DITCHINGHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

17th May 2024

Executive Head

All children have been working exceptionally hard this week as we finish of half term topics. I have been particularly impressed by our Y6s who have been completing their SATs test this week. They have all approached these sensibly and tried their very best. We are very proud of all that they have achieved, and we are pleased that they know that this is just one way of measuring their outcomes in Primary school; Every single one of them shine in so many ways!

Mrs Brand

Robins

This week during our science lessons we have been discussing the importance of exercise. Using a plan of our school playground, we drew and labelled some ways in which we could be more active. During geography we labelled and learnt some key facts about some tops tourist spots found in some of the cities of the UK. In art this week we have collecting natural resources and using them to make our own impressions in clay. During our RE lessons, we have been discussing what adults and friends in our lives do and say to show that they love and care for us. We have also drawn pictures to show ways we show love and consideration for others. During maths Reception have been learning to rotate and manipulate shape, year 1 have been making and recording doubles, whilst year 2 have been recording time to half past, quarter to and quarter past the hour.

Barn Owls

This week we have started our new text in English - retelling the story of the Pied Piper and it's moral. We have read it as 'readers', understanding the story and responding to questions. In maths we have worked together as a class as we didn't have access to our usual rooms due to SATs. We have worked on analogue and digital clocks, especially converting digital from 12 hour to 24-hour format. Please practise this at home. In history we have looked at why the Mayan society collapsed so quickly and in science we had a great time outside for a whole afternoon, pond dipping and bug hunting, before using our classification skills to work out which type of invertebrate or vertebrate we had found. Finally, we announced this year's play, gave out parts and have already started to learn lines and songs. We will expect all pupils to know all their lines and words for the first rehearsal a on the Monday after half term.

Golden Eagles

This week has been a little bit different in Golden Eagles, as year 6 have been sitting their SATs! They have all worked so incredibly hard and they approached the week with a positive attitude which they maintained throughout. Year 5 have been very supportive of year 6, working in lots of other parts of the school and being extremely quiet when required! As well as SATs, we have also fitted in lots of other learning. We did some golf in PE on Monday and looked at putting and chipping. We also learned different styles of songs in music. In science we have been creating our own branching keys and have also had a look at the different living things on our school grounds.

Wraparound Care Provision

Please take a moment to complete the following questionnaire from Norfolk County Council regarding wraparound care at our school

https://forms.office.com/e/GUFCr707Uw

Prayer

Mighty God from up high,
You are the Lord of the earth and sky,
We know we sometimes get things wrong,
We're sorry for those things we've done.
We thank you for our families, friends and school,
We thank you for loving us all.
Please can you let our lights shine, In all our work, including mine.
Amen



Reading Wings

Robins
Are this weeks winners!

Attendance

Robins
Have the highest attendance this week!

Whole School Attendance
YTD

95.58%

Important Dates

Red dates have been added/updated since previous newsletters

- 20/05 - Barn Owls Hockey at Langley (certain pupils)
- 22/05 - Y6 visiting Bungay Residential Care Home
- 23/05 - Bake Sale fundraising for Y6 Leavers Trip
- 24/05 - Golden Eagles visit from Hobart
- **24/05 - Last day of Summer Term 1**
- **03/06 - First day of Summer Term 2**
- 03/06 - Barn Owls swimming
- 04/06 - Premier Sports Mini Dance Event Whole School - Please wear PE kit
- 10/06 - Barn Owls swimming
- 13/06 - Y6 Bungay High School Transition Evening
- 14/06 - Y6 Road Safety Session
- 17/06 to 19/06 - Golden Eagles Horstead Residential
- 17/06 - Barn Owls Swimming
- 19/06 - DAFS Clothes collection final day
- 20/06 - Barn Owls & Golden Eagles Athletics Event at UEA
- 20/06 - After School Club Cancelled
- 21/06 - Ditchingham Sports Day
- 24/06 - Barn Owls Swimming
- 25/06 - Premier Sports Tri Golf all classes - wear PE kit
- 26/06 - Y6 Bungay High Transition Day
- 27/06 - Y6 Bungay High Transition Day
- 01/07 - Barn Owls Swimming
- 02/07 - Internal Transition Morning
- 04/07 - KS2 Play 1.30pm & 6.00pm
- 07/07 - Ditchingham Grand Village Fete
- 08/07 - Barn Owls Swimming
- 08/07 - Y6 to Crucial Crew
- 08/07 - Hobart Transition Y6
- 09/07 - Hobart Transition Y6
- 10/07 - Hobart Transition Y6
- 10/07 - Bungay Transition day Y5
- 10/07 - Barn Owls trip to Beccles Quay
- 12/07 - Y6 to Pleasurewood Hills
- 15/07 - Internal Transition Afternoon
- 15/07 - Barn Owls Swimming
- 16/07 - Long Stratton High School Transition
- 17/07 - Long Stratton High School Transition
- 18/07 - Y6 Leavers assembly 9.00am
- **19/07 - Last day of the academic year**
- **04/09 - First day back at school**

UPDATE

Communications

We are no longer moving to Arbor for payment and communications. You can continue to pay via Parentmail as usual!

Enrichment Clubs

Summer Term 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Club ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail	***Morning Club*** ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail	***Morning Club*** ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail	***Morning Club*** ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail	***Morning Club*** ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail
After School Club ***3.20pm - 4.20pm*** **Mrs FB Lego Club** £25 this half term via Parentmail Single session £4 - via Parentmail	***After School Club*** ***3.20pm - 4.20pm*** **Premier Sport Football** £25 this half term via Parentmail Single session £4 - via Parentmail	***After School Club*** ***3.20pm - 4.20pm*** **Mrs Woodgate Messy Arts & Crafts** £25 this half term via Parentmail Single session £4 - via Parentmail	***After School Clubs*** ***3.20pm - 4.20pm*** **Mrs White Rounders** £25 this half term via Parentmail Single session £4 - Book via Parentmail	***After School Clubs*** **3.20pm - 4.20pm** **Mrs Woodgate Board games** £25 this half term via Parentmail Single session £4 - Book via Parentmail

Please contact the school office if you require financial support or head to https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs

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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BUNGAY TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
SOCCER IN THE COMMUNITY.CO.UK

To Book,Call or Text Darell Sibbons 07985 75 80 80

May Half Term Holiday 2024
Matches Days For School Years 4,5,6,7,8
Wednesday 29th May
Thursday 30th May
Friday 31st May
10am-2pm Cost £15.00
Limited to 24 Children each day as on Astroturf Court

ALL SOCCER SCHOOLS ARE HELD @ BUNGAY TOWN FC ASTROTURF PITCH NR35 2RU
FREE Medal for everyone, and chances to win other Medals,Trophies and Prizes
Coaches are FA and COERVER qualified, with
Emergency Aid, Safeguarding, and DBS Certificates
Players of all abilities are welcome, however exceptional quality players will be recommended to Ipswich Town Fc
Please get your child to bring with them, SHIN PADS, WATERPROOF JACKET, FOOTBALL TRAINERS,
DRINKS (not fizzy) and PACKED LUNCH.


Beccles Carnival Queen
Prince and Princesses
2024
Queen
Aged 17 to
40 Years
Prince and
Princesses
age 8 to 14
Sunday 26th May
At Hungate Hall, Beccles
Doors Open at 2pm
Entry forms via becclescarnival@outlook.com
To Enter You Must
...live within 10 miles of beccles or...
Work, or go to school in beccles