

BOCKING NEWS I am Ambitious, Respectful, Responsible, Engaged and I Persevere.

Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up

Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy and eventful time here at Bocking Primary School, and I am excited to share with you some of the wonderful things that have been happening. On Monday, I had the pleasure of accompanying Year 2 on their educational trip to Layer Marney Towers. The children were an absolute delight and showed great enthusiasm as they learned about the Fire of London and the construction of buildings during that time. They even had the opportunity to act as firefighters, gaining valuable knowledge about fire safety and witnessing the mesmerising change in flames when different materials are burned. I am proud to say that our students behaved impeccably and were fantastic representatives of our school.

In addition, our talented musicians in Year 3 and 4 showcased their skills this afternoon. It was truly a joy to witness the progress they have made in their music lessons. I must give a special mention to our Year 4 students who have only been learning the violin since September and have already made remarkable strides. Well done! Furthermore, Alan from Year 5 took to the stage for a solo performance, leaving us all in awe of his musical talent. Now, let's take a moment to celebrate the amazing achievements of some of our students. Huxley and Dylan both achieved a Distinction in their Level 1 music exams this week. This is a testament to their hard work and dedication. I would also like to congratulate Alan and his brother Adam for achieving a Distinction in their Level 2 exams. This is a remarkable accomplishment, and we are incredibly proud of them. Finally, a big round of applause to Freddy, Abigail, and Aniamina for passing their exams with flying colours. Well done to all of you!

Safeguarding: It has come to my attention that there have been instances of the misuse of social media, particularly on What's App, by some of our students. Unfortunately, inappropriate content has been shared, and our students have been subjected to misuse and harm. I want to assure you that these incidents have occurred outside of school hours, on personal devices, during evenings and weekends.

To address this matter promptly and collaboratively, I urge you to have open and honest conversations with your children about responsible social media use. Discussing the potential risks associated with sharing inappropriate content or engaging in harmful interactions can raise awareness and promote responsible online behaviour. Additionally, I kindly request your assistance in monitoring your child's online activities, ensuring they access age-appropriate content and maintain respectful behaviour online. Regularly reviewing privacy settings, reporting any incidents of misuse to the platform, and setting appropriate time limits for social media usage are all important steps in ensuring their safety.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Have a good weekend, Mrs Cagney

Bocking Vs Great Bradford, Written by Oscar Team Captain.

We played this match here at Bocking as part of our football league. We had many parents to cheer us on, three of our coaches and Mrs Aldous and Mrs Cagney. Each match was 40 minutes with 20 minutes per half. The boys team was Connor in goal, centre back was me and Riley, in centre mid was Jacob, Corey and Stanley, striker was Reuben and on the bench was Maximus and Fletcher. The boys were still working on playing out from the back. The boys work sadly didn't pay off as we didn't score a single goal and lost the game 4-0! Our coaches said at half time we need to get the ball up the pitch by the goal kick and not just clear it. One key moment for our team was when we got the ball up to attack and almost scored. The top player was Connor because he did some good saves. Well done everyone!

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Mon - Choir Club (Y3-Y6) Tues - Lego Club (Y1-Y6) Wed - Art Club (Y2, Y3, Y4) Wed - SCS Football (Y1-Y2) Thu - SCS Football Boys and Girls Y3-Y6 Fri - FITC - Multisport

WHAT'S COMING UP

March

- 22nd KS1 Stave House Music Performance 2pm
- 26th Y3 Egyptian Dress Up
- Day • 26th - 28th Y6 Mersea
- Residential

<u>April</u>

•17th -Y5 Swimming x 6 wks

<u>May</u>

- 20th Y5 British Museum Trip
- 21st EYFS/Y1 Call of the Wild
- 23rd Open Door 2:30

<u>June</u>

- 5th Y6 Swimming x 6 wks
 4th Y3 Botanicals Garden Trip
- 6th Y4 Colchester Zoo Trip

<u>July</u>

- 4th Sports Day KS1 AM then picnic lunch for whole school, and KS2 PM
- 19th Celebration Assembly
- 23rd Leavers Assembly
- 9th Y6 Production PM
- 10th Y6 Production Evening

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YEAR EYFS

This week in Early Years, we have finished our action story of 'Whatever Next' and have used props to retell it in our busy time. We are able to remember who the author of Whatever Next is, and have even started listening to other stories by the same author. With space as our topic, we have really enjoyed learning all about the Moon, where we experimented with making our own craters and acted as astronauts in our Space Station. We have a big list of questions of all the other things we want to still learn about our solar system! Miss Freeman has been super impressed with how much our independence is blossoming, we have blown her socks off this week with our number sentence writing.



YEAR 1

We have been having lots of fun this week in Year 1. In Science we were testing to see if having bigger feet means you are taller and found out that that if you have bigger feet you tend to be taller. In English we have continued to learn our model text and today we started thinking of our class innovations. In Math's we have been looking at place value to 50 and ordering these numbers from smallest to greatest. In Art we practiced drawing shapes using straight line with a ruler

YEAR 2

This week we went to Layer Marney Tower. It was an amazing trip. We learnt about the Great Fire of London; we now know that Samuel Pepy's soldiers carried 27 barrels of gunpower to blow up the houses and stop the fire spreading. We did arts and crafts, we made a house on fire using chalk and paper, we also did science and learnt that a fire needs oxygen, heat and fuel to stay alive. We climbed up 8 floors and the view was lovely. When we came back to school we have been planning our non-chronological reports about The Great Fire of London. In math we have been taking away to work out the difference on tally charts and block charts. We love P.E., we did tennis and practiced our backhand shots. Science was interesting, we learnt everyday materials and I know that metal holds heat and is made from a rock called ore, glass is made of heated sand and plastic is made of oil. Written by class learning ambassadors, Rocco and Lily M



STAR OF THE WEEK

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to: Ramona (EYFS) Joshua (Yr 1) Freddie (Yr 2) Jake D (Yr 3) Freya (Yr 4) Hannah (Yr 5) Teddy R (Yr 6)

AR READERS

Quiz Scores 100% Year 2 - Huxley Year 3 - Ronnie, Maxwell, Poppy

Word Count Winners Year 4 324,024

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS



WINNER: Franklin Year 3 Year 2 - Huxley Year 3 - Irene Year 4 - Scarlett Year 5 - Arham Year 6 - Riley

ATTENDANCE

95% - Year EYFS 93% - Year 1 97% - Year 2 96% - Year 3 92% - Year 4 89% - Year 5 90% - Year 6 Attendance target 95%