

WHATS COMING UP

- 8th March - EYFS, Year 1 Read with Teddy
- 3rd - 9th March Travelling Book Fair
- 22nd / 24th March - TLC's
- 30th March - Year 6 Residential Trip
- 31st March Open Door Afternoon
- 4th April to 18th April - Easter Holidays.
- 19th April - Non pupil day

Stars of the Week

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

Alfie (EYFS)
Millie C (Yr 1)
Lacey (Yr 2)
Elsie (Yr 3)
Jacob (Yr 4)
Millie (Yr 5)
Isabelle (Yr 6)

ENRICHMENT AT BOCKING!

Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been full of wonderful enrichment activities for our curriculum starting on Monday with the VR day (virtual reality). Our pupils were transported to the Arctic to see penguins, visited landmarks throughout the world, such as Mount Everest to experience the world through virtual reality. We have also had numerous author visits throughout the week speaking to the children about becoming authors and the talking about the different types of stories they have written.

I think you will agree that it was wonderful to see all the children dressed up for World Book Day on Thursday- even though there was so much going on which was out of the norm; online lessons from the BBC, Nick Sharratt the illustrator giving real time workshops and even a visit from Mrs Flacks dad, who has written his own books, I am proud to say that the behaviour was as good as ever and the children had a lot of fun. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Champney for organising all the activities and the staff team for making it such a successful Book Week. The Book Fair will be available until Wednesday 9th March.

During World Book Day we also had our termly visit from the Trust. Just some of the things they noticed were that the children are developing preferences for reading because they are being exposed to an increasing range of books and are developing greater independence when learning by using the tools and equipment in classrooms with greater independence. This is just more evidence that, as a school, we continue to improve all the time.

Finally, after so much positive news to share with you from Bocking School, I would like to ask you for your help - Following Russia's devastating invasion of Ukraine, UK-AID, based in Felsted, will be leaving the UK on March 27th bound for Moldova, in support of refugees from Ukraine who have crossed over the Moldovan border, with three 18 tonne lorries of aid.

St Mary's Church Bocking will be a drop-off point for our local area. They will then arrange to get the items to the UK-AID warehouse. To ensure they can do this in plenty of time, all donations need to be with them by Wednesday March 16th. Donations can also be dropped off here at school for collection by Rev Rod Reid. Please see the attached document for the donations list. You may also want to make a cash donation, to see the details on how to do that please go to the following: www.uk-aid.org/news/article/Ukraine-crisis.html

I am sure that you are keeping Ukrainian families in your thoughts and prayers.

Have a peaceful weekend,

Mrs Cagney

Winners of the Book Review, and received House Points were:

EYFS - Aniamina for Franklin, **Year 1** - Violet for Kingsley, **Year 2** - Louis for Brunel
Year 3 - Jaskirat for Kingsley, and Hannah for Darwin, **Year 4** - Lexi for Franklin,
Year 5 - Polly for Kingsley, **Year 6** - Sophia for Kingsley



AR READERS

Year 5 read 101,131 words this week.
100% Reading

Quiz Scores:

- Year 2** - Freddie, Freya, Reuben, Isobel, James Q, Louis, Lia
- Year 3** - Alan, Jaskirat, Ellie-Mae
- Year 5** - Thomas, Lenny, Michael Q
- Year 6** - Rafi, Ana

Attendance

This week's class attendance:
 EYFS: 98%
 Year 1: 97%
 Year 2: 96%
 Year 3: 96%
 Year 4: 99%
 Year 5: 99%
 Year 6: 99%

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



Class Winners
Year 5

- Most points earned
- Year 2- Elliot
 - Year 3- Hugo
 - Year 4- Jacob
 - Year 5- Sam
 - Year 6- Isabelle

CLASSROOM NEWS

From EYFS

This week the children have enjoyed learning the story 'The Sleepy Bumblebee.' They went on a journey through the school and discovered that the poor bumblebee was trying to get to sleep but couldn't because of many different noises! They have then had the opportunity to re-enact the story in the role play corner in the classroom. We have also been looking at different ways we can make 10 with smaller numbers, using different equipment.

From Year 1

Year 1 have had a busy week of learning. We started World Book Week with a live lesson from Julia Donaldson on Monday, listening to stories, poems and singing along to songs from her books. On Tuesday we started our new topic in English and came into our classroom in the morning to discover animal footprints! We didn't know how these footprints got into the classroom or who left them. We then received a letter giving us some clues to the creature that left them and we had to go on a mission to find the puzzle pieces in the playground to work out who it was! We found out it was a wolf! Our new story in English is a traditional tale called The Sheep and The Goat and this story has some bad wolves in it too!



From Year 2

Year 2 have been working incredibly hard. We have particularly enjoyed our Maths work on shape and completing complex shapes using a mirror. A star mysteriously appeared in our classroom one day and so we have been learning the story of Alfie's Star. The children enjoyed working in groups to represent the story with pictures and actions. We loved being transported to the Polar regions on VR day and we then wrote excellent warnings about the danger of polar bears.

Word Book Day

Thank you to the Authors for coming in to read to the children, Sam Scott, Mr Batchleor, and Mr Etherington The children loved the stories.



REMINDERS

Please ensure the school office is notified of your child's absent by 9am

