



BOCKING
PRIMARY SCHOOL

BOCKING NEWS

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

Friday 25th November 2022

WHAT'S COMING UP

November

- 29th - Phonics/Reading (Parents)- Year 2 - 11:30am
- 29th Nov - Phonics/Reading (Parents) - Year 1 - 1pm

December

- 2nd - Christmas bazaar 3-5pm
- 6th - Phonics/Reading (Parents) EYFS - 1pm
- 8th Christmas Jumper Day
- 14th - Whole School Xmas Dinner
- 14th - Celebration Assembly - 2:40pm
- 16th - Nativity - EYFS, Y1, Y2 - 2pm, at St Mary's Church, Bocking
- 19th - Christmas Carols Whole School 2:15pm at St Mary's Church
- 20th - Non Uniform Day for House winners

Stars of the Week

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

- Lily (YR)
- Levi (Yr 1)
- Lucas (Yr 2)
- Ann-Mary (Yr 3)
- Fletcher (Yr 4)
- Oliver (Yr 5)
- Sam (Yr 6)

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- Monday Out and About
- Tuesday Y5/Y6 Science
- Tuesday Y3/Y4 Coding
- Wednesday Y1/Y2 Art
- Wednesday SCS Y1-Y3
- Thursday SCS Y4-Y6
- Thursday KS2 Choir
- Thursday Y1/Y2 Disney
- Friday KS2 Drama KS2
- Friday Glee Y1-Y4

Dear Parent and Carers,

We had a fantastic turn out for our two parent evenings this week and we were very proud of all the children that spoke so eloquently about their learning this year so far. The learning we are seeing across the school is impressive and it is lovely to see children wanting to show off their work when I see them. In fact my office door and walls are getting full up of brilliant examples of work!

This week the children in KS1 have begun to rehearse their nativity songs, we are really looking forward to the nativity this year which will be performed in the village church and the rest of the school are starting to learn traditional Christmas carols for our Carols assembly, also being held in the church so we can have as many of you there as we can.

Starting at 3.30 on Friday 2nd December is our Christmas bazaar. This year it will be in the hall so it can go ahead no matter what the weather. If you can volunteer your support or time to the PTSA they would be very grateful as they are trying to make this year even better than it was last year, and with more volunteers the more they can offer! Please contact friendsofbockingschool@hotmail.co.uk you are able to help out.

We have had a professional photographer in school today to take some pictures of the grounds, the classrooms and the children as they learn and have fun. We will be using these on our new website and will be making a 'gallery' section on there to showcase the school and all we can offer.

We had a great turn out for our EYFS 2023 tours, some families even came from other areas so please ensure that your online application is submitted by 15 January 2023. Remember to re-submit after making any changes before the deadline. All applications received after 15 January will be treated as late and will only be processed after all on-time applications.

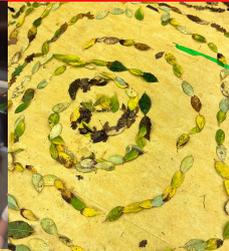
Over the next few weeks we will see some changes to our library, Mrs Champney is working hard to reorder all the fiction books to reading genres so that the children can find their favourite type of book more easily. Books that are no longer needed in school will be on display outside after school in the next few weeks - individual or bundles of books will be on offer for a small donation to the school library. As well as this, we are busy designing our new reading corner in the main corridor - this has only been possible due to the generous donation from Mr Wood, one of our reading volunteers. The reading corner will be available to children during the day, including break and lunch to provide a quiet space for reading - we are excited to be able to revamp this area so that it can be used to promote a love of reading.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Cagney

This week's reading challenge...

Is to read a book about a career, job or interest you have. Maybe you aspire to be a doctor, horse show jumper, fashion designer, architect or a baker! Can you read a book either fiction about the job you are interested in or non-fiction and share with me next week?





AR READERS

Quiz Scores:

Year 2 - Ronnie, Amelia, Tyler, Levi, Caden, Kaiden, Ella-Rose, Linda

Year 3 - Freddie, Oliver J, James R

Year 4 - Oliver J

Year 6 - Oliver

Year 3 are the word count winners with 115,483 words

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



Winners - **Brunel House - Year 4**

Year 2 - **Jake D**

Year 3 - **Blake**

Year 4 - **Daisy**

Year 5 - **Charlie**

Year 6 - **Harrison**

Attendance

This week's class attendance:

EYFS: 92%

Year 1: 88%

Year 2: 95%

Year 3: 92%

Year 4: 91%

Year 5: 98%

Year 6: 94%

Notices

- **Gates close at 8:50am, after 9:05 your child will be marked as late.**
- **Please ensure your child has a warm, waterproof coat every day.**

CLASSROOM NEWS...

Year 3

Year 3 are absolutely loving our topic work on volcanoes. We are studying a text about Volcanoes to help us write our own report, we are learning about how they have formed and have created some amazing 3d models and pictures for homework. Our classroom now has its own Ring of Fire! We have been inspired by Andy Warhol's Pop Art print 'Vesuvius' to create our own coloured volcano inspired prints using different media.



Year 4

In Year 4 we have been learning all about newspapers. This week we have been focusing on the skills that will be needed for writing our own ones next week. We have been learning about direct and reported speech and how to create catchy funny headlines. In Maths our focus over this week and next week is timetables- playing on TTRS outside of school will be a fantastic aid to children's learning and will also help their house in the school competition. We enjoyed music this week where we have been learning a rap called 'STOP'. It is all about equality and how we need to look out for one another a theme which links to our PSHE topic on British Values.

Year 5

This week, in Year 5, we have started to write our discussion text. We are debating whether aliens exist. In maths, we have learnt about fractions, specifically how to change mixed numbers to improper fractions. We all agreed that this was very difficult to begin with but using bar models and our toolkits has supported us to master this skill. Mrs Flack and Mrs Batchelor supported us to lead our parents' evenings this week and we confidently explained our strengths, weaknesses and our favourite pieces of work. Our afternoons have been full of sport: we supported England in the World Cup, finished our dance choreography, had a virtual visit from a football author (Harry Meredith) and have learnt vaulting in gymnastics too! Finally, we are improving at playing 'Livin' on a Prayer' on the recorder.

Year 6

This week we have been busy developing our art skills and applying our previous learning to making clay tiles, decorated with images from Ancient Greek times and repeated patterns designs, which we have enjoyed sharing at our parents' evening appointments. Additionally, in Maths we have moved on to fractions, simplifying and finding equivalents and in English we have used reported and direct speech, ready to develop eyewitness accounts next week. We have been meeting with our buddies in EYFS and in Y1 and sharing texts. Finally, in PE we are developing our gymnastics skills with Mr Porte and learning a choreographed dance routine in PE on Fridays.