



**BOCKING**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

# BOCKING NEWS

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

Friday 15th Sept 2023

## WHAT'S COMING UP

### September

22nd - EYFS/KS1 Phonics workshop for parents 9am  
25th - School Photo's

### October

5th - Reading workshop for parents 9am  
10th - Maths mastery workshop for parents 9am  
11th - Flu Immunisations  
19th - Y2 Dress Up Day  
19th - Open door 2.30pm  
20th - Celebration Assembly 9.05am

### November

2nd & 13th - New 2024/25 EYFS parents open morning - 9am or 11am  
14th - TLCs 3.30 - 17.30  
16th - TLCs 3.30 - 1900

### December

11th- EYFS/YR 1 Nativity am - school pm - parents times TBC  
12th - EYFS/YR 1 Nativity pm to parents times TBC  
18th - Carol service whole school St Mary's Church - 2pm

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

**Tuesday - Girls Football KS2**

**Tuesday - Cheerleading Y2-Y6**

**Tuesday - Film Club Y1/Y2**

**Wednesday - SCS Y1-Y3**

**Thursday SCS - Y4-Y6**

**Thursday - Netball - KS2**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have already been working on our British Values this week with a visit from Liz Stroud from UK Parliament.

The children listened intently as she talked about the difference between the House of Commons and the House of Lords, how new Bills are passed in the commons, how MPs are voted for and represent the communities' views and the Monarchs role of only signing off Bills. This fits perfectly with our school values and our distributed leadership roles throughout the school. The roles of Attain Pupil Forum members, House Captains, Heads of school, School Council and Librarians all show how well we demonstrate Democracy, Respect and Individual Liberty here at Bocking. Our Pupil Forum members from last year worked across the Trust schools and in our school to understand how we demonstrate Individual Liberty at Bocking. Their final video will be ready to be seen on our school website very soon. We are so proud of all the children who took part - speaking in front of a camera is not easy!

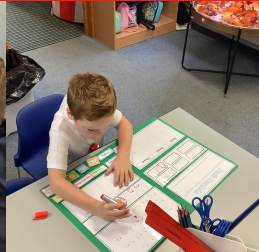
We are building our website to be a place for you to find out everything you need to know about Bocking School, including curriculum links and resources to use at home. New to our website is our Letter Joins Handwriting Home practise. Click on the link in the Parent/Home Resources area of the website to be taken to the Letter Joins website where you can log in using the details on our website and start practising. There is a user guide to explain how this works and our handwriting policy is available under our Curriculum Overview page.

Also on our website, in the Parent's area, are our Curriculum Overview maps for each year group for the term. These tell you what the children will be learning in all subject areas and the enquiry question which hooks the children into the learning and frames the topic. Teachers find out what the children already know about the topic/question from their previous learning and then build upon this with different knowledge and skills in order to be able to answer the question at the end of the unit.

Our parent workshops are also a great way for you to find out about your children learning and how we teach this in school. The first of these is our Phonics workshop on 22nd September mainly for those in EYFS and Yr 1. However, if you feel you would like to know more about our phonics scheme then please feel free to join in. There is a Reading workshop on 5th October for KS2 where Mrs Flack will be demonstrating how we teach reading in school and Mrs Pickering will be leading a workshop this half term on Spelling and Reading on Yr 2.

Finally, if you would like to come and see your child's class (to know where they are and what it looks like) we would like to invite you to come and have a look next week after school collection - Yr 4,3,1 on Tuesday 19th and Yr 6, 5,2 on Thursday 21st September 2023.

Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs Cagney



## STAR OF THE WEEK

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

- Adam (Yr 1)
- Joseph B (Yr 2)
- Diogo (Yr 3)
- Skylah (Yr 4)
- Oliver J (Yr 5)
- Riley (Yr 6)

## CLASSROOM NEWS...

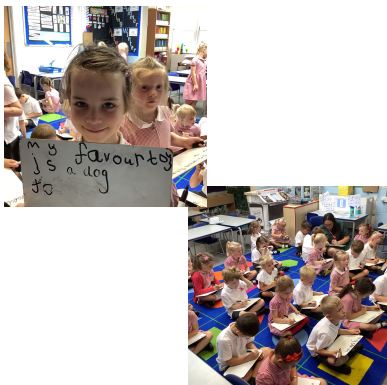
### YEAR EYFS

We are incredibly proud of all of EYFS, for their first full week of 'big' school. They have all settled in well, and have enjoyed exploring both our indoor and outdoor classroom, purposefully. This week we have drawn pictures of ourselves, created a collage and practised writing our name. We also looked at what Numicon is used for, and started using it to help us to count. Today, we were super excited to go to our first violin lesson with Mrs Travers - we even got to hold a violin!



### AR READERS

Apologies for the delay in getting books to children, we have had technical issues!



### YEAR 1

It has been an excellent first week back getting to know the children in Year 1 and setting our class rules and expectations. We have all been super busy with our Continuous Provision and the children have really begun to show their engagement and enthusiasm towards all of our activities. This week the children have worked very hard learning our first key text Toy Man and have begun now to put actions to it to help them remember the order.

### TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



- WINNER - Brunel HOUSE - Year 4**
- Year 3 - Kaiden
  - Year 4 - Blake
  - Year 5 - Daisy
  - Year 6 - Lenny

### ATTENDANCE

- 90% - Year EYFS
- 99% - Year 1
- 94% - Year 2
- 86% - Year 3
- 80% - Year 4
- 89% - Year 5
- 96% - Year 6

Attendance should be 95%

### YEAR 2

This week in year 2 we have been exploring our English narrative of The Three Little Pigs. Last week we acted out the story using drama and created our own version of the Three Little Pigs and this week we have been creating a text map with similar actions and words to make the story memorable and engaging. Additionally, we have enjoyed the last bit of sunshine and we have been working on our passing skills in P.E, both as a class and with coach, focusing on what it means to be defending or attacking. This required us to work as a team and prioritise our communication skills which we then can bring into our classroom learning. What a great start of the year!

