



BOCKING NEWS

Bocking Primary School Weekly Round Up
Friday 11th September 2026

WHAT'S COMING UP

September

15th - School

Photographer

17th Yr 6 Residential
parents meeting

2.00pm

21st Phonics workshop

9.00-9.30am

22nd Phonics workshop

2.30-3.00pm

30th Maths workshop

October

13th/14th/15th 27/28

EYFS show arounds

9.30-10.30

19th - Flu Immunisation

19th-21st Yr 6 Residential

21st Open Door

Afternoon 2.30-3.00

26th - 1st Nov Half term

November

4th EYFS 27/28 Show
rounds 9.30-10.30

17th Parent TLCs 3.30-
7.00

19th Parent TLCs 3.30-
7.00

December

7th Nativity 2.00pm

8th Nativity 9.30am

9th Christmas

Dinner/jumper day

18th Celebration
assembly

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to begin with an important reminder about attendance and the vital role it plays in your child's education. Every day in school matters. When children attend regularly, they benefit not only from high-quality teaching and learning but also from the friendships, routines, and experiences that help them thrive. Missing just one day each fortnight adds up to around 19 school days missed across a year, which is almost four weeks of learning. Over a child's primary school journey, this can have a significant impact on progress, confidence, and achievement. Excellent attendance helps children build strong learning habits, develop positive relationships, and make the most of every opportunity available to them. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that children arrive at school on time and ready to learn each day.

We would also like to remind everyone to be mindful of our local community when travelling to and from school. We are very fortunate to have a large school car park available for parents and visitors. As a result, there should be no need for vehicles to be parked across residents' driveways, on double yellow lines, or in restricted areas around the school. We ask all families to park considerately and show respect to our neighbours, helping us maintain positive relationships within the community and ensuring that everyone remains safe during busy drop-off and collection times.

We have two important events coming up.

Our Year 6 Residential Meeting will take place on 17th September and will provide families with key information about the upcoming residential visit. We are also hosting a Phonics Workshop for parents who would like to learn more about how to support their children's reading and phonics development at home. The workshop will be held on 21st September at 9.00am and repeated on 22nd September at 2.30pm. We strongly encourage parents to attend one of these sessions. Reading regularly at home is one of the most powerful ways to support children's learning, and these workshops will provide practical strategies and guidance that can be used straight away.

Finally, I would like to reflect on our vision and values for Bocking School. We are committed to providing a safe environment where children grow in confidence and become independent learners and thinkers who are proud of their achievements. Through an inspiring and exciting curriculum, we build upon every child's strengths while remaining inclusive of all interests and abilities. By working together as a school community, we can ensure that our children develop the skills, knowledge, and character they need for a successful and happy future.

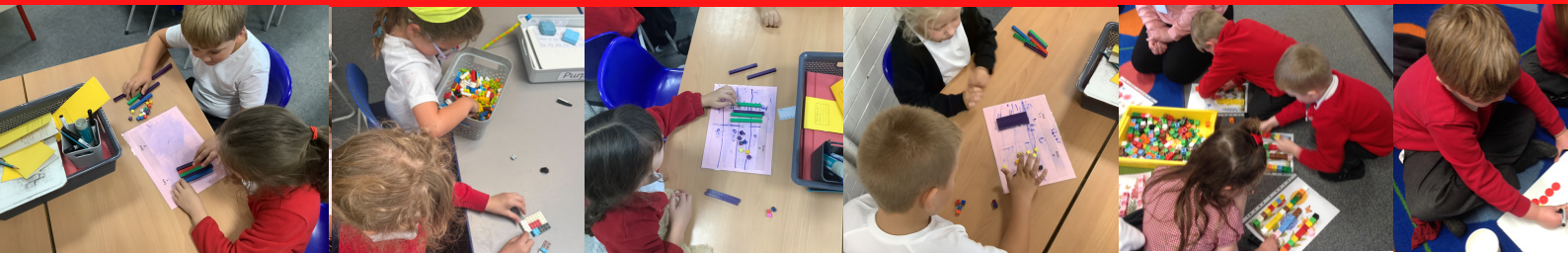
Our values underpin all that takes place within our school:

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

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Cagney



STAR OF THE WEEK

EYFS - Noah
Year 1 - Isla
Year 2 - Ella
Year 3 - Rhys
Year 4 - Penelope
Year 5 - Joseph
Year 6 - Noah

CLASSROOM NEWS...

