School Update

Bourne Elsea Park CofE Primary Academy

Friday 5th December 2025

Abbey Academies Trust

Dear Parents/Carers

Each week at Bourne Elsea Park brings new reasons to feel proud of our children and staff. From exciting learning experiences to acts of kindness in the playground, our school community continues to shine. Here are some highlights of our week.

Super Scientists! Year 5 Discover the Secrets of Air Resistance







Year 5 had a fabulous time learning about air resistance this week. This lesson took them out to the playground where they experienced its effect as they ran. Coats open, holding paper and even a huge sheet, children felt the impact air resistance can have on slowing objects down. With this mind, they moved onto their own experiments, testing whether the area of a parachute canopy has any impact on air resistance. The outcome… you will have to ask our fabulous pupils. Great experimenting scientists!

Year 4 Help A Squirrel in Need!



On Wednesday Miss Ockwell and Mrs Shore couldn't believe their eyes when a tiny, distressed squirrel came into their classroom asking for help getting his washing dry! The squirrel had heard a rumour that his socks would dry more quickly in a warm environment, but he wasn't sure it was true. The teachers knew exactly what to do! They explained the situation to their classes and in no time at all the children were busy setting up a fair test that would prove the squirrel's socks would definitely dry more quickly in a warm environment. Can you guess how they did it?

‘Peace on Earth’ Christmas Tree at Bourne Methodist Church’s Christmas Tree festival.



On a quiet night in Bethlehem, the birth of Jesus was announced with the message of “peace on earth.” Since then, Christmas has been a time when people all around the world pause to reflect on the hope and peace that this season brings.

This year, we wanted our tree to celebrate peace and to remind us that, no matter where we live, we all share a deep longing for harmony, understanding, and goodwill.

For Christians, peace is at the heart of the Christmas story. Jesus is often called the “Prince of Peace,” and His message encourages us to seek calm, compassion, and unity, even in times of uncertainty or challenge. Christmas offers us a chance to pause, breathe, and look for ways to bring peace into our homes, our communities, and our world.

Whether you are sharing a quiet moment with family, reaching out to someone in need, or simply enjoying the gentle stillness of a winter’s night, we hope this season fills you with a sense of peace that stretches far beyond Christmas Day.

We truly enjoyed creating our decorations for this year’s festival, and we hope our tree brings a peaceful moment to your day.

Upcoming dates:

Monday 8th December: Year 2 – 6 Carol Service at Church – 10:00am

Wednesday 10th December: Reception and Year 1 Nativity in school hall – 9:15am

Thursday 11th December: Year 1 visit to Pantomime – 10.15am

I am constantly inspired by the fantastic learning and genuine kindness shown every day at Bourne Elsea Park. Your support truly makes a difference, and together we are building a school community that is both nurturing and inspiring for our children.

Kindest regards,



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