School Update

Bourne Elsea Park CofE Primary Academy

Friday 16th January 2026

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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been another busy and exciting time in school, filled with creativity, curiosity and memorable learning experiences. Our children have battled through blizzards, braved the jungle and even travelled through time! Without a doubt, they have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm. This newsletter offers just a snapshot of the fantastic learning taking place across the school and the joy our children bring to each day.

Year 2 London's Burning… Fetch the Engines!



Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed taking part in their exciting Great Fire of London drama workshop! For the day, the classroom was transformed as bakers, maids, Londoners and bustling market traders stepped through the Year 2 door and travelled back in time to 17th Century London. Through imaginative role play and drama, the children explored what daily life was like in 1666, from the narrow streets and wooden houses to the sights, sounds and smells of the city. Everyone demonstrated fantastic teamwork, creativity and enthusiasm as they worked together to act out key moments from this important historical event. The workshop brought history to life and gave the children a real sense of what London was really like during the Great Fire. It was a brilliant and memorable way to launch our History topic this term!

Attendance

Now that Christmas has passed and the weather remains cold, families may be considering taking a holiday during the coming months.

We would like to remind parents and carers that, in line with Lincolnshire Local Authority guidance and current legislation, schools are unable to authorise holidays during term time. Leave of absence will only be granted in exceptional circumstances, and any such request must be made in advance of the proposed absence.

Parents and carers are therefore asked to check the published school term dates, which can be found on the school's website, carefully when making holiday arrangements. Unauthorised absence may result in further action being taken in accordance with Local Authority procedures.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring good attendance.

An Antarctic Adventure to Remember!



Year 4 went on an adventure to remember as they embarked on an exciting expedition to the coldest place on Earth! Wrapped up from head to toe, the children braved extreme conditions, battling through ice, snow and howling blizzards on their journey to the South Pole. As they travelled across the vast, frozen landscape of Antarctica, our intrepid explorers discovered what life is like in this harsh environment and learned how animals survive in such freezing temperatures. Along the way, they came face to face with penguins of all shapes and sizes, spotted whales and seals swimming through icy waters, and even encountered the mighty albatross soaring above the ice. It was a thrilling and immersive experience, and a fantastic way to launch their new topic, *Ice, Ice, Baby!*

Year 6 Go Wild in the Rainforest!



Year 6 had an unforgettable start to their new geography topic, *Tales from the Treetops*, with a very special visit from Simon the Rainforest Explorer from the Explorer Academy. This exciting workshop was a fantastic hook into learning all about tropical rainforests and really captured pupils' imaginations from the moment they stepped into the "jungle".



The Jungle Explorer Workshop transformed the classroom into a rainforest setting, immersing pupils in the sights, sounds and stories of life beneath the canopy.



The workshop was engaging, informative and full of awe-and-wonder moments. It has sparked curiosity, deepened understanding and given Year 6 plenty to think and write about as they begin their rainforest topic. A huge thank you to Simon for bringing the rainforest to life—what an adventure!

Upcoming dates:

Monday 19th January – Y5 Online Safety Workshops

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership with our school. We are incredibly proud of our children and staff, and we look forward to sharing many more exciting learning moments with you in the weeks ahead.

Kindest regards,

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