

BOCKING NEWS

Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up
Friday 15th October



NEW MARKINGS PAVE WAY FOR TRADITIONAL PLAYGROUND GAMES.

This week we have had some companies in to quote for new playground markings. These new markings will give our play leaders an opportunity to become more responsible during break and lunchtimes and to lead games and activities for other year groups. We believe that by improving our outdoor environment we will be able to give the children more opportunities to play traditional playground games as well as create their own imaginative play in a constructive way. Keep a look out for the new markings!

The job of a play leader is extremely important: as a Play Leader the year 6 children will be responsible for ensuring a fun, active, stimulating and safe place for children to freely play as well as leading specific activities; adapting their skills and experience to work with different age ranges. Our prefects are also play an important role in ensuring that they are being role models across the school for all our children.

New Houses

Next term we will be looking at naming our houses. Each child is assigned to a house when they join the school and currently have a colour as the way of differentiating the houses from each other. We will be using famous historical figures as the house names which will be revealed after half term along with the values.

Staffing Update

We are pleased to share with you that Mrs Rathe has been appointed as our new Catering Manager. She is very enthusiastic about offering the children a new menu after the half term break. Mrs Crow has now joined as our new Catering Assistant.

This afternoon we said 'Bon Voyage' to Mrs Etheridge as she leaves Bocking School to emigrate to the United States. We thank her for her contribution to our school and wish her and her family all the very best in their new adventure.

Next Week

As we come to the last week of this half term, we want to ensure that we still hold high expectations for attendance. Please make sure that your children are arriving on time and completing the full school day so that they do not miss out on any learning opportunities.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Cagney.

Stars of the Week

In KS1, teachers presented certificates to:
Tyler (Yr 1) and Aimee (Yr 2).

Miss Beard presented Aniamina (EYFS) with her certificate in class.

In our KS2 Celebration assembly this afternoon certificates were presented to:
Maximus (Yr 3), Corey (Yr 4), Henry (Yr 5) and Rihanna (Yr 6).

WHATS COMING UP

Year 6 Ancient Greek Day 18th October

EYFS Super Hero Day: 19th October

Half Term Week: 25th-29th October

REMINDERS

Please remember that leave in term time is not authorised unless exceptional circumstances are given. You must complete the Leave of Absence form 10 days before leave

Please label all lunchboxes, bottles and clothing with your child's name and year

Next week is Menu 2



CLASSROOM NEWS

From Year 6

This week in Year 6 we have been coming to the end of our Ancient Greek topic and linking this with our sequence of work in English. We have researched what life was like for the Ancient Greeks, their culture, clothing and buildings in preparation for our Ancient Greek day next week. We have read the story of the Trojan Horse and we are using this to now write a newspaper report. On Thursday we went out in to the outdoor learning are and used the tarpaulin and wood to create our own Trojan horse and then role played the events. We have used hot-seating to interview a Greek soldier and the responses from this will be used in our report using direct and indirect speech. Here are a few photos from the events of this week.



From Year 4

Year 4 have been working incredibly hard in Maths this week. We have been looking at using column method to add and subtract 4 digit numbers. Some of the questions were very tricky with the children needing to do several exchanges and the children all demonstrated great resilience. In English we have been studying a poem called The River. We have been writing our own version and will be continuing with our writing on Monday. You might even get to see a sample in next week's newsletter!

From EYFS

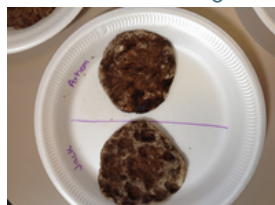
This week we have been learning the book Goldilocks and the tree bears. The children have made their own cereal to feed the bears and hunted the bears outside!

In maths we have been pattern making using resources



From Year 3

We have been fossil making! We made cast fossils using plaster of paris and clay. Mould fossils using salt dough, and created amber using orange jelly and sweets



AR Readers

Year 6 read 396,605 words this week.

100% Reading Quiz Scores:

Year 2 - Stanley, Freddie, Olivia, Louis, Elliot, Lia

Year 3 - Hugo, Mia Rose, Poppy, Kaya

Year 4 - Evan, Amelia-Lily

Year 5 - Michael, Imogen

Year 6 - Emma, Maisie, Ana Laura, Sam



Attendance

This week's class attendance:

EYFS: 91%

Year 1: 96%

Year 2: 93%

Year 3: 93%

Year 4: 88%

Year 5: 95%

Year 6: 91%