



BOCKING NEWS

I am Ambitious, Respectful, Responsible, Engaged and I Persevere.
Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up

Friday 3rd March 2023

WHAT'S COMING UP

March

15th - Y5 Ration Cooking
17th - Comic Relief
22nd - 24th - Y6 Residential
28th - TLC
29th - Open Door
30th - TLC
30th - Y4 / Y5 Trip

April

3rd - 14th Easter Holidays

May

1st - Bank Holiday
8th - Kings Coronation
Bank Holiday
9th - 11th May Y6 SATS
26th - Non Pupil Day
29th - 2nd June Half Term

Stars of the Week

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

Jack (YR)

Winter (Yr 1)

Jake D (Yr 2)

Freya (Yr 3)

Jack (Yr 4)

Hope (Yr 5)

Beth (Yr 6)

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Mon - Me Time - Y1-Y6
Tue - Mindfulness - KS1
Wed - SCS Football Y1-Y3
Thu - SCS Football Y4-Y6
Friday KS2 Drama KS2
Friday Miss Lemon
Drama Club

Dear Parents and Carers,

This morning we had a very special visitor to our school. The Rt Hon James Cleverly MP joined us for the morning to take part in an Internet Legends assembly, tour of the school and meeting with the School Council.

The Rt Hon James Cleverly is the Conservative MP for Braintree, and has been an MP continuously since 7 May 2015. He also currently holds the Government post of Foreign Secretary. He was joined by Google Internet Legends ambassadors that led a whole school assembly on how to keep safe online. This was a brilliantly interactive and fun assembly that challenged the children's thinking on what they do online and how to keep themselves safe. The children excelled in their answers and were able to actively speak about what they already know about being safe.

Well done to Harper who was 'brave' and came up to the front to ask Mr Cleverly if he had the last clue to crack the code -which he did! The school has now received a certificate for participating in the Internet Legends programme and will be visited again to follow up on the work with the children in class.

Mr Cleverly then had a tour of the school, led by our Heads of School, Will and Rosie. They spoke eloquently about what we do in school and I know that he was very impressed by our class ambassadors that greeted him in each class to talk about their learning.

Our School Council then had the opportunity to ask Mr Cleverly some questions and discuss local issues that were important to them. Our councillors asked "How can we have greater community relations with businesses, theatres and local people which develop our aspirations for our future?" His answer has given us more to think about as he discussed the different kinds of businesses that are in our local area and which types of business we would want to link in with. Thinking about wider issues related to his Foreign Office and government role, our councillors asked "If you could make one change with immediate effect, what it would be?" and "Have you considered the knock-on effect for children due to the cost of living crisis?"

Our children were praised for their great questions and no question was 'dodged'! Our children's behaviour was also highlighted as being exemplary - especially when coming in and out of assembly. I was extremely proud of all our children today.

Another proud moment was from the beginning of the week when 10 children from year 5 & 6 took part in the Cross Country running event at Tabor. Long distance running is a discipline that requires determination and perseverance, they put in so much effort when running either the 1000m or 1500m. Well done to all our Cross Country athletes.

On Friday 17th March, we will be acknowledging Comic Relief Day. The School Council have worked together to choose a selection of themes and then all the children voted for their favourite. The children may come to school with silly hairstyles. We would ask that no permanent colours are applied for this, and any colour is washed out for the following day. Children can wear something on their head, create a different hairstyle or wear something in their hair for a donation to Comic Relief, red noses are also acceptable.

Finally a reminder that the parents evening booking system is now open - please access your Eschools account to make a booking for parents evening either on the 28th or 30th March.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Cagney



AR READERS

Quiz Scores:

Year 2 - Cleo, Amelia, Violet, Sonny, Noah, Ava, Linda

Year 3 - Ruben, Thomas, Leo, Lia

Year 4 - Brooklyn, Ellie-Mae

Year 5 - Lenny

Year 6 - Willow, Hollie

Year 6 are the word count winners with 654, 013 words

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



Winners - Darwin House - **Year 5**

Year 2 - Sonny

Year 3 - Katy

Year 4 - Daisy

Year 5 - Hope

Year 6 - Remi

Attendance

This week's class attendance:

EYFS: 94%

Year 1: 93%

Year 2: 97%

Year 3: 96%

Year 4: 92.5%

Year 5: 91%

Year 6: 95%

Target Attendance 95%

Notices

- Please inform the school of any medical issues your child has, if you have not already
- If your contact details have changed please let the office know

CLASSROOM NEWS...

YEAR EYFS

We returned from break to find a 'crime' scene. Someone had snuck in and eaten the bears porridge, and had left some clues to our next class story. The children were really intrigued by this, some pretended they were police officers and detectives looking for clues. It wasn't long before the class realised they were looking for Goldilocks! Since then, the children have really enjoyed retelling the story in their own words, using different props from the book. Next week we will begin using our story map, to create an action story. As it has been book week here at school, we have been talking lots about other books we enjoy reading too. We had a book quiz, where we had to guess the title of the fairy tale from the clues - we were very good at this and luckily guessed Goldilocks was an answer to one!



It has been another couple of busy weeks in Year 1. We have been learning about the history of Bocking, and this has included learning about when the school first opened and the punishments the children had when they misbehaved. In our Art lesson we explored the work of Andy Warhol and then got to recreate some art in his style. During Science, we went on a sense walk to use our senses to see what we could see, hear, taste, touch and smell. To celebrate world book day as a class, we were very lucky to get to watch a live zoom call with the author of This is Me.

YEAR 2

Year 2 had a fantastic world book day, based all around dragons and our class novel, The Boy Who Grew Dragons. Our close-up drawings of dragon eyes were particularly amazing. We have also enjoyed our science lessons on investigating waterproof materials, poor Paddington got quite wet! Our predictions were very accurate. We have really developed our understanding of division in maths and we have been working really hard to advance our reading comprehension skills.



This week's reading challenge...

Next week is Science Week, read a book about science or a scientist. Happy reading!
If you do, come and see Mrs Champney for a reading sticker!

