

BOCKING NEWS

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Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up

Friday 14th January 2022



**BOCKING
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

WHATS COMING UP

8th February - KS1 Mobile Zoo

14th - 18th February - Half
Term

28th February - Years 1 -6
VR Day (details to follow)

KS2 Hockey Tournament

REMINDERS

We ask that children only
wear stud earrings into
school please.

Please ensure that long
hair is tied up

Stars of the Week

KS1 certificates were
presented to:
Aniamina (EYFS)
Sony (Yr 1)
Stanley (Yr 2)

KS2 certificates were
presented to:
Alan (Yr 3)
Alfie (Yr 4)
Merissa (Yr 5)
Orla (Yr 6)

FIRST FULL WEEK WHIZZ'S BY....

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another full week of learning has gone by and more amazing work has been produced, including some fantastic winter poems written by year 1. We also had another visit from the Trust this week and further improvements were recognised. I would like to thank the staff team for the huge amount of effort they put in to their work every day.

Lost Property

Last term we displayed the huge amount of lost property at the end of the school day next to the school gates and very little was claimed. It has been bagged up and stored to distinguish from this term's loss. There were a number of good quality new cardigans and jumpers amongst the items – surely someone is missing their brand new cardigan! If your child's name is written on the items, it is always returned to them, however all of these items are unnamed!

House Captains

At the end of last term we asked our year 6 children to apply to be a House Captain. We had lots of entries with some exceptionally well worded applications which made our decision very difficult. The Senior Leadership Team have chosen the following children to lead their Houses:

Brunel – Ellie-May and Tristan

Franklin – William and Kallie

Kingsley – Charlie and Ashton

Darwin – Archie and Ruby

School Competitions

Our year 6s have also been deciding on some whole school competitions that we can run so that all children can contribute. If you have an ideas for House competitions we would welcome ideas – please let the office know by emailing your ideas in to admin@bockingstreet.essex.sch.uk

Homework & Clubs

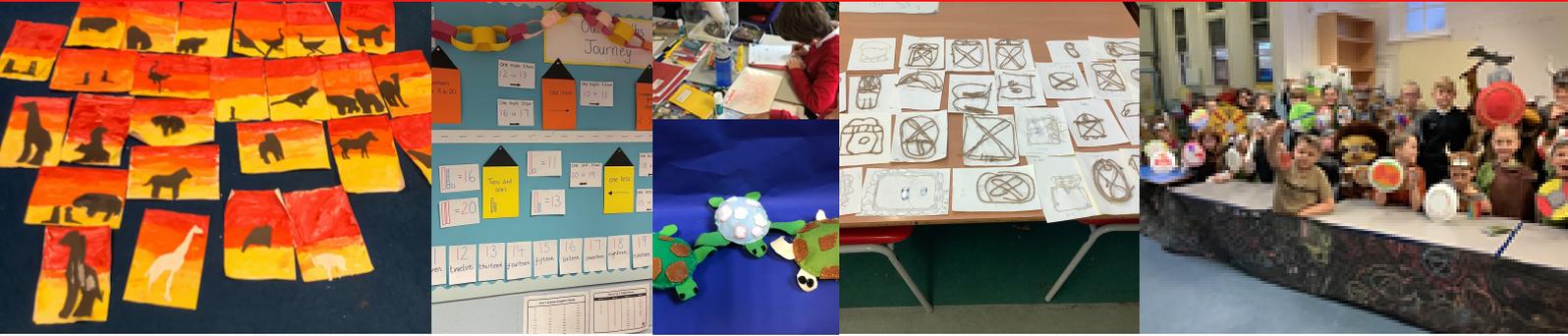
The spring term homework generator is now uploaded on our website. All activities are levelled by the Sail-Ometer. 1 sail activities are accessible by all children, as you add more sails the more challenging the activity is!

We are building new clubs into the school day. This week we saw the start of KS2 Choir for Years 4–6, on a Wednesday lunchtime and starting on Monday is KS1 Reading and Rockstars club. Please ask you child to speak to their teacher for more information.

Medical Matters

Thank you for continuing to LFT your children regularly so that we can keep the number of cases low in school and continue to keep the school running as near to normal as we can. Fially please can we ask that you check your child(ren's) hair for headlice, and treat accordingly.

Mrs Cagney



CLASSROOM NEWS

From EYFS

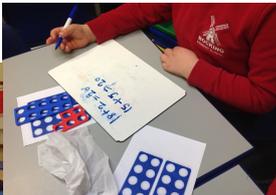
This week EYFS have been busy in groovy groups exploring colour mixing. We learnt how to squeeze a little bit of primary colour paint into a mixing tray and then blend with another primary colour. The primary colours are red, yellow and blue. We could make lots of other colours.



