

# The Bythams Weekly Newsletter

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## Friday 24th June 2022

Another busy week and we are already nearly half way through this term! On Wednesday, we welcomed our new starters for September to school. It was brilliant to meet our new Reception children and their families. The children seemed to enjoy their time at school - particularly playing outside in the sand pit! There are two further stay and play sessions for the new Reception group and then our whole school transition morning for current Reception upwards will be on Friday 8th July. The childrens school reports will also be coming out to you on 8th July. Please note that this year, they will be sent out electronically to you via the Parentmail system.

I know the Foxes had a wonderful time on Wednesday with Mrs Issitt, as they participated in a special event led by St Gilberts school in Stamford. Please see the class page of the newsletter this week to find out more information! Badgers have had a fantastic time on their residential trip this week - Mrs Shepherd and our other staff have been really impressed with how well the children have represented the school, as well as their bravery and perseverance when trying something new! Please see the photos on the next page and I am sure Mrs Shepherd will add further images to the school website in due course.

I am just in the process of setting up a school Twitter account, and hope to be able to use this as another way to share the wonderful things that happen at our school. More information to follow - it would be great if you are able to follow us!

A reminder that I may well be absent for the next two weeks due to Jury service. Please email head@bythams.lincs.sch.uk or speak to Mrs Shepherd in my absence.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Martin

### Key Dates

Term 6 Mon 6th June to  
Fri 22nd July

w/c 4th July

Fri 8th - Transition morning  
and childrens reports  
out

w/c 11th July

Tues 12th - Squirrels as-  
sembly

Wed 13th - Hedgehogs  
assembly

Thurs 14th - Sports Day  
(pm)

w/c 18th July

Tuesday 19th - Foxes  
assembly

Fri 22nd - Badgers Leavers  
Performance 9.15 am  
Castle Bytham Village Hall

### This week's award winners are:

#### Hedgehogs Class

Darcey for her independent detection of odd numbers.

#### Squirrels Class

The Award of Excellence goes to Lilly for finding missing numbers in a number pattern.

The Award of Excellence goes to Bella for asking and answering questions about nocturnal animals.

Handwriter of the Week goes to Poppy for working hard to improve her presentation

#### Foxes Class

The Award of Excellence goes to Poppi for her amazing spelling this week!

The Award of Excellence goes to Thomas for his understanding of grid references on an Ordnance Survey Map.

The Award of Excellence goes to Samuel D for his research on Sir Isaac Newton during our history learning.

#### Badgers Class

Well done to the Badgers Class for a fantastic residential trip - the children have been super ambassadors for the school, showing great team work and being brave to try new things!

### PE for Term 6

Hedgehogs - Tuesday and  
Friday

Squirrels - Wednesday

Foxes - Wednesday

Badgers - Tuesday



Well done to Badgers class  
with 99% attendance this  
week!

Our whole school  
attendance this week was  
92%

### Hedgehogs Class

The children have loved their first sessions at Witham Hall. The first week, we enjoyed using the outdoors facilities, practising athletics ready for sports day. Now, we are exploring cricket and ball skills. We had some time in the hall to avoid the sun, but the children were amazed at the size of it! They have all progressed with their throwing and catching skills so much over the year.



Wow it's so big!



### Squirrels Class



The children have been busy finding out about castles, particularly a Motte and Bailey castle as this is the type of castle we have in Castle Bytham. We spent the afternoon in Hedgehogs' sand-pit and used simple paper models to explore how this type of castle works. We have learned the names of the different parts of the castle and what each part was used for.



### Foxes Class

We have enjoyed a very busy week in Foxes class. On Wednesday we took part in a churches together schools' festival where we learned about the good Samaritan and spend some wonderful time thinking about the qualities that make a good friend. Foxes class made a colourful paperchain containing these qualities that is now proudly displayed in our classroom.

In history and geography this week we have been researching and investigating our local area. We have discovered many new historical facts about the villages and towns that surround us, uncovered some famous people and learned how to read an ordnance survey map. The children had fun creating their local study fact files.



### Badgers Class

