



# BOCKING NEWS

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

Friday 19th April 2024

## WHAT'S COMING UP

### May

- 20th - Y5 British Museum Trip
- 21st - EYFS/Y1 Call of the Wild
- 23rd - Open Door 2:30

### June

- 5th - Y6 Swimming x 6 wks
- 4th - Y3 - Botanicals Garden Trip
- 6th - Y4 Colchester Zoo Trip

### July

- 4th - Sports Day KS1 AM then picnic lunch for whole school, and KS2 PM
- 19th - Celebration Assembly
- 23rd - Leavers Assembly
- 9th - Y6 Production PM
- 10th - Y6 Production Evening

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

**Tue - Minime Mindfulness**

**Wed - SCS Football (Y1-Y4)**

**Thu - SCS Football Boys Y5/6 and Girls Y3-Y6**

**Fri - FITC Multi Sports**

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy and exciting first week back at Bocking Primary School, filled with engaging learning experiences and positive achievements.

Our classrooms have been buzzing with enthusiasm as students dive into their new class topics. From 'hook' days to tie-dyeing in Year 4, the creativity and curiosity of our students have been truly inspiring. I am looking forward to seeing the finished pieces that they have been working on.

In addition to classroom activities, our students have been enjoying cricket sessions led by Essex Cricket. It's wonderful to see them learning new skills and staying active. Furthermore, our Year 5 children have started their swimming lessons at Braintree Swimming Pool, gaining valuable water safety skills.

Next week, our Stave House music lessons will resume for the summer term, providing students with the opportunity to further develop their musical talents.

I am also thrilled to share some recent successes with you. Our boys' football team secured a fantastic home win against Notley Green with a score of 7-2. Both our boys' and girls' football teams will be playing away matches against White Court next week.

Today, our Head boy and girl represented Bocking Primary School at the Braintree Schools Eco Event 2024. They showcased our school's eco project, which aims to support the bee population in our local area. Thanks to their hard work, we were awarded £150 to continue spreading awareness and planting seeds to help our bee friends thrive.

Have a great weekend,  
Mrs Cagney

Safeguarding:  
For Parents - What is County Lines?

Grooming is often associated with sexual grooming, but as we all know the process of grooming can be used for a multitude of crimes where children and young people can be exploited.

Internet Matters have put together a really useful guide for parents explaining county lines, how children are targeted, how children may be vulnerable and some resources/support.

You can find the guide [HERE](#)



## STAR OF THE WEEK

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

**Harry (EYFS)**  
**Lily M (Yr 1)**  
**Aniamina (Yr 2)**  
**Isla (Yr 3)**  
**Scarlett (Yr 4)**  
**Brooklyn (Yr 5)**  
**Alfie (Yr 6)**

## AR READERS

Quiz Scores 100%

**Year 2** - Ellie, Alfie, Aniamina, Freddie

**Year 4** - Ruben, James Q, Lia

Word Count Winners

**Year 4**  
**88,676**

## TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



**WINNER: Brunel**  
**Year 2**

**Year 2** - Huxley  
**Year 3** - Irene  
**Year 4** - Willow  
**Year 5** - Richie  
**Year 6** - Hope

## ATTENDANCE

83% - Year EYFS  
 94% - Year 1  
 97% - Year 2  
 95% - Year 3  
 89% - Year 4  
 96% - Year 5  
 91% - Year 6

**Attendance target**  
**95%**

## CLASSROOM NEWS...

### YEAR EYFS

We have had a busy week back at school and have got back into the routine of learning with great enthusiasm! This week we have started our topic of 'Come Outside' and have begun thinking about all the things we would like to know about plants, farming, and springtime. We enjoyed exploring our book hook. We noticed a mysterious vegetable had grown in a plant pot, and none of us were sure what it was - only that it was a clue for our next story! Lots of us shared ideas about how it could have Mr McGregor's vegetables from Peter Rabbit or that perhaps it was a giant seed that would grow into a big tree.

### YEAR 1

We have had a great start to the term in Year 1. The children have been very engaged with their learning and in our History lesson yesterday they all asked lots of interesting questions about the different sources. In Math's we have been learning how to count in 2s, 5s and 10s and the children have been very keen to apply this into their learning.

### YEAR 2

This week in year 2 we have been exploring our new topics for the Summer term. In English we met 'Sunny the meerkat' who is the focus of our narrative writing and seeing where he has explored on his many adventures around Australia and Madagascar. In math we have started to explore fractions, looking at parts and wholes before introducing halves, we will continue to explore quarters next week. P.E this week has been really exciting for year 2, having their first cricket lesson on Tuesday with our sports coach Grace. They had to use a range of skills and developed on these further in our following lesson. Our Geography unit this term sparked a lot of questions and excitement, and we look forward to exploring different hot and cold places further over the following weeks.