

BOCKING NEWS

Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up
Friday 1st October



**BOCKING
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

SURVEY HELPS TO SHAPE THE VISION OF BOCKING PRIMARY

Thank you to all of you that responded to our vision and values survey. We had over 35 responses, all of which will help to shape the future vision of Bocking Primary. Our Senior Leadership Team have collated all the responses from the staff, governors, pupils and parents and we will be launching the new school vision and values after half term.

Friends of Bocking School PTSA

We are looking to launch a new Friends of Bocking School PTSA. There are so many benefits from having a group connected to the school that include the following:

- helps to strengthen our community.
- links families to important school and community information.
- hosts fun, programs and events for our families.
- raises money to support the specific needs of our school.
- offers children the opportunity to develop critical thinking, teamwork and creativity through helping to run events.

All parents/carers, teachers and staff welcome

No experience needed

You don't need to have lots of time

There will be a meeting after half term where you can find out more, in the meantime if you are interested please get in touch via friendsofbockingschool@hotmail.co.uk

In joining or supporting the PTSA is just one way that together as a community and school we can make the educational opportunities for our children even better.

Farewell

Unfortunately we will occasionally see staff moving on to other adventures. Today we say goodbye to Miss Robinson who is leaving Bocking to spend more time with her family. I hope that you will join me in thanking her for all her hard work and that the children and staff at Bocking wish her all the best.

The secret to so many artists living so long is that every painting is a new adventure. So, you see, they're always looking ahead to something new and exciting. The secret is not to look back.

— Norman Rockwell —

In Other News....



The black cat that has been a regular visitor around the grounds in the last few years was taken by Mrs Flack to the vets this week to be treated for an abscess.

Whilst there, a scan showed that he was chipped and had been missing from his family home near Black Notley for 4 years!

Titch is now settling back into his old home and his family are shocked but delighted that he has returned after such a long time.

WHATS COMING UP

"Hello Yellow Day" to mark World Mental Health Day on Friday 8th October. Children can wear something yellow or yellow accessories for a donation.

REMINDERS

Reclaim your jumpers and cardigans that are in lost property, table will be out after school next week.

Earrings must also be removed for PE and only stud earrings are permitted in school.

Children need waterbottles in school.

Next week is Menu 3



CLASSROOM NEWS

From Year 3

In Year 3 we used Starbursts to help recreate the Rock Cycle.

A volcano erupts and igneous rock is formed. Small pieces of igneous rock break off and travel through rivers to the sea. They settle at the bottom on the ocean.



Over a long period of time, layers build up on top of the rock and sedimentary rock is formed.



Pressure and heat change the sedimentary rock and it becomes metamorphic rock.



As the rock stays deep underground, the temperature rises. This causes the rock to become molten rock or magma which cools to become igneous rock



AR Readers

Congratulations to Year 5 who read an impressive 105,901 this week.

100% Reading Quiz Scores:

- Year 2 - Olivia, Stanley, Blake, Aimee, Olivia, Ann Mary, Reuben, Louis, Thomas and Elliot.
- Year 3 - Hugo.
- Year 4 - Annabelle
- Year 5 - Leah B
- Year 6 - Charlie



From Year 5

In science this week, we have investigated the shape of the earth, moon and sun in our solar system. The class compared the 'spherical' and 'flat Earth' theories and discussed which theory they believed in.

Similarly in PSHE, the children had a civilised debate surrounding the ideas of 'anarchy' and 'democracy'. We discussed what society could look like without a government.

From EYFS

This week children have enjoyed the story 'The Train Ride' They have been making trains outside- including underground trains! We have started learning our first set of phonics sounds s,a,t and have been busy practising pre writing skills- wiggling and squiggling!



Stars of the Week

At the KS2 Celebration assembly this afternoon certificates were presented to: Hugo (Yr 3), Jacob (Yr 4), Oliver (yr 5) and Lawson (Yr 6).

In KS1 teachers presented certificates to Drew (EYFS), Albert (Yr 1) and Hugo (Yr 2).

Attendance

This week's class attendance:

- EYFS: 95%
- Year 1: 91%
- Year 2: 91%
- Year 3: 88%
- Year 4: 88%
- Year 5: 97%
- Year 6: 88%

