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Friday 8th March 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Next week and the one after we're taking part in the **Big Walk** and Wheel! On each day of the challenge, schools compete to see who can get the highest percentage of their pupils walking, using a wheelchair, scooting or cycling to school. Our school's best five days will determine our final position. Please can you not park on the zig zag marks or bus stop outside the school as this causes Walton lane to be very congested. In school we will be running a competition between the classes to see who



walked or wheeled the most into school. Any child that walks or wheels further than Walton Lane will receive a point. The winning class will be announced on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

Please walk or wheel to school on as many days as possible during the event. If a car is your only option, you could park a few streets away from the school and walk the rest of the way (Park and Stride). Bikes can be wheeled through the school gates and around to the bike shed behind the trim trail. Scooters can be left in the shed in the reception outdoor play area. Please clearly label your child(ren)'s bike/scooter and helmet. Alternatively, why not get your kids to try the school walking bus? Details below.

## The Bosham Primary 'Walking Bus'

This fantastic initiative will restart for the spring/summer term on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March and will run weekly on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from Penwarden Way. The walking bus is a fun and active way for children to travel to school. Drop off is between 8.15 and 8.20am then adult volunteers escort the column of children wearing hi-vis tabards down Delling Lane and Green Lane to the school. You do not need to accompany your child but our ability to run it relies on parents volunteering every so often to ensure we have the adult-to-child ratio required.

### **Social Media**

As we try to share your children's learning with you throughout the day we are adding more pictures of the children onto our school Instagram page. We have already sent out permission forms but we would like to remind you that you can change these permissions whenever you want. If you would like to remove or alternatively give consent for this please can you contact the school office for a permission form office@boshamprimary.co.uk or alternatively download a form from our website <a href="mailto:here">here</a>.



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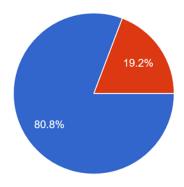
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## **Change of School Hours**

As you may be aware that the Government has published a mandatory change for schools to ensure they deliver 32.5 hours of education to pupils as a minimum expectation. This has to be undertaken by September 2023 so next term we will be moving our school times to come in line with this. Following our parent consolation that finished on the 9<sup>th</sup> February, it was clear the earlier start was the most preferred option.

My preferred school hours are





08:45 - 15:15 (gate open 08:30)08:55 - 15:25 (gate open 08:40)

This means we will be opening our gates at 08:30 every morning instead of 08:40 and register will close at 08:45. The finish time for all pupils will be 15:15 with our gates opening at 15:10 every day. We will be using the extra time in school to work on key mathematical and grammatical areas of need as well as undertaking spaced learning ('spaced practice') to embed key facts, concepts and information from across the curriculum. <a href="https://www.tes.com/magazine/tes-explains/what-spaced-learning">https://www.tes.com/magazine/tes-explains/what-spaced-learning</a>

Thank you to Mrs Mammatt who has very kindly made cooking aprons for the children to use. They are already being put to good use.





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## School PSHE Focus for next week – Have tried to keep themselves and others safe

#### Monday 11th March

- Walk or Wheel to school start encouraging pupils and parents to walk or cycle / scoot to school
- Science Week

## Tuesday 12th March

- Walking Bus Restarts
- Mr Clay Y5 & Y6 Aviation Assembly
- Bourne Festival 2- TAG Rugby Y2
- NFU Farmers for Schools visitor

### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March

Rock Steady in the hall

## Thursday 14th March

- Jane and Fizzy Lemon
- Science Celebration Assembly
- 14:40 Wayfarers (Y4) parents invited science exhibition
- Portsmouth University Scientist visitor

### Friday 15th March

- Y3 / Y4 Mr Morgado parent visitor
- YR, 1 & 2 Cake Sale

### Key dates for your diary

- Thursday 14th March Wayfarers (YR4) 14:40 parents/carers invited into school
- Monday 18th March Oppys (YR) to Tuppenny Barn details on MCAS
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March last swimming for Year 3 and Year 4
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March Year 5/6 swimming gala at Arun Leisure Centre (invitations have already been sent to the children involved)
- Thursday 21 March Future Flyers 3 (invitations have already been sent to the children involved)
- Wednesday 27 March Cross country finals @ Crawley
- Thursday 28 March Year 5 parents/carers invited to a Viking exhibition 14:45
- Friday 29 March Sunday 14 April Easter Holidays
- Monday 15 April Start of the summer term, children return to school
- Tuesday 23 April Dance House
- Monday 13 May Friday 17 May Year 6 SATS week
- Wednesday 3 July Transition day
- Thursday 4 July (evening) and Friday 5 July (afternoon and evening) Year 5 and Year 6 production

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