YEAR EYFS

In EYFS, we have been so impressed with how well the children have adapted to school life and settled into the routines of the school day. They are already becoming familiar with the wider school environment and have even started joining the older children at break time! We have been getting to know each other and talking about our likes and dislikes, as well as who we live with and how our families help and care for us. The children enjoyed talking about a special member of their family and drawing pictures to share their ideas. We have also been developing our listening skills in preparation for phonics. We practised copying sounds by watching the shapes our mouths made in a mirror and copied rhythm patterns using pictures to help us remember. We have already learnt so many new things in EYFS and are looking forward to the exciting journey ahead!

AR READERS

Year 3 -

Year 4

Year 5 -

Please remember we are a No Nuts School, that includes Nutella

All items of clothing should be named.

Water only in bottles please.

Polite Reminder: The school toilets are closed for cleaning from 3:20.



YEAR 1

We have had a very busy and exciting week in Year 1! In English, we have been working hard on our sentence writing, remembering to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. In maths, we have been representing numbers in different ways, using objects, pictures and tens frames to help us. In science, we have been learning all about the seasons and spotting the changes that happen as we move into autumn. In history, we have continued exploring toys from the past and comparing them with the toys we play with today. We have also enjoyed lots of talking, teamwork and creative activities across our other lessons.

YEAR 2

What a fun first full week back we have had! We have been settling into our new routines, working hard on our presentation and taking pride in making our work neat and tidy. In history, we have been learning all about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole, so ask us what we can remember about them at home! We have also been busy writing our own short stories and practising how to build clear, interesting sentences. In srt, we have been exploring the colour wheel and discovering the difference between hot and cool colours, which we are now using to create our very own sunset artwork. We can't wait to see our own masterpieces!



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

93% - EYFS
93% - Year 1
96% - Year 2
95% - Year 3
96% - Year 4
94% - Year 5
97% - Year 6
 Attendance target 95%

Please be aware that the gates open at 8:35, and your child is marked late, affecting their attendance from 8:50am. Punctuality is a valuable lifelong skill. Late arrival affects not only the pupil who is late but disrupts the whole class. Where a pupil arrives after the registers close, with no justifiable reason, a U code will be entered into the register. The U code amounts to an unauthorised absence for the whole session. We must warn you, a penalty notice may be issued where there have been at least ten sessions of unauthorised absence during a rolling 10 school week period.

ATTENDANCE AND ONLINE SAFETY...

Attendance Ladder



Next week, we will be celebrating National Coding Week, with a particular focus on the theme of Artificial Intelligence (AI). As technology continues to play an increasingly important role in our daily lives, it is important that children develop an understanding of coding, computational thinking and how AI is shaping the world around them.

During their TOPS sessions, pupils will take part in a range of fun and engaging coding activities designed to build problem-solving, creativity and digital skills. We encourage families to continue the learning at home, and there are lots of free resources and activities available online for children to explore together. Have fun and we look forward to hearing about what new skills they have learnt!

<https://www.raspberrypi.org/learn>
<https://www.codemonkey.com/>
<https://arcade.makecode.com/>
<https://www.stem.org.uk/codingweek>



CLUBS...

Clubs: Autumn 1

Monday

3.15-4.15

Taskmaster Book Club

Years 1-2

Tuesday lunchtime

12.15-1.15

Lego Club

All Welcome

Wednesday

3.15-4.15

FITC Football Club

Years 1-3

Thursday

3.15-4.15

FITC Football Club

Years 4-6

Friday

mornings from 8.30

iRock

All welcome

Friday

3.15.4.15

Taekwondo

Years 3-6

FITC clubs are available through the following link:

<https://fitc-academy.class4kids.co.uk/>

iRock club is available through the following link:

<https://www.irockschool.com/>

Taekwondo club is available through the following link:

<https://www.olympustaekwondo.com/>