

WHATS COMING UP

- 9th May - Class Photos
- 9th -13 May Year 6 SATS week
- 23rd May - EYFS/KS1 Boydells Farm Visit
- 24th May - Year 1 Kings and Queens

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- Monday Out & About (fully booked)
- Tuesday - Art Club
- YR - Y2
- Wednesday - Glee Club Y1 - Y6
- Wednesday - SCS Multi Sport - Y1 & Y2
- Thursday SCS Football - Y3 - Y6
- Thursday - Choir Club Y3 - Y6

Stars of the Week

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

Noah (EYFS)
Alice (Yr 1)
Blake (Yr 2)
Oliver P (Yr 3)
Charlie (Yr 4)
Megan (Yr 5)
Bella (Yr 6)

BUSTLING BOCKING MAY DAY

Wow! What a May Day we had here at Bocking. Our PTSA spent many hours prepping the stalls and organising the external vendors ready for what was the 'return of the Bocking May Fayre'. With the unexpected sunshine and the public desperate to start spending, we opened the gates early and the crowds flooded in. Our Tombola sold out in record time as did the teddy stall and as for the BBQ - the queue spread across the field it was so popular and the band The Thunderbolts made their debut at the fayre, the first time they have played in public in over 2 years.

A huge thanks must go to all the PTSA volunteers who put the fayre together before and on the day, especially Mrs Regan who played a vital role in the organisation of whole the day. I am very pleased to report that the PTSA raised over £3,000 for the school which will go towards improving the facilities and the learning opportunities for the children. The PTSA are always on the lookout for more volunteers who can help and support with events, please get in touch with friendsofbockingschool@hotmail.co.uk if you would like to join them.

In other news, our Yr 5 class went back in time to the Victorian era and their classroom was transformed into a class with chalk boards, ink wells and a strict class master. They had a fantastic day of learning and immersing themselves in the Victorian time period as part of their curriculum learning.

As mentioned last week we will be hosting two Sports events this summer term. Our KS2 Finals afternoon will be on Wednesday 29th June. Parents will be invited to the afternoon part of the event. Our whole school House Match Sports day will be on Wednesday 6th July: KS1 am - family picnic between 12-1pm - KS2 pm.

A reminder that PE kit should be a plain white t-shirt and dark blue or black shorts. Tracksuits should also be plain black or dark blue - clothing with logos/slogans are not appropriate as PE kit and should not be worn to school as per our uniform policy. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit.

Home work has been posted on the school website for this term. Please encourage your children to complete at least 1 piece of homework each week and bring it in to school.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Cagney





AR READERS

Quiz Scores:

Year 2 - Olivia B, Lacey, James R, James Q, Katy, Elliott

Year 3 - Billy, Maximus

Year 5 - Douglas

Year 6 - Bella, William Maisie

Year 6 are the word count winners with **443,982 words**

Attendance

This week's class

attendance:

EYFS: 95%

Year 1: 83%

Year 2: 95%

Year 3: 87%

Year 4: 96%

Year 5: 97%

Year 6: 89%

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



Winners

Year 3

House winners

Brunel

Y2- Blake

Y3- Arham

Y4- Lenny

Y5- Sam

Y6- Bella

REMINDERS

School gates close at

8:50am, your child will be marked late after 8:55am

CLASSROOM NEWS

From Year 3

Year 3 have been looking at persuasive writing in English and are looking at the various techniques we can use to persuade others. In Maths we have begun to learn about fractions and understand what fraction notation means. We have planted some potatoes in bags outside our classroom and some pea seeds in pots which we are keeping in the classroom until the weather is a little warmer at night. We were amazed to see the tops of the potato plants coming out of the soil, we have covered them up now so the shoots will keep growing and increase our potato crop. Our pea seeds were a real surprise because they have sprouted and are growing out of the soil less than one week after we planted them. We can't wait to watch them grow and are looking forward to harvesting and eating our crops before the summer holidays.



From Year 4

This week we have been learning all about biographies and have been practising one about Henry VIII. We used actions and pictures to help us retell it. We are now researching facts about William Shakespeare, so we can write our own biography. In history, we have been learning about the War of the Roses and found out about Henry VIII's many wives!

From Year 5

History off the page visited Year 5. The morning began with a role play Victorian classroom. The children were dressed as Victorian children and entered the class, sitting by gender. They were told to greet using curtsies and bows, and to address adults by asking to speak. We then discussed the differences between Victorian school to today, corporal punishment, no electricity, slate boards and ink pens; no talking to one another during lessons, mistakes were not tolerated, children were to be seen and not heard. The children were pleased how much we have changed in modern schooling!



From Year 6

Year 6, we are now deep into revision for our SATS assessments next week. Everyone is working hard, keen to succeed and show all their hard work and achievements from across the year. Well done to everyone revising at home and coming to SATs club, it shows real dedication to your education. We are all very proud of you. Alongside the SATs preparation, we are beginning our topic on Climate Change and our Talk for Writing sequence this half term is writing biographies, so this week we are planning and drafting a biography on David Attenborough. We look forward to publishing these and sharing them with David Attenborough via Twitter!



This week's reading challenge is...

Read a book with a number in the title or a book with a child as the main character.