including artwork and poetry writing. Teachers are also busy displaying your children's work ready for you to enjoy on Parents' Evening after half term- we can't wait for you to see it!

We welcomed our Chair of Governors, Anne Cull, and our new Head Teacher, Amy Cooper, to school for a tour this week. Mrs Cooper is looking forward to joining the team and will be visiting frequently in the coming weeks before officially joining us in January 2023. She visited every classroom, spoke to children, met staff again and even got to see OPAL in action across our playgrounds.

DATES FOR DIARIES

- Wed 19 Oct Parent Workshop "Helping your child to be their best – at home & at school"
- Thu 20 Oct Individual School Photos
- Fri 21 Oct Individual School Photos
Pupils Break up for half term
- Mon 31 Oct *Pupils return to school*
- Tue 1 Nov Y4 Diwali Workshop
- Wed 2 & Thu 3 Nov Parents' Evening
- Fri 4 Nov Diwali Celebration
- Tue 8 Nov PTA KS2 Discos
- Mon 14 Nov Anti-Bullying Week
- Thu 17 Nov Prospective Parent Open Morning
Y6 Parents' SATS workshop
- Fri 18 Nov Children in Need
- Thu 24 Nov Prospective Parent Open Afternoon
- Fri 25 Nov/Fri 2 & 9 Dec Y5 BCMG Workshop
- Sat 3 Dec PTA Xmas Fair
- Mon 5 Dec Yr 2 Edgmond Hall Residential
- Tue 6 Dec Y4 Theatre Trip
Y6 Greek Parthenon Workshop
- Fri 9 Dec KS1 Christmas play St Francis Church
- Sat 10 Dec Choir Concert at St Francis Church 3pm
- Fri 16 Dec Christmas Parties
Pupils Break up for half term

Next week, teachers will be setting the children's learning targets which will be shared via the planners by the end of the week. On Thursday and Friday next week, children will also be having their individual photographs taken, so full uniform for all please!

I wish all our families a lovely and restful weekend!

Kind regards,

Jess Mattocks

Interim Head Teacher

Passwords

If another adult is collecting your child, please ensure that they have your password. This informs school that you have given your permission for your child to be released to another person. It also eliminates the need to email school, as teachers do not access their emails during the school day.

School Photos

School photos will be taken on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st November. Children should wear their full school uniform so please do not send your child in their PE kit on these days.

Y6 Walk Home Alone Permission

If your Y6 child does not currently walk home unaccompanied but you would like them to next term, please complete the online form by following this link [Y6 walk home alone permission](#) indicating the arrangements for your child.

The deadline for your response is Sunday 30th October 2022.

Your child will not be allowed to leave school unaccompanied at the end of the day without a completed form.

We ask that you discuss with your Y6 child what they should do at the end of the school day if they are worried, or unsure of what to do. School advises that they return to their class teacher or the school office to tell an adult in these circumstances and we will contact you.

If arrangements for your child change during the school year, you must submit an amended online form via the link. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that the existing arrangements are still in place. The link can be requested by emailing the school office at enquiry@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk

Active Travel Challenge

You can get rewarded for travelling sustainably by getting involved in The Active Travel Birmingham Challenge. This is a new mobile app that aims to incentivise Birmingham residents to form healthier travel habits with the offer of weekly prizes.

The app, [which is now live to download](#), will encourage people to walk, cycle, scoot or use public transport for everyday journeys.

Users can log their journeys to gain points and climb the leader boards, with prizes up for grabs for the best performing individuals and teams. The initial challenge period **runs until Friday 4 November**.

There'll be a prize draw at the end of each week with vouchers to win. **Here is the link to the our website to find out more** [Active Travel Birmingham Challenge](#) **the app is available now to download in the Apple App store or** [Active Travel Challenge - Apps on Google Play](#).

PTA News

School Uniform Shop - The school shop is next open on **Friday 21st October**, we will be at the school bus at pick up. If you have any school uniform that is in a good used condition and has been washed remember you can drop it with any teacher at drop off or pick up - you don't have to wait for the shop to be open. The shop is 'pay what you feel' you can pay in cash or by card.

A shout out to all the new parent volunteers helping with the school shop - thank you so much! (If you want to get involved, email us on bourvillehsa@hotmail.co.uk)

Quiz night - Tonight! We're looking forward to the quiz tonight! 100 parents have signed up for a fish and chip dinner, sit down bingo, BYOB and the best quiz since 2019!

We also have a quiz night raffle with donations from local businesses. Raffle tickets will be available to buy on the night (either cash or card).

Advance warning ...

Christmas Cards designs... children have been supported in school to design their own Christmas cards/placemats/present tags and mugs ready for you to order online.

School Discos - Tuesday 8th November – school disco for years 2 and 3 at 15.30 and years 4, 5 and 6 at 18.00 details of how to book and volunteer to follow.

3rd Dec 2022 – Christmas Fair, 11 – 3pm – Santa, Tombola, Raffle, Christmas Café, Craft, Games, Stalls.

If you are, or know another parent that is a designer/maker that wishes to have a stall, please fill in and submit the form here <https://bourvillehsa.wordpress.com/event-booking-forms/christmas-fayre>.

If you know of anyone that can donate prizes for the Christmas raffle, please contact us on bourvillehsa@hotmail.co.uk

Thanks so much from David, Sarah, Veronica and the rest of the PTA team.