From Year 1

In Maths this week Year 1 have been finding number bonds to 20. We have used numicon and 20 frames to help us.

In English we have been exploring our senses and are writing our own senses poem all about Winter. We have been busy with our circuit training in PE and have started a new book called 'The Day the Crayons Came Home' in whole class reading, we cannot wait to read it all to find out what has happened to the crayons!



From Year 2

Year 2 have been exploring the world's continents and oceans. We have worked on our map skills to locate the North and South Pole and we found the UK. We have been developing our fitness in PE by completing exercises such as press ups and Russian twists. In English, we have learned The Enormous Crocodile story with actions- ask your child to show you. In Maths, we have been using all sorts of manipulatives to help us solve multiplication questions and we have identified how to care for a pet in Science.

From Year 3

Year three have ventured deeper into Ancient Egypt this week we have loved reading Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx and we have been using this to inspire our writing. We have discovered lots of new information about the different Egyptian Gods. In our Science lesson we have been investigating forces. We looked at how far toy cars travelled on different surfaces. We loved the chance to carry out a science investigation for ourselves.

AR Readers

Year 4 read 418,683 words this week.

100% Reading Quiz Scores:

- Year 2 - Olivia B, Freddie, Thomas, Leo, Poppy, Willow, Ann-Mary, James, Skylah
- Year 3 - Bobby, Jaskirat
- Year 5 - Hollie
- Year 6 - Alfie, Sophia, Charlie, Rihanna, Ellie-May, Bella, Maisie, Ana

Attendance

This week's class attendance:

- EYFS: 94%
 - Year 1: 95%
 - Year 2: 96%
 - Year 3: 92%
 - Year 4: 88%
 - Year 5: 91%
 - Year 6: 95%
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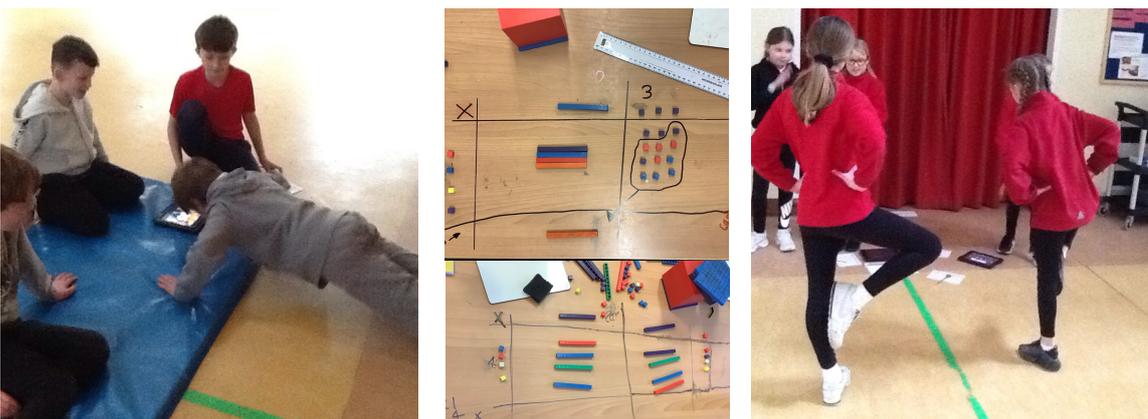
From Year 4

In Year 4 we have been learning all about electricity. In Science, we were given lots of equipment and we had to see if we could make the bulb light up. We then had challenges like making a buzzer work, trying to make 2 bulbs light up and to see if we could spot the mistakes in the electric circuits. It was great fun and we loved to explore and experiment with the equipment.



From Year 5

This week Year 5 have been building up to using long multiplication. We have used base ten and place value counters for short multiplication before learning how to multiply a 2 digit number by a 2 digit number, using them too. We then learnt the area model before moving on to long multiplication. In PE, we did our first fitness session. We worked in groups to complete our circuit training and recorded our times. We will compare these in the last week of half term to record our progress.



From Year 6

Year 6 have visited Bocking Cemetery this week to look at the location of a memorial garden which the whole school will be involved in, painting stones to decorate the children's area of this memorial garden. It was interesting to see the location and layout and to also find the war graves and discuss these in relation to our last topic of Building Bocking. We have also been studying the author Malorie Blackman in English and have read two of her books already, empathising with character and discussing themes which run through these stories. In Art we have looked at the work of David Hockney and will be creating some Pop Art of our own next week.