

# **BOCKING NEWS**

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Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up

Friday 3rd November 2023

## WHAT'S COMING UP

#### **November**

13th - New Admission 2024/25 EYFS Tours

9am or 11am

14th - TLCs 3.30 - 17.30

16th - TLCs 3.30 - 1900

17th - Non Pupil Day

<u>December</u>

11th- EYFS/YR 1 Nativity

10am - At St Mary Church (more details to

follow)

12th - EYFS/YR 1

Nativity 2pm At St Mary Church (more details to

follow)

13th - Whole school

**Christmas dinner** 

18th - Carol service

whole school St Mary's Church - 2pm

20th - Christmas Break

### **Notices**

As the weather has turned please ensure your child(ren) a has warm waterproof coat

We are a nut free school.

Nutella bars or spread

must not be given to

your child for snack, or

in their packed lunch

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Tuesday - Girls Football KS2 Tuesday - CheerleadingY2-Y6

Tuesday - Film Club Y1/Y2 Wednesday - SCS Y1-Y3 Thursday SCS - Y4-Y6 Thursday - Netball KS2 Dear Parents/Carers,

As I have walked around the school and popped in to classrooms this week, I have been impressed by our childrens learning behaviours. I have seen engaged learners that are keen to share their ideas and ask curious questions about their topics. The children have been using sentence stems to explain their learning and using resources to support them in their maths learning independently. It is great to see them enjoy their learning so much. An example of this was when Year 3 had a visit from Christian Youth Outreach. The Year 3 students were excited to have them here, and they learnt about the 3 Trinities: The core affirmations of a biblical view of the Trinity can be summarised as: God is three persons; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The children made origami Doves that represented God bringing peace to mankind through Jesus.

On another note, we had some other visitors this week as well. The new parents for Reception 2024 came to tour our school, and I must say, they were very impressed! Our fantastic Heads of School, Lenny and Amelia, along with Teddy and Jasmine, our Year 6 leaders, did an amazing job showing them around. The school looked absolutely stunning, and we received many lovely comments about the happy atmosphere and positive vibe. If you know of any parents who are still deciding which school to choose, please let them know that we have more tours available. They can contact the office for more information.

As the business of the term gets underway, I wanted to remind you about our Termly Learning Conferences (TLCs). These conferences are a great opportunity for you, your child, and their teacher to discuss and celebrate their achievements from this term. It is also a chance to set goals for the next term and be directly involved in supporting your child's learning. **The booking system will go live tonight at 6pm on ESchools**, so make sure to mark your calendars!

I also wanted to take a moment to discuss the importance of safeguarding. It is crucial that we have ongoing conversations with our children about their online activities. Talk to them about the apps, games, and websites they use, and encourage them to come to you if they have any concerns or if something makes them feel worried or upset. Remind them that you are there to help and that they will not be in trouble for reaching out for support. At school, we take safeguarding very seriously, and we have a designated safeguarding team led by, Mrs. Cagney, along with Mrs. Flack, Miss Clarke, and Mrs. Pickering as Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads. However, please remember that any adult in school can be approached if you have any concerns, as safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community. I am incredibly proud of our students and staff, and I am grateful for the positive and nurturing environment we have created together.

We have a new vacancy in school please take a look; https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?Vacancyld=94243

Have a good weekend, Mrs Cagney



### STAR OF THE **WEEK**

**Certificates** were presented in our celebration assembly to: **George (EYFS)** 

Luke (Yr 1)

Dylan (Yr 2)

Millie (Yr 3)

Aimee (Yr 4)

Kaya (Yr 5)

Esca (Yr 6)

### **CLASSROOM NEWS...**

#### YEAR EYFS

This week in EYFS, we have started exploring the story of 'Owl Babies', creating a story map and starting to think of our own actions too. This has also led us to lots of conversations about our four seasons and what autumn clues we have spotted around our local area. During our topic lessons, this week we have spoken about staying safe during the celebrations of Halloween and then, Guy Fawkes Night. The children were able to remember to stand back from a firework and wear gloves when handling a sparkler! Some children today enjoyed making pictures to celebrate too.

It has been a lovely start to the new term in Year 1. We have started to look at our new

text "We're Going On A Bear Hunt" as our focus for English is repetitive stories. On

Monday we had our hook lesson, and the children went on a teddy hunt around the

has life changed in the last 150 years?" And the children used their prior learning to

generate some ideas on what has changed. In Maths we have begun looking at

school field and playground. In History we introduced our new enquiry question "How

addition and subtraction and the children have been using part whole models to help



YEAR 1

#### **AR READERS**

#### **Quiz Scores 100%**

Year 2 - Winter, Rocco, Reyan **Year 3** - Levi, Irene Year 4 - Freddie, Ann-Mary Naveah, James R Year 5 - Aaron

Year 5

**TIMES TABLE** 

**ROCKSTARS** 



**WINNER - Franklin HOUSE - Year 4** 

Year 3 - Ella

Year 4 - Ann-Mary

Year 6 - Evan S

#### **ATTENDANCE**

95% - Year EYFS

98% - Year 1

95% - Year 2

96% - Year 3

98% - Year 4 95% - Year 5

95% - Year 6

Attendance target 97%

**Word Count Winners** 

658,789

#### YEAR 2

This week in Year 2 we have introduced our new hook for our English writing. On Monday something came and destroyed the classroom and we had to use our detective skills and the clues they left behind to work out who did it. We discovered that it was a dragon and we've been exploring our new text 'How To Trap A Dragon' throughout the rest of the week. In P.E we started looking at new skills for gymnastics and practiced these with coach in the hall, including pencil rolls, teddy bear rolls and forward rolls. In Geography we started to explore the United Kingdom and identify what the 4 countries are, before discussing our enquiry question 'Why do people visit the UK?'.



with write their number sentences out.



