



Thomas Bullock Church of England Primary Academy **NEWSLETTER**

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

What a great week to be a Headteacher at Thomas Bullock! I have handed out a number of Headteacher stickers today for excellent writing and attitudes to learning across school.

I have been fortunate to enjoy watching EYFS retelling the story of stickman and making their own stickman families. Year 1 had a secret message in a bottle, and the vocabulary was astounding! Year 2 this week have enjoyed their first Christmas craft art club after school and made beautiful decorations. In Year 3, they have been writing instructions from the view of a Stone-Age early human. I joined a dance session in Year 4, and learned the Cha-Cha slide. Year 5 have written phenomenal character descriptions and written stories from the view of these characters and in Year 6 they have completed fabulous final versions of their Diary entries and enjoyed learning around Mayans.

Shining Lights of the Week

Ark Class	Lewis G for super writing and work on our families.
Oceania Class	Halle F for trying so hard with her spellings and phonics.
Asia Class	Cole for fantastic use of vocabulary during class discussions and in his independent writing.
Africa Class	Poppy for doing so well in all her reading activities this week.
S America Class	Sophie for showing kindness to others
Europe Class	Chloe for her kindness and compassion
N America Class	Siena for continued hard work and in particular her effort in tests

Whole School Attendance this week 98.13%

REMINDERS...

School Photographs

The deadline for ordering online is Monday 23rd November for free delivery to school. Orders placed after this time will result in a delivery charge.

Parent Café

Mrs O'Sullivan will be holding another Parent Café via Zoom this coming Monday 23rd November at 2.15pm. Please email the office by 1pm on Monday if you would like to join in and the link will then be forwarded onto you.

Reminders from the Friends of Shipdham School

Bag 2 School - drop off between 7th and 9th December.

Amazon Smile - Shop at www.smile.amazon.co.uk choose Friends of Shipdham School as your preferred charity and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to FOSS.



Financial Assistance

We are all aware that some of our families are struggling financially due to the impact of the coronavirus. Below is a link we have been asked to share on the **Norfolk Assistance Scheme**. This fund can help families in need and covers a range of areas:

- Daily living expenses
- Food
- Fuel
- Household items – fridge, cooker etc
- School uniforms / school meals
- Essentials – like toiletries, nappies etc

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/care-support-and-health/support-for-living-independently/money-and-benefits/norfolk-assistance-scheme>

We have also been asked by the **Shipdham Parochial Fuel Allotment Charity** to remind families that they are a Charity for residents who have lived in Shipdham for over 2 years and who find themselves in need of financial assistance. Please contact the school office for an application form.

Virtual Cross Country Competition

Children in years 1 to 6 took part in a virtual Cross Country competition this week. Yr 1/2 had to run 1000m, Yr 3/4 1200m and Yr 5 and 6 1400m. The individual times will be added together to give a class average and we will find out in December where we came against other schools in our School Partnership. Although this was a class competition we decided to award certificates for children who came 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in their classes.

Class		1st	2nd	3rd
Yr 1 – 1000m	Boys	Benjamin	Theo	Rory
	Girls	Harriet	Halle F	Rosie/Halli K
Yr 2- 1000m	Boys	Thomas	Cole	Arthur
	Girls	Esme	Elsa	Betsy
Yr 3 – 1200m	Boys	Jacob	Caleb	Max J
	Girls	Adelaide	April	Esme
Yr 4 – 1200m	Boys	Lily-May	Sophie	Evie Greaves
	Girls	Henry	Reggie/Archie	Niall
Yr 5 – 1400m	Boys	Edward	Stanley	Finley
	Girls	Ella	Keifa	Keira
Yr 6 – 1400m	Boys	Dominic	Harry Mc	Leo
	Girls	Brooke	Summer	Arin

Well done to everyone who took part. We have more virtual competitions coming up including Tri Golf and athletics.

Help the Homeless

Instead of the Shoebox appeal this year Miss Greaves is coordinating a collection of items to help the homeless. It's very simple... buy a pair of socks, fill one with any of the items listed below and pop the other sock inside.

- Soap
- Shower Gel
- Flannel
- Wipes*
- Tooth Paste
- Tooth Brush
- Sweets & Chocolate (wrapped)*
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Gloves
- Socks
- Hat

A box will be outside at the beginning and end of each day during week commencing 30th November.

*not to contain alcohol

Diary Dates

November

27th Flu Immunisation Years R - 6

December

4th Non Uniform Day for FOSS

Christmas Raffle donations

11th Christmas Jumper Day

16th Christmas Dinner Day

18th Last day of term

January

4th School re-opens

February

Half term week - 15th - 19th February

March

Easter Holiday - 29th March - 9th April

May

Bank Holiday - 3rd May

Half term week - 31st May - 4th June

July

Last day of term Wednesday 21st July

Africa Class

Here are some photos shared by Africa Class from this week including odd sock day to acknowledge Anti Bullying Week, recognising we are all unique!



Children in Need



We raised an amazing
£250.37
Thank you !

