



BOCKING
PRIMARY SCHOOL

BOCKING NEWS

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

Friday 13th January 2023

WHAT'S COMING UP

February

2nd - EYFS Super Hero Day
3rd - Y6 Residential Meeting Parents - 3:15
6th - Mental Health Week
7th - Open Door
8th - Y6 Museum Day
10th - Non Pupil Day
13th - 17th Half Term

March

17th - Comic Relief
22nd - 24th Y6 Residential
30th - Open Door

April

3rd - 14th Easter Holidays

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a wonderful start to the term with the children going straight into their learning with their new topics. Our English lead, Mrs Champney, has been visiting classrooms this week and has seen some great learning in phonics. Our new phonics programme, Success for All, is showing real impact and the children are enjoying learning to read. You can find out more about our phonics programme by heading to the parent resources page on their website:
<https://parents.fft.org.uk/>

We are proud to say that we have received our Commitment Pledge from Healthy Schools Essex, this means that we are committed to tackling inequalities and improving the health and wellbeing of the children and young people and families within our community.

Alongside this we have also completed our Speak Out & Stay Safe programme with the NSPCC. Our children took part in workshops and assemblies on how they can keep themselves safe and who to speak to if they felt worried. This is hugely important, especially when so much of their social lives are spent online - did you know that one in five children between the age of 10 and 15 in England and Wales experiences at least one form of cyberbullying. Please keep an eye on your children's devices and social media use as they are often using these behind closed doors! You can find advice on how to tackle this at home on our website and at:
www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk.

During the week commencing 30th January, we will be celebrating National Storytelling Week. National Storytelling Week takes place every year and is a celebration of the power of sharing stories. Stories teach us about the world, they allow us to step into someone else's shoes and feel empathy, they help us to relax and escape and they can help develop essential literacy skills. To celebrate storytelling week, we have created a fantastic programme of events and resources that will enable the children to go on a journey from listening to stories to becoming young storytellers themselves. This includes the chance to join in a live storytelling event with professional storyteller and author Wendy Shearer for KS1 and KS2.

We have added some new parent resources to the website to help you read with your children at home. These booklets can be found on the parents link on the website under 'Curriculum resources for home'. This will be added to over the term so that you have a bank of resources that you can dip into when supporting learning at home. We hope you find this useful.

If you have any suggestions about what would be helpful to use at home, please let us know so we can add useful resources to the school website.

Mrs Cagney

Stars of the Week

Certificates were presented in our celebration

assembly to:

Kaiden (YR)

Bethany (Yr 1)

Noah (Yr 2)

Lia (Yr 3)

Ellie (Yr 4)

Maya (Yr 5)

Rosie (Yr 6)

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Mon - Me Time - Y1-Y6

Tue - Mindfulness - KS1

Wed - SCS Football Y1-Y3

Thu - SCS Football Y4-Y6

Friday KS2 Drama KS2

Friday Miss Lemon

Drama Club



AR READERS

Quiz Scores:

Year 2 - Sonny, Albert

Year 3 - Isobel, Lia

Year 3 are the word count winners with 7,976 words

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



Winners - **Brunel**
House - **Year 5**

Year 2 - Zachary

Year 3 - Freddie

Year 4 - Richie

Year 5 - Charlie

Year 6 - Remi

Attendance

This week's class attendance:

EYFS: 91%

Year 1: 89%

Year 2: 93%

Year 3: 93%

Year 4: 87%

Year 5: 92%

Year 6: 91%

Notices

- **If you have changed personal details, or contact details please ensure you inform the school office.**

CLASSROOM NEWS...

YEAR EYFS

This week we started our new Superheroes topic. We have enjoyed pretending to be a superhero in our Superheroes HQ and have explored our new class story 'Supertato.' Our curiosity cube gave us lots of clues about the story and inspired some of us to make our own 'Supertato', to save the carrot and broccoli from the evil pea. Some of us even wrote a speech bubble for the characters, asking for help. Alongside this, the children have enjoyed experimenting in our capacity tuff tray, using lots of fantastic mathematical vocabulary that will help us in our maths next week.



YEAR 1

This week in year 1 has been very busy with all our learning. We have been busy trying lots of different fruits that we wouldn't normally eat. We started our computing lessons and the children have really enjoyed going to the ICT suit for their lessons. In English we started our new story and have been creating actions and story maps to go with the story. Lastly we had our project week homework handed in and the class have again excelled themselves with the effort they have put into their work. All the children should be so proud of the work they have produced this week.

YEAR 2

Year 2 have loved beginning their Great Fire of London topic. We have set enquiry questions for what we want to find out and we have placed the fire onto our class timeline. We are really enjoying our English text, Alfie's Star, and particularly liked role playing as the characters and guessing who we were. We are working hard in maths to add money together and compare amounts such as would you rather have a £1 coin or 50 1p coins.