

BOCKING NEWS

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

Friday 10th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to take a moment to celebrate the fantastic achievement of our Mixed Year 5&6 football team at the recent SCS tournament. I am incredibly proud of their hard work, positive attitude, and excellent sportsmanship. They came 2nd overall, which is a fantastic accomplishment!

I must give a shoutout to our Year 5 boys who really stepped up during the tournament and scored lots of goals. It is very exciting to see what our team can achieve over the year! And a big congratulations to Krystal, who was awarded the player of the tournament. Well done, Krystal!

In other news, we were lucky enough to have the Air Ambulance team visit our assembly this week. They shared with us the important work they do and how crucial their services are. I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated their coppers towards the Air Ambulance. Together, we raised a total of £65.89, which will go towards supporting their lifesaving missions.

Looking ahead, please remember to book your appointments for next week's TLCs (Termly Learning Conference) via eSchools. These conversations provide valuable opportunities for you to discuss your child's progress, goals and how you can support at home. Your involvement is crucial in supporting your child's education, so please make sure to book your appointment.

On the topic of online safeguarding, it is important for us to be aware of how to protect our children's personal information when they are using social media apps, games, and other online platforms. Sharing information online can be risky, as we can never be sure who has access to it. To help you navigate this topic, I encourage you to read the parent's guide to personal information and how to protect it. It provides valuable information and advice on supporting your child to make safe choices online. <u>https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/parents-guide-to-personal-information2/</u>

If your child has accidentally shared something online that they regret, please don't panic. We have resources available to help you support your child through this situation. You can find advice on how to handle it here:

<u>https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Concerned-about-your-child/Online-contact-and-staying-safe/</u>

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Together, we can ensure the success and well-being of our children.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Cagney

Message from our pupils...

Yesterday, we saw a volunteer from The Essex and Herts Air Ambulance service. He told us a lot about who flies in the helicopter and some interesting facts about how fast and how high the helicopter can fly. It can go 150mph and it flies at about 300m high. The helicopter is called a flying hospital because it has everything a hospital has, but in a very small space. We all made pictures out of copper coins and it was very fun! **We raised £65.89**

By Pupil School Council members, Olivia B and Elliot

Winning picture- Year 1- Helicopter Winning fundraising amount- Year 5!



WHAT'S COMING UP

November 13th - New Admission 2024/25 EYFS Tours 9am or 11am 14th - TLCs 3.30 - 17.30 16th - TLCs 3.30 - 1900 W/C 13th - No celebration assembly this week 17th - Non Pupil Day **December** 7th - Christmas Jumper Day 11th- EYFS/YR 1 Nativity 10am - At St Mary Church (more details to follow) 12th - EYFS/YR 1 Nativity **2pm At St Mary Church** (more details to follow) 13th - Whole school **Christmas dinner** 18th - Carol service whole school St Mary's Church -2pm

20th - Christmas Break

<u>Notices</u> Please ensure healthy snacks are given in childrens packed lunches.

We are a nut free school. Nutella bars or spread must not be given to your child for snack, or in their packed lunch

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Tuesday - Girls Football KS2 Tuesday - CheerleadingY2-Y6 Tuesday - Film Club Y1/Y2 Wednesday - SCS Y1-Y3 Thursday SCS - Y4-Y6 Thursday - Netball KS2

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STAR OF THE WEEK

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to: Lucy (EYFS) Olivia (Yr 1) Millie (Yr 2) Lucas (Yr 3) Thomas (Yr 4) Arham (Yr 5) Hope (Yr 6)

AR READERS

Quiz Scores 100%

Year 2 - Winter Year 3 - Levi, Amelia Year 4 - Freddie, Ann-Mary, Thomas, James R Year 5 - Aaron, Kaya Word Count Winners Year 5 697,064

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



WINNER - Franklin HOUSE - Year 5 Year 3 - Kaiden Year 4 - Katy Year 5 - Hugo Year 6 - Corey

ATTENDANCE

90% - Year EYFS 96% - Year 1 96% - Year 2 100% - Year 3 95% - Year 4 91% - Year 5 95% - Year 6

Attendance target 97%

CLASSROOM NEWS...

YEAR 3

Last week, Year 3 had some new visitors, who we have been looking after. Our focus this term is writing non-chronological reports, so we are starting to think about how we might describe our own dragons ready for that. We have been working on descriptive language and sentence openers to make our reading as exciting as possible. Here are some examples: "My dragon is as sweet as a juicy apple, even though it doesn't look sweet." "My dragon is as yellow as a glittery star in the middle of the night." "Surprisingly, my dragon only eats ice cream, chocolates, doughnuts and pizza." "Interestingly, my dragon lives for 9000 years and my dragon can sleep for 23 years and it can eat for 19 years." We can't wait to share our finished reports with you so you can find out more about our dragons.



YEAR 4

In Year 4, we have been studying newspaper reports and have drawn pictures and made up actions to help us memorise the report all about The Creakers. In Maths, we have been working on our 3, 6 and 9 times table by using numicon and counters. We love our new PE topics of Gymnastics and Swimming! PE is one of our favourite lessons! In Science, we became solids, liquids and gases and moved around the classroom so we were spread about or we were squashed together like penguins. **By Learning ambassadors, Ann-Mary and Leo**

YEAR 5

In English, we have been learning about newspapers, our model text is all about a dragon on the loose in Bocking! We practised being news reporters and gathered the key information from the text. We have been making actions to help us remember the news report and the children can confidently retell the text. In Maths, we have been continuing our learning on Multiplication and Division looking at factors, multiples, prime numbers and squared numbers. In History, we have continued our learning on the Saxons and the Vikings. This week, we learnt about the mystery of Sutton Hoo and who could have been buried at the famous ship burial.



YEAR 6



This week, Year 6 have begun a new topic on fractions. We have learnt how to simplify fractions and place them on to number lines. Ask us to find 3 equivalent fraction of 3/4. In English, we have internalised our new text which is a biography about Winston Churchill. We have also supported EYFS in life skills by teaching them partner play and multiple adults across the school reported back to Mrs Flack about how responsible, patient and kind we were in this session too! In P.E., we have learnt about all of the types of rolls. Mrs Flack was very proud to see the majority of us conquer our fears and attempt the backward rolls when aided down a slope.