

The Boreham Beacon



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Boreham Primary School

A Friendship School



'Daring to aim high, scale new heights, spread our wings and fly far'



HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Reception: Ella

Year 1: Oscar

Year 2: Jessica

Year 3: Orla P

Year 4B: Libbie

Year 4BU: Alfie

Year 5: Oliver

Year 6: Karthika



CLASS ATTENDANCE AWARD

The classes with the best attendance for the week commencing 14th September were Reception and 4B both with 98%. Well done!

HOUSE POINTS

House points for this week are:

Everest 266, Kilimanjaro 197, Nevis 229 and Olympus 341. Well done to Olympus.

F@BS PTA LAUNCH NEW WEBSITE

Families at Boreham School (F@BS) is a friendly group of parents and teachers who enjoy fund-raising and promoting the school positively. Events such as discos, inflatable evenings, Christmas Fayre and Summer Fetes are well received by children, our staff and their families and raise much appreciated funds for the school. The PTA makes such a valuable contribution, working tirelessly and enthusiastically to raise money for the school. With school budgets becoming increasingly that much tighter, the role of a PTA is crucial

in supporting our school to improve its provision for the children and staff. We regularly receive donations from them to purchase additional resources for our school such as our new Boreham-Bio-Dome, interactive whiteboards, school library and attractive playground markings.

I cannot thank Jasmine and all of her team enough, for their amazing dedication to Boreham Primary School. Please check out their new fundraising website at:

<https://sites.google.com/view/boreham-pta>

NEW SECONDARY ADMISSION ROUND FOR YEAR 6 PARENTS

The application period for admissions to Year 7 in secondary school for September 2021 opened on Friday 11 September 2020. Parents/carers of current Year 6 Essex resident children will be able to make their applications clicking on this link [website](#). Last year, 98% of Essex parents applied online. All of the application information, including the admissions booklets and policies are published on the website above. **The statutory national closing date for making an application is Saturday 31 October 2020.**

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BIRTHDAY SWEETS IN SCHOOL

Like many other schools, for the time being we have decided to stop children bringing in birthday sweets to give out to their class peers at the end of the day. This is just an additional measure we have decided to take and we appreciate your support in this.

HEALTHY HEROES TIP OF THE WEEK

Agent Lifestyle says: Drink plenty of water. Add more flavour by including fruits like berries, cucumbers, lemons and limes. We should be drinking at least 6-8 glasses of water a day to keep hydrated.



ONLINE SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK

Make sure your child knows not to share their personal information online. This includes sharing photos of themselves in school uniform.



MEET THE NEW STAFF AT BOREHAM

This week, meet, Miss Buchanan, our new Year 4 class teacher.

My Likes

I love all things musical! I sing, play the piano and the recorder.

I like making my own pasta. Italian food is my favourite!

I enjoy gardening. My favourite flowers are roses and sweet peas.

I love animals, especially dogs and horses.

My dislikes

I dislike things being untidy.

I dislike it when people are not polite and courteous.

I really hate the taste of coffee!

What works well for me?

Being open and honest with one another.

Always trying our best, even if we find something difficult.

Not being afraid to ask for help. We are all one big team and by working together we will succeed in anything we put our minds to!

People who know me say I am...

A good listener.

A problem solver.

Always challenging myself.



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Year 5



Our Reception Class enjoying their first ever yoga session with Mrs Tate!

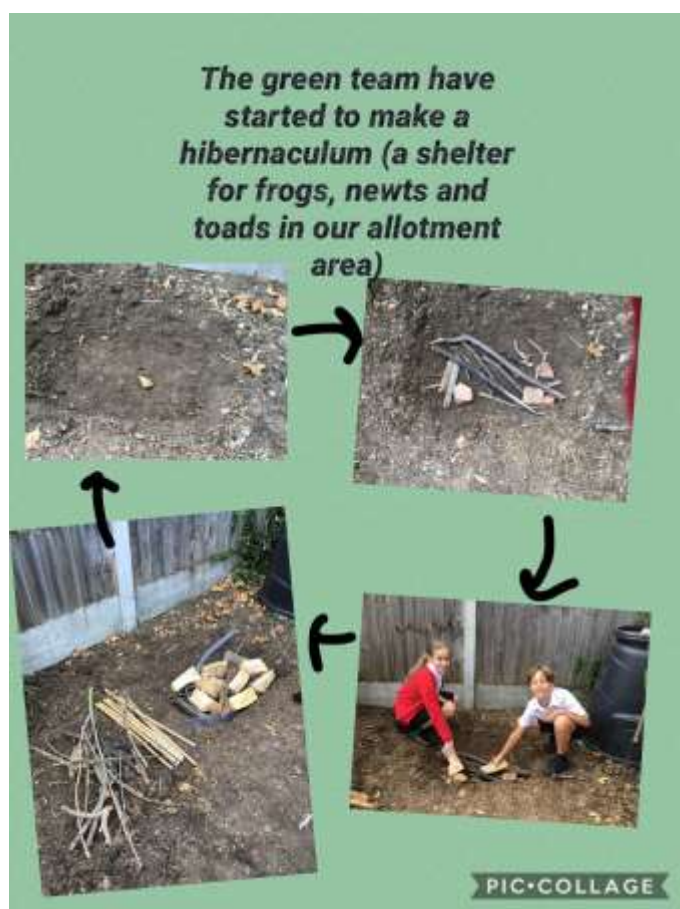


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GREEN TEAM

On Wednesday afternoon, our Green Team worked with one of our volunteers, Lynn Soulsby to create a hibernaculum!



HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMP

For the first time at Boreham Primary School, I am delighted to be able to inform you that Premier Education, who currently support many local schools with sport and PE, will be running a Multi-Sports Half Term Holiday Camp at the school. The camp will run from 9am-3:30pm from Monday 26th - Friday 30th October.

To book, head to www.premier-education.com, click 'book a course', then select Holiday Camps and type in Boreham to find the course. If successful, the school will also be arranging for Premier Education to run a Performing Arts holiday club during the Easter Holidays.

<https://mkv.screenlight.tv/shares/1IKwehRoQ9fA8aXV9MBFcuK0ceY1uOk7>

Follow the link above to watch a short video all about the Premier Education Holiday Camps.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

All pupils will be expected to attend school and arrive at school on time. It is **vitaly important** that parents and children are punctual in the morning every day to ensure that all children enter the school at their designated time so that class bubble groups are not mixed.

Yr Group	Arrival	Depart	Gate
Rec	8:50am	3:10pm	Main School Gate
1	8.55am	3.15pm	Main School Gate
2	8.45am	3.05pm	Main School Gate
3	8.40am	3.00pm	Main School Gate
4B	8.50am	3.10pm	Susan the Dragon Double Gate
4BU	8.55am	3.15pm	Susan the Dragon Double Gate
5	8.45am	3.05pm	Susan the Dragon Double Gate
6	8.40am	3.00pm	Susan the Dragon Double Gate

COVID-19 REMINDERS

It is essential that you must inform school leaders if your child or anyone in the household develops COVID-19 symptoms. Please follow government advice regarding isolating measures to reduce the risk of transmission.

If you have any concerns about your child/ren or they are displaying symptoms of stress or anxiety, please contact Mrs Powell at the school who is our named member of staff for all COVID-19 related queries and follow Public Health England (PHE) advice.

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- When dropping off your child at the Susan the Dragon gate there is no need to cross the road with your child. Mr Smith and I are on duty to safely see the children across the road and it is very important that adults remain on the other side of the road away from the class.
- Please refrain from lingering on the other side of the road, especially in groups as this is not respecting any form of social distancing. When you have dropped off or collected your child there is no need to wait, please leave the area opposite the school immediately. (Mrs Pinkney is on the playground on a daily basis to ensure that the children get to their class safely.)
- When dropping off a child at the main gate, please observe and respect appropriate social distancing maintain an appropriate gap in-between each family.
- We ask that all parents and carers respect the queuing system by joining the end of the line. (New social distancing signs have been added outside)
- Due to the significant increase in COVID cases, we would request all adults, especially when lining up outside the main gate at drop off and collection times to wear a face covering please. Whilst we cannot enforce this we would highly recommend it at this current time.
- On the occasions where you are invited onto school premises, by a senior member of staff, you will be expected to wear a face covering.

Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline is available to answer questions about coronavirus (COVID-19) relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

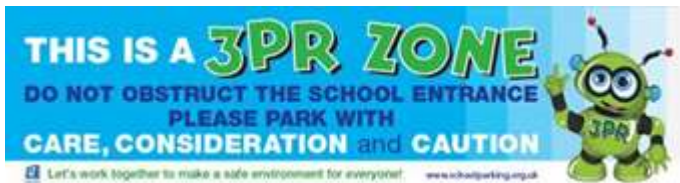
Opening hours:

Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm

Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm

PARENT COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL STAFF

Can I remind all parents that in the morning before school and directly after school, the priority for all of my staff at these times is to see our children across the road safely and into class. Therefore, it is not a suitable time for parents to be approaching staff with questions or concerns and we would ask that you either e-mail into the school or telephone the main school office. Like you, we find this limited contact with you very difficult as we have always prided ourselves on being an open-door policy school where you and your extended family members are welcome and we do dearly miss that very much. I can only hope that we will be able to allow you all back onto our school premises at some point before the end of the academic year.



THIS IS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT NOW WITH CHILDREN HAVING TO CROSS THE ROAD AT THE SUSAN THE DRAGON ENTRANCE GATES.

