



BOCKING NEWS

Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up
Friday 25th April 2025

WHAT'S COMING UP

May

5th - May Day Fayre

22nd - Open Door at 2:45

23rd - Celebration

Assembly at 9:05

June

2nd/3rd - Y6 Bikeability

10th - Y3 Botanicals Trip

11th - KS2 House Athletics

Finals

18th - Wilderness EYFS/Y1

24th - Y4 Colchester Zoo

July

3rd Sports Day - AM

KS1/PM KS2

9th - Summer Music

Concert 5pm

14th - School reports

22nd - Y6 Leavers

Assembly at 9am

22nd - Y6 Leavers Tea at

10am

22nd - PTSA Big Bounce

3:30-5pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

The first week back has certainly been a busy one- it has been filled with exciting updates and achievements.

Firstly, we are proud to announce that our school was invited to attend an Eco-event aimed at securing funding for an ecological initiative. This opportunity allowed our Year 3 children to showcase their creativity and hard work. They wrote and recorded an eBook, which was beautifully illustrated with stunning photography and digital art. The effort that went into this project was remarkable, and it was heartwarming to see the children so engaged in the process. Freddy and Luca took the lead in presenting their project during the event, and they did an outstanding job. Their enthusiasm left a lasting impression on the judges, who were blown away by the quality of the eBook. We are delighted to announce that our school successfully secured £130 in funding for a new wormery for Florentina's Garden. This exciting addition will not only enhance our ecological efforts but also provide valuable learning opportunities for our pupils, allowing them to explore and understand the importance of sustainability and biodiversity in a hands-on manner.

In another highlight, our girls' football team recently participated in their first match of the girls' football league against Rayne. The excitement surrounding this match was palpable, and we were incredibly proud of how our team performed. The girls demonstrated exceptional teamwork and perseverance on the pitch, showcasing their skills and determination. The parents and adults who attended commented on the girls' effort and resilience, as well as their dedication and sportsmanship. It was wonderful to witness the camaraderie and support among the team members. This match not only marked a significant milestone for our girls' football team but also reinforced the importance of physical activity and teamwork in developing confidence and character. We are looking forward to more matches in the future and are excited to see how our team continues to grow and improve.

As our pupils continue to develop, so does our school! Over the Easter break, we initiated several changes that will enhance the learning environment for our children. One of the most notable improvements is the installation of new windows throughout the school. Additionally, our EYFS outdoor area has been jet-washed and is now sparkling clean, preparing for the installation of new learning huts funded by the PTSA. These huts will provide additional outdoor learning spaces that are crucial for our youngest pupils as they explore and engage with their environment. We are also thrilled to report that Florentina's memorial garden has made tremendous progress. This garden is a special project, and we look forward to announcing its grand opening in the coming weeks. The garden will serve as a peaceful space for reflection and learning, and we are excited to see it come to fruition.

In light of our upcoming events, we are seeking volunteers to support our May Day Fayre. This event is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together and celebrate. We would greatly appreciate any amount of time you can offer to help with stalls or activities during the fayre. Your involvement not only enriches the experience for our pupils but also fosters a sense of community among parents, staff, and students. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the members of the PTSA via the school office. Your support is invaluable in making this event a success, and we are grateful for your willingness to contribute.

Have a wonderful weekend!
Mrs Cagney

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Mon - Choir

Tue - STEM

Wed - SCS Gymnastic

Thu - SCS Football

Fri - KS2 Taekwondo

Polite Reminder:

The school toilets are
closed for cleaning
from 3:20.



STAR OF THE WEEK

EYFS - Izzie

Year 1 - Monty

Year 2 - Emilia

Year 3 - Millie

Year 4 - Sonny

Year 5 - Thomas

Year 6 - Jack

CLASSROOM NEWS...

YEAR EYFS

This week in EYFS, we've been having lots of fun with odd and even numbers! Mrs Pennington turned our classroom into a number treasure hunt, hiding Numicon pieces for us to find. We had a great time sorting them into odd and even mixing bowls - we were amazing at it! After that, we made clever predictions about which pieces would end up in each bowl and explained how we knew. As if that wasn't exciting enough, we had some wriggly little visitors - tadpoles! Their arrival led to a surprise science lesson, where we learned all about the fascinating life cycle of a frog.

AR READERS

Year 3 - Oliver, Anthony

Year 4 - Isla

ATTENDANCE

92%- Year EYFS

96% - Year 1

92% - Year 2

96% - Year 3

97% - Year 4

98% - Year 5

97% - Year 6

**Attendance target
95%**

Please can we remind you that only stud earrings are to be worn, and no other jewellery.

YEAR 1

It has been a great start to the summer term in Year 1. We began the week by looking at our new topic enquiry question which is 'What is significant about my local area?' We explored different types of sources and realised that Mr Leonard wasn't teaching us about mayo and ketchup but instead was all about looking and examining photos and books from the past. In Maths we have started to look at Multiplication and Division and this week have been counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s.

In English we have used the short video clip 'Embarked' to inspire our creative writing skills to form new and interesting sentences and stories. We had our season walk, exploring the changes in the school environment and we noticed lots of new plants growing and trees budding.

YEAR 2

This week in English we have been practicing punctuation and writing about a cartoon involving a meerkat and a vulture. It is very funny, and we have enjoyed it. In maths we have looked at unit and non-unit fractions. A unit fraction is when the numerator is 1, and a non-unit fraction is when the numerator is any number bigger than 1. We have found this tricky at times, but we know we can keep practicing. In science we learnt about things that are alive, dead or never been alive. We used MRS GREN to help us work it out. Our art this week was fun, we designed our own animal sculptures which we are going to make out of clay. We are looking forward to maths and art next week! **Written by class learning ambassadors; Demi and Livia**



Thank you to Willow, Matilda, Rocco and Alfie for their hard work and efforts litterpicking the school grounds in the half term!