

# The Bythams Weekly Newsletter



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What a busy week! It seems to have flown by so quickly!

Hedgehogs class have been continuing their learning about our own and other countries and I know they have enjoyed the special visitors coming into school to share their experiences - thank you to our willing volunteers so far!

On Tuesday, we had a new screen fitted in the library which will support learning of all groups across the school - the image from the old projector was proving tricky to see, so we are pleased that the children will now be able to read what they are learning more clearly!

As we are working as a partner school to the English Hub in Lincoln, we had a visit from a literacy specialist on Wednesday and she was really pleased to see the impact our Read, Write, Inc programme is having on supporting childrens early reading. She was also excited to see the texts we have added to our reading for pleasure book shelves. Well done to Mrs Jack, Mrs Morris and all staff for their hard work in this area this year! I know the children are looking forward to sharing the new books with you and we will be organising a reading for pleasure workshop soon which we hope youll be able to attend.

Hopefully, you will have seen the information FOBS have sent out with regard to our plans to celebrate the Kings Coronation next Friday afternoon (5th May). We do hope that youll be able to join us from 2-3pm for the family picnic - tea/coffee and cake will be available to purchase during the afternoon, with food for the school children being provided after a successful Lottery grant application made through the Parish Council - our thanks to them for their support. Please do bring your own picnic items to enjoy and seats/picnic blankets for the field. Lets keep our fingers crossed for dry weather!

Dont forget that this coming Monday, 1st May, is a Bank Holiday and so school will be closed to all. Well see everyone on Tuesday 2nd May! Have a lovely long weekend, Mrs Martin.

### Key Dates

**Mon 1st May**

Bank Holiday, school closed

**Fri 5th May**

Kings Coronation events

**Mon 8th May**

Bank Holiday, school closed

**Tues 9th-Fri 12th May**

Y6 SATs

**Thursday 4th May**

Hedgehogs class assembly, 9am

Please ensure children have water bottles in school.



### This week's award winners are:

#### Hedgehogs Class

Daisy has been fantastic at getting into character this week for our upcoming performance of Jack and the Beanstalk for our class assembly. Her voice is brilliantly loud as she 'bellows' out the lines! Well done, Daisy!

#### Squirrels Class

Laila-Mae has been awarded the Award of Excellence for her work in science, Laila puts in 100% effort and should be proud of her work

Zara-Louise has been awarded the Award of Excellence for her guided reading work—she reads the text fluently and is then able to answer questions.

#### Foxes Class

The year 3 award goes to Poppy for some great explanation writing, using paragraphs and trying hard with spelling new words.

The year 4 award goes to Bentley for writing some clear instructions in chronological order, including a great illustration

#### Badgers Class

Tilly has been awarded the Award of Excellence award for her perseverance and concentration shown in Maths this week.

Ernest has also been awarded the Award of Excellence award for his problem solving in Maths.

### PE for Term 5

Hedgehogs: Tuesdays

Squirrels: Mondays

Foxes: Tuesdays (Fridays at Witham Hall)

Badgers: Mondays



Well done to Badgers class

with 91.45% attendance this week!

Our whole school attendance this week

was: 88.92%

Year to date: 94.28%



### Hedgehogs Class

This week we enjoyed a little taste of France, eating croissants, baguettes and pain au chocolates and voted which one we like the best. We then made a bar chart of our results and discovered that we equally like croissants and pain au chocolates as a class. Oliver Parr's mummy came in to speak to us about where she grew up and how things have changed since she went to school. It was interesting to hear how things have changed since she was a little girl. In maths this week we have continued to make numbers to 20, this time ordering them and spotting patterns. We helped 'rebuild' the Numicon city after an evil villain destroyed it with his powers. We became superheroes and used our knowledge of numbers above 10 to make towers. We started our new talk for write story "Handa's surprise" reading this through and playing with our special Handa's surprise tuff tray in the classroom. We look forward to seeing you at 9am on Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> for our class assembly.



### Squirrels Class

We have started two new computing topics this term, each year group are learning their own unit. Year 1 children are focusing on keyboard skills. They are learning what the keys mean and using a Word Processor to type on.



Hello I am Darcey and I am in Squirrels and I am six

The year 2 children are making music this term. We looked at making rhythms and began with using instruments and counters for the patterns. They then went onto Chrome Music Lab and created their rhythms. They loved this program and if you want to have a go at home go to: <https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/> and click on the Monkey.

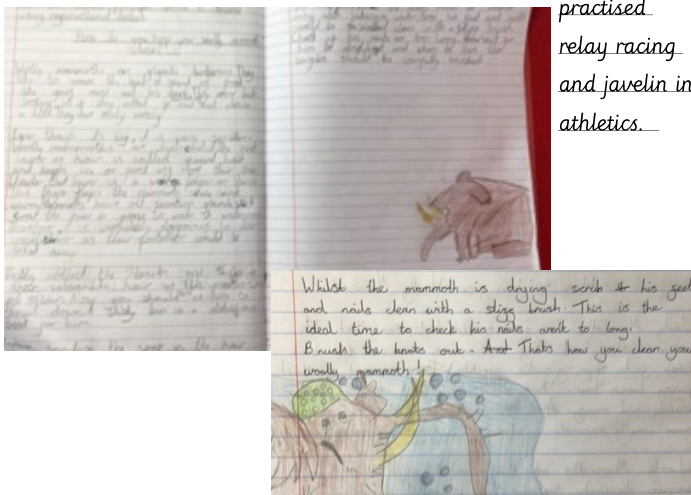


### Foxes Class

In English this week, we have been writing to entertain by writing explanation texts for 'How to clean your woolly mammoth'. Children wrote some humorous examples, using the features of this genre. We read our writing to an audience.



Foxes enjoyed our PE lesson at Witham Hall School last Friday. We practised relay racing and javelin in athletics.



In maths this week year 3 began their new block of learning about money. Y4 children have been learning to compare and order decimal numbers.

### Badgers Class

This week, Badgers continued to develop skills needed to play cricket. The focus this week was attacking the ball. We did a range of activities to practise the skill before playing a very fast paced game! Children really enjoyed the session and they are showing a real love for the sport.



In Science, we have continued learning about living things and their habitats and our focuses have been learning about gestation periods for different mammals as well as learning about the differences and similarities in different life cycles.

Year 5 have been working hard to research facts and plan a non-chronological report for a chosen animal with Mrs Goddard, whilst year 6 have been revising different topics in Maths, Grammar and Reading.

Well done Badgers! Another busy but great week!