

The Bythams Weekly Newsletter

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Friday 22nd April 2022

It has been lovely to welcome back the children after such a long Easter break away from school. Its been a shorter week but the teachers have managed to pack lots in over the last few days!

We welcomed Mrs Kate Kerton to the teaching team this week to work alongside Mrs Goddard in Squirrels Class. She has been made to feel very welcome and I know she is looking forward to working with our children and families. Mrs Sam Lamb will begin her new admin assistant role next Monday - please do bear with us whilst Sam gets up to speed.

Today, we welcomed Mr Robert Brownlow, Mr Mike Ward and Mrs Christine Hawkes into school, to present the winners of the St James Church card competition with vouchers for the Castle Bytham Village shop. Congratulations to Darcey, Oliver, Harvey and Lydia - their cards will be printed for use in the future! Christine presented all children with a small egg or pack of sweets as a thank you to everyone for their entries.

Theres lots of exciting things happening next week too - on Wednesday, Paralympian Track Cyclist Sam Ruddock will be in school for an assembly with the Badgers and Foxes classes and we will also welcome coaches from Inspire+ to work with all classes and develop the new roles of 'Playground Leaders' with some of our Year 4 and 5 children.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Martin.

Key Dates

Term 5 Wednesday

20th April -

Friday 27th May

Mon 2nd May

Bank Holiday Monday

Mon 9th May

Year 6 SATS week—
all Year 6 must be in
school please

Mon 16th May

Young Voices

Fri 27th May

Jubilee 'Street Party

This week's award winners are:

Hedgehogs Class

Orson receives the Handwriter award for his beautiful pen grip, which he uses to colour neatly and precisely.

Zara receives the Award of Excellence for her imagination and determination creating a castle, then engaging her classmates to help and play with her.

Squirrels Class

Award of excellence goes to Seb for his great understanding of the compass directions.

Award of excellence to Charles for helping to demonstrate how to share objects equally for fractions.

Handwriting award goes to Bella for her improved handwriting, neat presentation and making her writing make sense.

Foxes Class

Award of excellence goes to Yuan for fantastic work during Guided Reading.

Award of excellence goes to Jessica for her effort during the Netball PE lesson.

Badgers Class

Awards of Excellence go to Grace and Kai - for their excellent attitude and effort in maths lessons learning about angles.

Congratulations to Zack who has achieved his pen licence.



PE for Term 5

Hedgehogs - Tuesday

Squirrels - Wednesday &

Foxes- Wednesday and

Friday

Badgers - Tuesday

100%

Well done to Squirrels class

with 98.55% attendance
this week.

Our whole school attend-
ance this week was:

96.18%

Hedgehogs Class

We have had a busy few days back. We went to the allotment to check on our wheat, which we planted last Autumn. We were astounded by its growth, it has even begun to grow its feathery 'ears'. We will be visiting the allotment weekly on a Thursday, growing lots of vegetables and fruit, then enjoying cooking some over the summer. We will be spending



much more time outside this term, we have lots of construction materials out, and this week we started to build a castle.

We have changed our role play shed into a builders yard, and looked at why some parts of the castle were not stable and how we could fix them.



Squirrels Class

It has been a busy start to the term already! We have written and edited a recount of our Easter holidays and we had a lovely time outside in PE learning some new netball skills (don't forget your PE kits next Wednesday please!)

In PSHE we started a new topic on Relationships where we met Zuton, his sister Zanta and their



friends from the planet Zarg!

On Thursday afternoon we travelled back in time with Magic Grandad to start our investigation into why Florence Nightingale is a significant person in our history.



Foxes Class

Unfortunately, Miss Paparozzi has been unwell for the last couple of days but she is looking forward to returning to work on Monday. The children have worked hard in their guided reading sessions and Maths work this week but have particularly enjoyed their two PE sessions!

On Wednesday, we welcomed a netball coach from Inspire+ who will be working with the children this term. The children enjoyed practising their netball skills and listened well, working well as a team.

On Friday, Foxes travelled to Witham Hall for their first Dance session. The children were impeccably behaved and particularly enjoyed moving as elephants! We look forward to seeing which other animals they will need to emulate in their dances over the next few weeks.



Badgers Class

In Badgers Class, everyone has come back to school with an excellent attitude to their learning—well done to you all!

Yesterday, Badgers Class had their first PSHE (Personal, Social & Health Education) on our new topic of on 'Relationships'. The children will be learning about different friendships and their feelings associated to them. Later this term, they will be thinking about how they use technology to communicate with their friends. This week Badgers started by considering themselves; they played Circle Time games outside in which they had to think about their own qualities and personalities.

