



# BOCKING NEWS

Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up  
Friday 28th March 2025

## WHAT'S COMING UP

### March

27th - Travelling Book Fayre

### April

4th - PTSA Easter Event  
4th - Rock concert at 9:30  
7th - 21st - Half Term

### May

5th - May Day Fair  
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  
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

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Mon - Choir

Tue - STEM

Wed - SCS Gymnastic

Thu - SCS Football

Fri - KS2 Taekwondo

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been a busy week particularly in the realm of the arts and sports. These opportunities not only enhance their artistic skills but also contribute significantly to their all-rounded development.

Our Year 5 pupils demonstrated exceptional musical prowess at the Braintree Sings event on Wednesday. This performance was the culmination of a term's dedicated rehearsals under the expert guidance of Mrs Reid. Her leadership has been instrumental in nurturing our pupils' vocal talents through the choir and class events. The event provided an invaluable platform for our young singers to showcase their abilities and actively participate in a community-wide celebration of music. Such experiences are crucial in fostering confidence, teamwork, and a sense of belonging within our wider community.

In a similar vein, our Year 6 pupils were given the opportunity to attend a captivating performance of Beauty and the Beast, presented by Gosfield School. This theatrical experience exposed our pupils to the magic of live performance, hopefully inspiring future performers! The importance of such cultural experiences cannot be overstated, as they broaden horizons and stimulate creativity in our young learners.

Turning our attention to sporting achievements, I am delighted to report on the creditable performance of our boys' football team. They participated in their first league match against Shalford yesterday. Fletcher and Brooklyn wrote: "On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March, the Bocking Football team played their first official league game of the year. We played amazingly; the sportsmanship was incredible. The first goal was scored by Stanley, in Y5, assisted by Fletcher (our Captain). Unfortunately, Fletcher got injured but got right back up and persevered. Brooklyn was named as man of the match for his leadership and decision making. The end score was 3-3."

Looking ahead, next week, we head to a community football event at St Margaret's School in Gosfield. Bocking Primary will be represented by two teams, competing alongside several other schools. This event exemplifies the collaborative spirit we aim to foster, not only within our school but also in our interactions with neighbouring schools. These diverse activities - from choral performances to theatrical productions, and from competitive sports to community events - highlight our commitment to providing a well-rounded education. They offer our pupils opportunities to discover and nurture their talents, build resilience, and develop essential life skills.

Finally, it is our pleasure to announce that the winning house team this half term is Darwin! Children in Darwin can wear non-school uniform next Friday.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Cagney

### Online Safety

You might have been watching the adult series Adolescence. This has sparked many conversations regarding emojis used when children are communicating to each other. Here is a link to the Lancashire Constabulary, on their website they have published a periodic table of emojis used - you might be shocked!  
<https://www.stayintheknow.co.uk/Alerts/A/256813/Social-Media-Emojis-and-Young-People>

**Polite Reminder:**

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



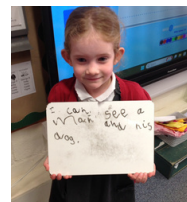
## STAR OF THE WEEK

## CLASSROOM NEWS...

- EYFS - Caleb**
- Year 1 - Max**
- Year 2 - Dexter**
- Year 3 - Noah**
- Year 4 - Poppy**
- Year 5 - Lia**
- Year 6 - Isla**

### YEAR EYFS

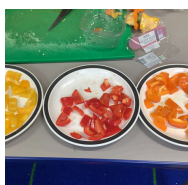
In EYFS this week, we have been enjoying challenging ourselves in maths! We have been learning to double and identify when a number is odd or even. Then in Rainbow Groups, we have been using toy cars as manipulatives to create subtraction number sentences. We rolled a dice, parked the amount of cars in our 'car park' then took one away. As we are becoming great mathematicians now, we also had a go at recording our subtraction sentences, In Topic, we have continued to learn about space. On Monday we imagined we were astronauts and pretended we were visiting each planet. We now know many interesting facts about space!



### AR READERS

**Year 2** - Dexter, Penelope, Kaiden, Lily, Sienna, Isabella, Florence

**Year 4** - Harper, Fortune, Albert, Louis,



### YEAR 1

It has been a fantastic week in Year 1 where we have been extremely busy tasting lots of different fruits and vegetables. We are all feeling very excited to make our kebabs next week and are looking forward to trying them! In English, we have made a story map about the adventures of Lily. She went on a journey to Bocking Windmill and the woods behind our school. We used our story map to help us to write the story. Then, in maths we have been measuring things in the classroom. First we measured using multilink and then we moved on to measuring in centimetres.

### ATTENDANCE

- 95% - Year EYFS
- 96% - Year 1
- 93% - Year 2
- 95% - Year 3
- 96% - Year 4
- 92% - Year 5
- 92% - Year 6

**Attendance target 95%**

### YEAR 2

In English we have been writing a story about a girl called Eliza who starts off with nothing and ends up being a rich housemaid. We had our last history lesson on The Great Fire of London this week and we made mind maps of everything we know! My favourite fact is that the fire grew so big so quickly because of the wind and the weather (Ruby). My favourite fact is that Samuel Pepys wrote in his diary that 300 houses had burnt in the first day! (Pearl). In maths we have started to learn about fractions, specifically how we find a half and a quarter of shapes. We are understanding numerators and denominators which are tricky words. In science, we are learning about everyday materials and we experimented with some of these, testing whether they stretched, twisted, bent and extended. Next week, I am looking forward to art, where we are drawing self-portraits (Pearl) and I am looking forward to English because we are writing our own stories! (Ruby) **Written by class learning ambassadors, Ruby and Pearl**

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