

The Bythams Weekly Newsletter



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On Monday, we welcomed Sam Ruddock, current World Champion in the men's C1 time trial category (1km competition), who claimed his world title in October at the UCI Para-Cycling Track World Championship in France. Sam spoke to all the children about his disability and the importance of maintain focus and not becoming distracted in order to achieve goals.

On Thursday, a small group of children from Badgers class attended a rugby tournament held in Stamford. A huge well done to the team who played brilliantly and tried their best in each match. Thanks also for the offers of help to transport the children to and from Stamford - without this support, we wouldnt be able to attend!

Today is 'Red Nose Day', thank you to all who wore something red with their uniform today or donated to the charity. This year, we have not taken cash in school, but if you would like to make a donation you can visit [Donate | Comic Relief](https://www.comicrelief.com) to do so.

Unfortunately, the 'Spinney Spring Thing' tomorrow has been postponed due to the very wet conditions and forecast for the day. As soon as we have the new date, well let you know. FOBS have informed me that the last 'Break the Rules Day' raised £102.42 - a huge thanks for your support. I have had a conversation with Sam Bone, the new FOBS chair, about fundraising ideas and how money raised can be used in school over the next few months. FOBS have some great ideas and were looking forward to running some events - please do get in touch with her if you have any ideas or free time to volunteer - fobs.chair@outlook.com.

Next Monday afternoon, we will welcome the Lincolnshire Stay Safe Partnership to deliver online safety training to the Year 2 and Year 3 children.

During the final week of term, we will hold remote parents' meetings to discuss the progress your child has made this year. Slots are still available to book, so please do log onto parentmail to select an appointment time and a Teams link will then be sent out to you in readiness for the meeting.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Martin

Key Dates
 w/c 27th Mar
Parents' Evenings
 Thurs 30th
 Final football league match against Uffington
 Fri 31st
 Last day of term 4
Easter Holidays
 Mon 3rd Apr -
 Fri 14th Apr

w/c 17th Apr
 Mon 17th Apr - Training
 Day for staff, closed to pupils
 Tues 18th - Term 5 begins

Please remember to send children to school with a named water bottle, hat, gloves and coat!



This week's award winners are:

Hedgehogs Class

This week our award goes to Sophia-Rose for demonstrating great focusing, listening and always being the first one ready for our lessons. Sophia I can rely on you to be a great example for the rest of the class, well done!

Squirrels Class

Riley is awarded the Award of Excellence for his fantastic RE work on Baptism. Reggie Robinson also have been awarded the Award of Excellence for being an all round superstar, he has a positive attitude to everything he faces and demonstrates many of the school values.

Foxes Class

Poppy wins the award in Y3 for some excellent, confident learning in maths work using grams and kilograms
 Esther wins the award in Y4 for writing using the features of a newspaper report as the health correspondent

Badgers Class

Charlie has been awarded the Award of Excellence for his determination in Maths.
 Lily-Anna has also been awarded the Award of Excellence for listening to and taking on board advice and feedback to improve her work.



PE for Term 4

Hedgehogs: Tuesdays
Squirrels: Mondays (Fridays for Year 1 at Witham Hall)
Foxes: Tuesdays
Badgers: Mondays



Well done to Squirrels class with 98.18% attendance this week!
 Our whole school attendance this week was: 95.13%
 Spring Term: 95.91%

Hedgehogs Class

This week Hedgehogs had a special visitors arrive on Monday who were very, very hungry! We are looking after some caterpillars for the next 3 weeks and we will watch them through their lifecycle from caterpillar, to chrysalis and eventually to butterflies. We will release them once they are fully developed. We will update you on their progress as they progress.

Our maths topic this week is all about measurement using words such as long, longer, longest, short, shorter, shortest and tall, taller, and tallest. We started the week using our own footprints to measure the classroom, then we had a competition to see who could build the tallest tower, and we finished the week using playdough to make long and short 'snakes'. What things can you measure at home?

We have started to write our Jack and the Beanstalk story using our phonics. We are trying really hard to sound out the words that we say. You can have a look at these on Friday 24th March where we will have a stay and play session from 2:30pm.



Squirrels Class

We have had some new 'reading for pleasure' books delivered in the Squirrels class, and some of the children couldn't wait to read them. It was lovely to watch year twos reading to year one children, or using their improved reading skills to try reading books themselves. They are really looking forward to bringing them home to share with you.



In history, we have really enjoyed learning about the toys our parents played with—and the Cabbage patch doll and Tamagotchi bought back fabulous memories for Mrs Morris and Mrs Foster too! We have also started to build our family trees and hope you can help to finish them.

Foxes Class

This week foxes celebrated British Science Week by being scientists investigating the effect of different drinks on our teeth. We planned a fair test and made predictions about which liquid will be most damaging to the teeth, using egg shells to represent the enamel of our teeth.



Foxes are becoming very knowledgeable about the connections and processes within the human digestive system. We made a domino game matching organs to their functions.

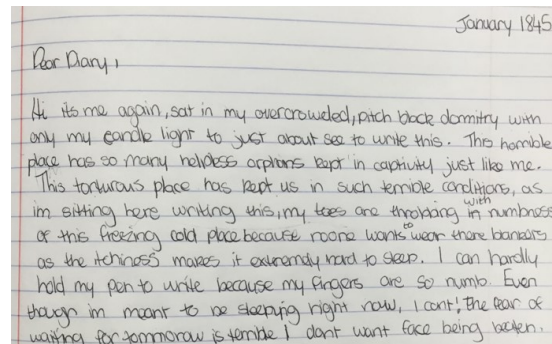


In English this week, we have read and written newspaper reports about research into healthy eating. We pretended to be reporters and news correspondents, using the structure of newspaper reporting.

We created some interesting headlines and by-lines to hook in our readers. Children enjoyed reading out their reports—we have some budding journalists in foxes!

Badgers Class

This week in Badgers class we have been working on a diary account in English. Linked to our topic, Victorians, children put themselves in the shoes of a Victorian child working in a workhouse and they wrote a diary account describing a day in their life. Children showed real empathy and used some great emotive language in their diaries.



In P.E this week, we moved on to learning how to throw a discus. By the end of the lesson, children were able to correctly hold the discus and throw it more accurately at a greater distance.

