



BOCKING
PRIMARY SCHOOL

BOCKING NEWS

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Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up

Friday 18th November 2022

WHAT'S COMING UP

November

- 22nd- Parents evening 3:30-7pm
- 24th - Parents evening 3:30-5pm
- 29th - Phonics/Reading (Parents)- Year 2 - 11:30am
- 29th Nov - Phonics/Reading (Parents) - Year 1 - 1pm

December

- 2nd - Christmas bazaar 3-5pm
- 6th - Phonics/Reading (Parents) EYFS - 1pm
- 8th Christmas Jumper Day
- 14th - Whole School Xmas Dinner
- 14th - Celebration Assembly - 2:40pm
- 16th - Nativity - EYFS, Y1, Y2 - 2pm, at St Mary's Church, Bocking
- 19th - Christmas Carols Whole School 2:15pm at St Mary's Church
- 20th - Non Uniform Day

Stars of the Week

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

Luke (YR)

Phoebe (Yr 1)

Millie C (Yr 2)

Naveah (Yr 3)

Arham (Yr 4)

Hope (Yr 5)

Harrison (Yr 6)

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- Monday Out and About
- Tuesday Y5/Y6 Science
- Tuesday Y3/Y4 Coding
- Wednesday Y1/Y2 Art
- Wednesday SCS Y1-Y3
- Thursday SCS Y4-Y6
- Thursday KS2 Choir
- Thursday Y1/Y2 Disney
- Friday KS2 Drama KS2
- Friday Glee Y1-Y4

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week began with an INSET day for our teachers. All of the schools within our academy came together for Continuous Professional Development. The day was focussed on supporting children with SEND and our teaching team has come away with some new ideas, which we will be implementing in our school.

Our first block of Stave House is now complete and the children in EYFS and KS1 are very much looking forward to starting their next block of learning after Christmas. Over the next few weeks, during their music lessons, our EYFS and KS1 classes will begin to prepare for their upcoming nativities. Our choir are also rehearsing for a Christmas performance for our local care homes: The New Deanery Residential Care Home and St. Mary's Court Residential Care Home. Closer to December, during our singing assemblies, the whole school will also learn some Christmas carols in preparation for our whole-school carol service, which is being held at St. Mary's Church. Please see the 'what's coming up' section for these dates and get ready to hear some festive songs being sung around your house!

Keeping with the topic of Christmas, our PTSA are asking for volunteers to give up some of their time to support their upcoming Christmas Bazaar. PTSAs are comprised of volunteers (parents, teachers and members of the community) who work together to make the school a better place for children to learn. Our PTSA brings these volunteers together to strengthen the community and raise money to support the school with things that the school budget does not cover. Recent funds raised paid for the wall wraps in our new ICT suite- I'm sure you can agree that it is money well spent too! There is no experience needed and any amount of time that you can spare will help. It is a great opportunity to meet other parents from the school and contribute to our school community. If you are able to spare some time to help our PTSA then please do get in touch with them. You can do this by contacting the school office or emailing friendsofbockingschool@hotmail.co.uk

During last winter, we received feedback about the lack of lighting on the pathway from the carpark to the school. We, of course, agreed that it was very dark and needed light to increase our safety. We are delighted to report that we have secured lighting for this pathway and next week, the pathway will be lit. With the nights beginning to draw in so early now, this will be a benefit to our children who attend afterschool clubs.

Today, we celebrated Children in Need. Our children have worn spotty accessories for a voluntary donation to the cause. It has been lovely to see some Children in Need activities taking place in classes too. We raised £93.94, thank you for your generosity.

Finally, I would like to remind you all of the parents' evenings we have coming up next week. Our parents' evenings are a way for you to find out about your child's learning from both your child and their teacher. Your child will show you work that they are proud of and you will find out about their successes, their next steps in learning and how you can support your child at home. We do hope to see you there! (Please note that since the parents' evenings are held after school, we will be cancelling our after-school clubs on Tuesday and Thursday only next week.)

Have a good weekend,
Mrs Cagney



AR READERS

Quiz Scores:

Year 2 - Sonny, Kaiden, Ella-Rose, Noah

Year 3 - Isobel,

Year 4 - Richie

Year 3 are the word count winners with **39,638 words**

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



Winners - **Brunel House - Year 6**

Year 2 - **Amelia**

Year 3 - **Blake**

Year 4 - **Daisy**

Year 5 - **Charlie**

Year 6 - **Harrison**

Attendance

This week's class

attendance:

EYFS: 89%

Year 1: 92%

Year 2: 97%

Year 3: 97%

Year 4: 91%

Year 5: 94%

Year 6: 96%

Notices

- **Gates close at 8:50am, after 9:05 your child will be marked as late.**
- **Please ensure your child has a warm, waterproof coat every day.**

CLASSROOM NEWS...

Year EYFS

We have continued to explore the story of 'Owl Babies' this week, by creating an action story that we will be performing to our year six buddies. Alongside our story in literacy, Miss Freeman has challenged us with lots of phonics activities - our favourite was using the magnetic letters to write words in the play dough. In maths, we have been talking about different shapes. Miss Freeman was pleased to see how many we recognised. With shapes in mind, we looked at the artwork of Wassily Kandinsky and created some of our own, colourful shape pictures. They really were masterpieces!



Year 1

In Year 1, we have continued with our addition and subtraction work. The children are becoming very good at using part-whole models to help solve addition and subtraction problems. In English we have been story mapping 'Jack and the Beanstalk', we then made actions to go with the story to help us remember it. We are also busy working away with our nativity practice and the children are really beginning to showcase their excellent singing and dancing.

Year 2

Year 2 have written their own poem based on The Magic box. We focussed on creating our own adjectives to describe our favourite things/nouns. Here are our favourite lines:

I will put in my box:
 a shiny, rainbow unicorn
 an exciting, fun Christmas
 a Champion League football
 wet, colourful pens
 scrummy, delicious pizzas
 my loving, caring mum
 crunchy, purple chocolate
 cute, lovely dogs
 a fiery, red dragon
 cute, fluffy puppies
 a nice, good fox
 my fun, silly baby sister
 good, fun Roblox
 my cheeky, green elf
 snuggly, cuddly cats
 a naughty, red elf
 cool, smart toys
 yummy, chilled chocolate
 my black and white phone
 my pretty, fun teddies
 my crunchy, fun squishy
 my precious, purple book
 my scary ghost games
 a speedy, fast Lamborghini
 and my special birthdays!