



BOCKING NEWS

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

Friday 16th June 2023

WHAT'S COMING UP

June

- 19th - Year 3 - Trip
- 20th - Year 4 - Trip
- 20th - EYFS transitions - stay and play 3:30-4pm
- 22nd - EYFS/KS1 Sports Day - 10am
- 22nd - Whole School Sports Day Picnic 12 - 12:45pm
- 22nd - KS2 Sports Day- 1:30 (back up day on 6/7)

July

- 4th -Parents induction meeting EYFS - 5pm
- 6th EYFS transitions- stay and play 3:30-4pm
- 10th - Y6 Performance 1:45pm
- 11th - Y6 Performance 6pm
- 13th - Open evening (meet new teacher)
- 17th Transition days for each year
- 21st Celebration Assembly 9am

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- Mon - Puzzle Club YR-Y2
- Tue - Multi Sport KS2
- Wed - Out & About Y1-Y6
- Wed - SCS Football Y1-Y3
- Thu - School Choir Y2-Y6
- Thu - SCS Football Y4-Y6
- Friday - Miss Lemon Drama

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has passed and yet more proud moments. On Tuesday we took 26 children to Charter Hall for the Attain Academy Cultural Event. All seven schools attended a full day of practise led by our CEO Mrs Edom-Baker ready for the performance at 3pm. The show was hosted by Mary Poppins and our children performed My Once Upon A Time and our year 6 children performed their own poems all on the theme of Crowing Glory. They were amazing and were brilliant ambassadors for our school.

Alongside the performance was the art gallery - the whole school took part in this competition which was judged by our Chair of Governors. A winner and runner up was showcased at the event from each Key Stage and an over all winner chosen on the day. I'm excited to announce that Bocking came 1st in two age categories - Lower Key Stage 1 and Upper Key Stage 2. Well done to Amelia and Brooklyn! Events like this are an important part of our curriculum in giving the children opportunities to perform in front of an audience and showcase their skills and talents in the arts.

Other cultural events that our children have taken part in this week was the year 5 trip to watch the dress rehearsal of the Elixir of Love. The children's behaviour was exemplary and they thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Next week our year 3 class are visiting Colchester Castle as part of their topic on Romans.

Reminder about the Whole School House Match day (sports day) on 22nd June, Children will need to be in school PE kit, please provide a hat if it is really sunny. If the weather is not looking favourable we do have a backup day planned for 6th July

- **10am** KS1/EYFS will start the day at 1 with a variety of sports on the field.
- **12pm** we will open the gates for all parents to bring in a picnic to share with your children in EYFS/KS1 and KS2. Please also note that there should be no alcohol or peanut based products on school site.
- **12.45** we will ask you to clear your picnics away and all EYFS/KS1 children will return to their classrooms for afternoon register and lessons.
- **13:00** All KS2 children will go back to class for registration
- **13:30** KS2 House Matches begin
- **14:45** All children to head back into classrooms

Finally, we would like to get your thoughts on Reading Records in EYFS and Key Stage 1. This has been a discussion that has come round regularly with all schools taking a different approach to them with varying degrees of effectiveness. I have attached a simple poll to this newsletter in order to gain some feedback into keeping the reading diaries/records or not. This will then inform us of what we need to provide for next year and how we can use them more effectively if there is a strong case for them.

Please click on the link that takes you to a short google poll:
<https://forms.gle/MFquwSyErLs78FsU8>

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Cagney



STAR OF THE WEEK

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

Isabella (YR)

Whole Class! (Yr 1)

Millie & Amelia (Yr 2)

Ann-Mary (Yr 3)

Richie (Yr 4)

Amelia-Lily (Yr 5)

Lily (Yr 6)

AR READERS

Quiz Scores 100%

Year 2 - Levi

Year 3 - Olivia B

Year 5 - Reuben, Max

Year 6 - Oliver

Words Read

Year 6 - 2,912,298

ATTENDANCE

81% - Year EYFS

94% - Year 1

82% - Year 2

79% - Year 3

88% - Year 4

90% - Year 5

92% - Year 6

Attendance should be 95%

CLASSROOM NEWS...

YEAR EYFS

In Early Years we have been learning a new story, 'The Rainbow Fish'. Our curiosity cube gave us lots of clues about the story, and some of us were able to make links between the under the sea creatures and the carefully placed rainbow. We have started to talk about the tricky vocabulary in the book and have told Miss Freeman what we would like to learn next about under the sea. We had good fun blowing bubbles like the Rainbow Fish, watching them blow away or challenging our friends to catch them. This week, we also created our own rainbow fish, to decorate our classroom. We enjoyed being creative and each of our fish looked individual. Miss Freeman and Mrs Pennington were very impressed with our ideas!



YEAR 1

Over the last few weeks, the children have shown real resilience and determination across all their learning. They have been focusing very hard with their phonics and taken each new challenge with a great and positive attitude.

We have been working very hard in English and the children have been exploring different rhyming words that they can use for their own poem on the seasons. In PE the children have been practicing their sports day activities and have been working hard develop their skills ready for next week.

YEAR 2

Year 2 have been enjoying starting our new topics in science and history. In science, we are studying the invention of transport such as the wheel and the first plane. In history, we are enquiring into why seaside holidays became so popular. We enjoyed taking part in fieldwork to see which mode of transport was most popular in Church Street. In computing and art, we are looking at digital art so we have been developing our photography skills. We really enjoyed using a photograph of our self and then cutting it in half and sketching the other half to match.