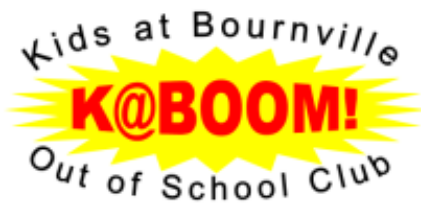
Over the last week, Mr Carter and Mr Heath have been busy building dens for the children to enjoy at playtime. They used the Copper Beech den building set, specifically designed for the purpose, having had all the relevant safety checks. Whenever we open a new area, it must be risk assessed and needs a set of rules to ensure safe play. Each class can then visit the area and their class teacher, having read the risk assessment and rules, teaches them how to use it safely. Class visits start next Monday, we look forward to sharing the children's stories and photos from their time there.



Inside school, an Opal Play team has been chosen and Miss Casey will be meeting with them next week to welcome them to the Opal project. Thank you to those of you who have been in touch with offers of resources for our playground – we are very grateful.

Below is the list of things that we need and would once again, be very grateful for any help:

- Boards, old cabinet doors, panels
- Briefcases
- Wheelbarrows
- Cable drums
- Foam pipe covers and noodles
- Guttering
- Hoses
- Keyboards and phones
- Metal pots, pans, trays etc.
- Office removal crates
- Old (adult) jackets, overalls, hats, bags
- Old household appliances, hoovers, fax machines, microwaves
- One-ton dumpy bags
- Pallets
- Planks, decking
- Plastic chairs
- Plastic trugs and bins
- Ropes
- Wheels, small, medium and large!
- Small wheelie bins
- Steering wheels
- Tarpaulin
- Tubes – of all kinds
- Wooden blocks and off cuts
- Books, for all ages but especially ages 8 and above



Play Worker Wanted

for K@Boom Out-of-School Club
(up to) 16 hours per week

+ the option for extra hours in the school holidays

Job description, Person Specification and
Application Form available on request.

Please email David Lucas, K@Boom Manager:

dave.lucas@stfranciscentre.co.uk

SEND BRIEFING PARENT WEBINAR

October 2022



Parent/Carer Webinars take place regularly throughout the year and cover a number of different topics. Please see the local offer website for further details. Each webinar should last approximately one hour and take the format of a presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions.

[Developing joint Attention](#) – Tuesday 11th October 2022 11-11:30am

[Supporting Language Development Through Play](#) - Tuesday 18th October 11-11.30

[Using a Now and Next board](#) - Tuesday 1st November - 11-11:30

[Using Objects and sensory Cues](#) - Tuesday 8th November - 11-11:30

[Offering Choices](#) - Tuesday 15th November - 11-11:30

[Using a communication board](#) - Tuesday 22nd November - 11-11:30

[Creating opportunities](#) - Tuesday 29th November - 11-11:30

[Using a Song Bag](#) - Tuesday 6th December - 11-11:30

Speakers:

Speech and Language Therapists from the Outreach and SEND Therapy Team

These sessions are suitable for parents of children who have difficulties with their early communication development in the areas of attention, social interaction, understanding of simple language and use of words/other means to convey their wants and needs".

Please email bchc.sendtherapy@nhs.net if you are unsure whether these webinars would be suitable.

Each webinar will last approximately **30 minutes** and take the format of a presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions

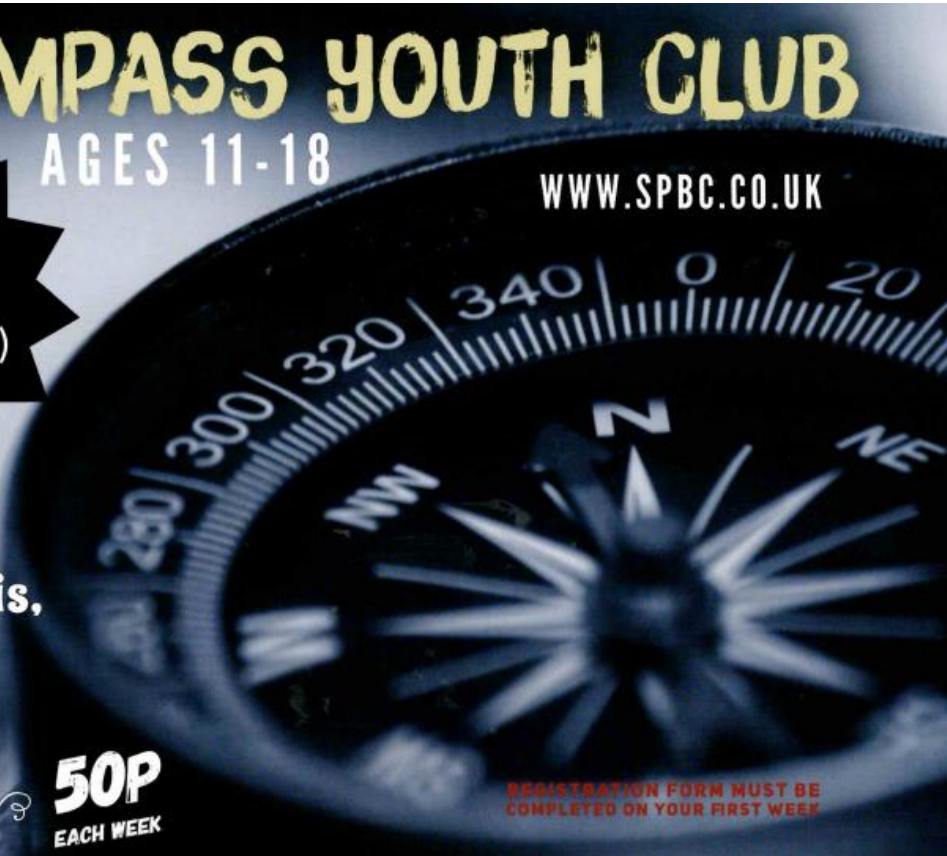
<https://www.localofferbirmingham.co.uk/product-category/speech-and-language-therapy/>

All people who book a ticket will be sent a copy of the presentation and a copy of the recording of the webinar.



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