Please make every effort to refrain from parking in the designated areas which include;

- Anywhere on the yellow zig-zag lines which includes dropping off and collecting.
- The bends on either side of our school car-park.
- Across the dropped kerb opposite the main school gates which is the only safe place for pedestrians to cross.
- Directly opposite the school on either side of the bend that leads to a **residential** carparking area.
- Opposite the school field on the bend on Juniper Road as this obstructs through traffic.
- Across the entrance / driveway of any local residents' properties.

SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

Reverend Emma Wylie is happy for you to contact her and arrange to meet for a socially distanced chat or a 'walk and talk'. Emma will be joining school staff on the gate on a Wednesday morning when she can. Emma has vast experience when supporting members of a local community which includes; coaching, basic psychodynamic counselling, supporting parents with challenging children and running special needs and breast feeding type support groups too.

Rev Emma Wylie

Tel 07982723539 (feel free to text or Whatsapp etc)

Email: revemswylie@gmail.com

Facebook: Boreham church info

website: www.borehamchurch.org

twitter: @BorehamChurch

MEET THE GOVERNORS

This week, meet our newest governor, Mrs Lynn Soulsby. Lynn has already been volunteering at the school for two years, hearing readers as well as working tirelessly within our wildlife garden and allotment areas and making the flower beds at the front of our classrooms look amazing! Lynn is such a welcome addition to our governing body.

My name is Lynn Soulsby I have 3 children and eight grandchildren, 1 of whom is at Boreham School.

Before I retired I worked in a bank and my last and favourite job was working for a travel agent doing foreign exchange. Outside of school when I'm not involved with family I enjoy walking with a group of friends for several miles, singing in a choir, going to the theatre, reading, cooking and travelling.

I have been a volunteer at the school for the last two years. Listening to the children read, helping at the swimming pool, going on school trips and assisting with the Green Team. All of this has given me enormous pleasure and it's a joy to see the children's development. Since doing this I have seen first-hand the hard work and dedication of all the staff and governors and they have earned my respect. Recently I have been involved in gardening which is wonderful for me being an enthusiastic amateur. When I was asked to join the governors of course I was delighted and didn't need to think about it for one second. I'm looking forward to being part of this dynamic team and hope my involvement will benefit the school.



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COMMUNITY NEWS HARVEST

**St. Andrew's Church Harvest Service Sunday
27th September 10:30am**

St. Andrew's will be hosting (subject to government guidelines) an, All Age **Harvest Service**, with Holy Communion, celebrating the gifts of creation God has given us, and giving thanks for the food we eat & the beautiful nature which surrounds us, with a collection of non-perishable foods for Chelmsford Food bank.



F@BS PTA AGM

This years F@BS PTA AGM will take place online at 7pm on Thursday 15th October. If you would be interested in finding out more about our Parent and Teacher Association and join the online meeting to potentially become a member then please contact the school directly. Our F@Bs (Friends At Boreham School) work tirelessly to raise additional funds for our school which ultimately benefits the children.

ANIMATION CLUB

For those parents who have children who attend our Wednesday night after school Animation Club with Victoria Button, please be informed that the club will be moving into the main school hall from next week onwards and children will be dismissed at the end of the club from the main hall doors.

SCHOOL CLUBS WINTER MONTHS

During the winter months it will become increasingly difficult to run after school clubs outside. Therefore we will be looking to use our main hall to run as many clubs as we can for class bubbles some of which will be free of charge. More details to follow towards the end of this term.

EARLY BIRD AND NIGHT OWL

Following the successful re-opening of our before and after school provision, which has been operating for the first couple of weeks in our main hall, we are so pleased to now be in a position to move Early Bird and Night Owl back to its original home - the demountable classroom, which has been redesigned especially for this provision. The exterior of our demountable including the ramp and steps have all undergone extensive works ready for this academic year.

For all enquiries about our Early Bird and Night Owl provision please contact Mrs King in the main school office.

CENSUS DAY RAINBOW THEMED SCHOOL MEAL

Thursday 1st October 2020

**Hot Dog or Veggie Sausage or cold
filled baguette**

Rainbow Salad Pot

(Mixed peppers/cucumber/carrot)

Chips

**Ice Cream Factory with rainbow
toppings**



GOVERNING BODY VACANCY

At Boreham Primary School, we count ourselves privileged to have a very supportive, active and high profile set of governors. Our governing body is made up of parents, staff and other members of our local community. The governing body is led by Mr Roger Leeke, who has in excess of 25 years experience, leading two exceptionally successful and popular well known primary schools as Head Teacher. Our Governing Body is now looking to elect a new co-opted governor which will further strengthen its membership.

If you might be interested in becoming a governor, then please contact me directly at the school.

Mr Bowyer
Head Teacher



IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

A big thank you to Lee and Martyn from Happy Days photography. The children really enjoyed having their photos taken in The Portrait Truck. Children will be bringing home an individual code today for you to view and purchase the photos online.

IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK



WHERE OH WHERE IS BOREHAM BEAR

This week Boreham Bear visited Class 4B to look at some of the Roman shields that the children have made as part of their homework tasks.

