

**COMING UP** 

23rd - Leavers

2nd/3rd - Non
Pupil Day

4th - Return to

17th - Meet the

• 18th - Meet the

19th - Meet the

• 24th EYFS/Y1 -

teachers Y5/Y6

teachers Y1/Y2

teachers Y3/Y4

**Phonics Workshop** 

• 11th - EYFS Parent

Meeting (details to

School

follow)

Assembly @ 9:30

July

Sept

# BOCKING NEWS I am Ambitious, Respectful, Responsible, Engaged and I Persevere.

Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up

# Friday 19th July 2024

#### Dear Parents, Carers,

As we approach the end of another exciting year at Bocking Primary School, I'm delighted to share with you some of the wonderful achievements from the year.

First and foremost, I'm thrilled to announce our House winners for this term. Congratulations to Franklin! As a reward for their hard work and team spirit, they will enjoy a non-uniform day on the last day of term. It's been wonderful to see the enthusiasm and camaraderie displayed by all our students throughout the house competitions. Secondly, both our girls and boys football teams came 2nd in their Braintree Leagues – a fantastic achievement for both teams.

This term has been marked by numerous other successes that truly reflect our school's commitment to providing an exceptional educational experience. We've maintained a clear focus on ensuring our curriculum meets the diverse needs of our pupils, adapting and refining our teaching methods to support every child's learning journey. I'm particularly proud of the high priority we've placed on regular attendance and good behaviour. Your support in this area has been invaluable, and the positive results are evident in our students' engagement and progress. Our absence rates continue to fall year on year and visitors comment on the positive behaviours seen across the school. This term we see 100% of children celebrating at the TOPS time celebration afternoon!

One of our key strengths continues to be the support we provide for pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Our dedicated SENDCo and staff team works tirelessly to ensure these students achieve well and reach their full potential. It's heartening to see the inclusive and supportive atmosphere that is created in our school community.

The respectful, kind, and tolerant attitudes our pupils show towards others is a testament to the values we instill at Bocking Primary. These qualities will serve them well as they grow and interact with the wider world and we remain committed to enriching our pupils' cultural experiences through a variety of engaging activities including music sessions, educational trips, and visits from interesting guests. These experiences help our students develop a broader appreciation for the world beyond our school gates, fostering curiosity and a love for learning.

All of this could not happen without the commitment and dedication of the staff here at Bocking and I would like to thank each one for their hard work often going above and beyond their roles.

As we look ahead, please note that children will return to school on Wednesday, 4th September. Please take note of the uniform expectations on the school website and ensure orders for logo items are made in good time for the start of term.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education.

Mrs Cagney Headteacher





#### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



# STAR OF THE WEEK

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to: Harley (EYFS) Kaiden (Yr 1) Rocco (Yr 2) Alice (Yr 3) Olivia B (Yr 4) Lavinia (Yr 5) Jasmine (Yr 6)

#### **AR READERS**

Year 2 - Rocco, Ryan, Reyan, Arrabella, Orin Year 4 - Stanley, James, Skylah Ruben Year 5 - Oliver J

### TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



WINNER: Franklin Year 4

- Year 2 Huxley Year 3 - Irene Year 4 - Blake Year 5 - Aaron
- Year 6 Lenny

#### ATTENDANCE

96.4% - Year EYFS 98% - Year 1 92% - Year 2 88% - Year 3 96% - Year 4 100% - Year 5 91% - Year 6 Attendance target 95%

# CLASSROOM NEWS... YEAR EYFS

We would like to begin by congratulating all the children on completing their first year of school! They have all made remarkable progress and have grown in many ways. This week, we have been busy refining subtraction skills in maths and have learned to use drawings to help us find the answers. In literacy, we have created a story map of "The Rainbow Fish" and can now talk through its sequence. Today, we spent our Enterprise money, and after deciding to purchase items for our Tops Time next year, the children also expressed a desire to donate the remaining money to charity. Mrs Pennington and I were deeply touched by this gesture, so together with the class, we voted to buy toys and food to donate to the RSPCA. What a kind and generous class we have!

# YEAR 1

It has been an amazing couple of weeks in Year 1. We have all been super busy with our learning as we have finished writing our Fairy Tale stories and we then got to share them with Year 2. This week we rehearsed and then performed our Opera song to the whole school and absolutely smashed it. In Science we carried out our last Season walk and talked about all the changes we have seen over the year. In Maths we have been learning how to describe position and direction and to help us with this we learnt the Cha-Cha Slide and the Hokey Cokey.

# YEAR 2

In English we are writing a recount on our sports day. We need to make sure we use our capital letters and full stops, because Miss Jordan said we are good at adjectives and similes. In spelling we are playing a spelling game called 'Karate Cats' where we need to use all our knowledge to help us get to a better level. In maths we are going back over money because we find it hard, we now know our pounds and pence and can work out how to make amounts of money to buy things. Our maths mastery has helped our learning because we are getting better at it and work well together. In Geography we answered our enquiry question 'Why do people move to Australia?' (Ellie) 'I would rather live in the UK because we don't have as many big spiders.' (Dylan) 'I would rather move to Australia, because it is hot. It is close to the equator which is an invisible line that goes through the middle of the earth'. We are excited to continue learning science next year because it is fun and learn lots of new stuff.

Written by class learning ambassadors: Ellie and Dylan