Borden Church of England Primary School
School Lane Borden Sittingbourne Kent

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Monday 19th October

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you had a wonderful weekend. The weather is certainly feeling more autumnal now.

Last week, Willow, Maple and Cherry classes had a fantastic time at 'Make it Groovy', creating artwork inspired by their class texts. 'Make it Groovy' provides an excellent opportunity for the children to learn through art, music and dance, and they thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Some of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils also took part in Bikeability at the beginning of the week. The programme teaches essential road-safety and cycling skills, helping children to prepare for the transition to secondary school and develop greater independence.

Today, with the support of the School Council, we have been selling poppies and other merchandise to raise funds for the Royal British Legion. Thank you for your generous donations. Next term, we will be supporting Children in Need, and we have already received some donations. Thank you once again for your support. Further donations can be made through the following JustGiving page: https://www.justgiving.com/page/borden-ce-primary-school.

We are pleased to invite you to our book fair, which will take place after school in the hall on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week. Your child will be bringing home information about the books available to purchase. A wide selection of books will be on sale, and payment can be made by card. The school will receive commission from the books sold and this will be used to purchase new books for the library and classrooms, helping us to further support and encourage children's reading.

We look forward to seeing you after school.

All the children have settled well into their new year groups, and we know that they are looking forward to a well-deserved rest over half term. Next term, we are looking forward to Parents Evening, Art Week, Parliament Week, Remembrance and Christmas!

Safeguarding

If you have **any safeguarding concerns** and the school is closed, please email **headteacher@borden.kent.sch.uk**. This email is checked regularly during term time and the holidays. For any other questions or queries, please email office@borden.kent.sch.uk.

We wish you all a restful half term and look forward to welcoming the children back next term on Tuesday 3rd November 2026

Warm regards,

Mrs Linton