

# Bowerham Update



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## Inset Day

School will be closed tomorrow **Friday 5th December** for Inset Day. We re-open on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December.

## Christmas Dinner & Parties

**Nursery** Will have a Christmas Themed week starting Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Children will be playing Christmas themed games and eating Christmas themed snacks.

**KS1 (Years 1 & 2)** will have their party on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December**. The party will be in the afternoon, hopefully with a special visitor. Children in these classes can wear their own clothes for this.

**LKS2 (Years 3 & 4)** will have their Christmas Dinner and entertainment on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**. Children in these classes can wear their own clothes for this.

**UKS2 (Years 5 & 6)** will have their Christmas Dinner and entertainment on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**. Children in these classes can wear their own clothes for this.

**Reception** Will have their party on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**. The party will be in the afternoon, hopefully with a special visitor. Children in these classes can wear their own clothes for this.

## Food Bank Donations

If you are able to help with any donations for our local Food Bank to help them over the Christmas period our Pastoral Team will be delivering any we have collected on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025. Donations can be sent into school with your child as each class has their own donation bin.

## Secret Friend (Rec – Y6)

Each child has been given the name of a member of their class (which they needed to keep a secret!) to buy a gift for, to then place under the class Christmas tree. We ask that you please support your child to choose a thoughtful gift for their Secret Friend, labelled using their cracker. Presents need to be in by **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** at the latest.

## Wrapping Paper

Does anyone have any spare Christmas wrapping paper they can donate for our Present Room? It doesn't have to be full rolls. If you do, could you drop them at the school office by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December – any donations will be gratefully received.

## Christmas Gift Shop

Our Christmas Gift Shop, where your children can purchase small items for their loved ones for Christmas, will be held on the following days:

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Presents are only £1 each – only 2 presents per child.

## Christmas Gift Shop Donation

We have been extremely fortunate to receive another wonderful donation of gifts for our Christmas Gift Shop. Thanks to your contributions and the generosity of our anonymous benefactors, our children now have a lovely range of presents to choose from. Their thoughtful contributions have brought great joy to our children, and we are sincerely thankful for their continued support.

## Online Safety

Please look at our Online Safety Newsletters and other valuable advice / tips:

[Online Safety - Bowerham School](#)

## Open Day – 12<sup>th</sup> January

We are holding another Open Evening for any prospective nursery and Reception 26 parents on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 3.15–5.00pm. This is a 'drop-in' session; can you please pass this on to your family & friends who may be interested.

## Applying for School Places for September 2026

If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at:

[www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

(Please note there will be no paper application forms sent out)

It is quick and easy – and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings at your preferred school. The closing dates for applications for September 2026 are 11.59pm on:

- 15 January 2026 for Primary school applications

## Elf Run

On the 15<sup>th</sup> December we are holding an Elf Run. Each child will receive an elf hat and will take part in a fun run around school to raise as much money as possible for St. Johns Hospice.

There is an online video from St. Johns Hospice for more information - <https://youtu.be/UwD6sHXFmKI>

Bowerham sponsorship page -

<https://stjohnshospicelancaster.enthuse.com/pf/elf-run-bowerham-primary-school>

Copies of the sponsor form can be downloaded from:

[Reindeer Rush Sponsor Form 2025](#)

or from the school office.

## Bowerham School Foundation

We've had some great fundraising thanks to our supporters on #easyfundraising! If you're not signed up yet, please join today and raise free donations every time you shop online. Sign up to support us

today: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/bowerham-school-foundation/inrjab/c2s/FZ9Up2Ac/CE957/facebook/>

The Gift Aid declaration has now been amended to make it easier to complete.

The link to the declaration form and more information can be found on the Bowerham School Foundation page on our website: <https://www.bowerham.lancs.sch.uk/bowerham-school-foundation/>

## Community Noticeboard

Don't forget to look at our Community Noticeboard – this is where we put links to interesting clubs, fun things to do and local events happening outside of school.

[Community Noticeboard - Bowerham School](#)

