



Thomas Bullock Church of England Primary Academy

NEWSLETTER

5th November 2021

 Diocese of Norwich
Education and
Academies Trust

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Thomas Bullock,

This week we have had fantastic parents' evenings, a school trip for year 4 and stay and play sessions for rising 3s. We are delighted to share with you our exciting news that from January 2022 we will be offering our Extended Early Years Nursery Provision on site at Thomas Bullock. There is a flyer attached as well as a link herewith if you would like to express an interest or find out more information.

<https://forms.gle/Ah8RiNKPJUeto24o8>

Please look out for our Autumn Parents' Survey which will be sent out next week.

Please be reminded of the enhanced COVID restrictions to all Schools referred to in the letter emailed on 30th October requesting social distancing and face masks at the beginning and end of the day.

Have a wonderful and safe Bonfire Night and weekend.

Shining Lights of the Half Term!

- Antarctica Class (yr R)** **Amelia** for amazing efforts with her sounding out and blending, in phonics and reading. She has tried really hard at home and school this week.
- Oceania Class (yr 1)** **Oliver** for his fantastic contributions during this week's lessons - he always has his hand up!
- Africa Class (yr 2)** **Kira** for her fantastic contributions and knowledge in our history lessons this week. Kira has shown brilliant listening skills in lessons to be able to absorb new vocabulary and demonstrate brilliant understanding. Well done !
- Europe Class (yr 3)** **Harry T** for working really hard in English this week. He wrote an amazing poem full of similes and metaphors.
- S. America Class (yr 4)** **Matthew** for changing his attitude towards learning, being on task and proud of his work. Matthew was also very brave on our school trip. Well done!
- Asia Class (yr 5)** **Rayne** for the amazing effort she is putting into all her learning. She has been working particularly hard in maths this week.
- N. America Class (yr 6)** **Ella** for her continued excellent effort with all of her learning and excellent contributions to class discussions.



WOW Moments!

Quinn (yr 1) got his first push bike over half term and rode without any help!

Rosie (yr 2) Over half term Rosie has managed to master rising trot on BamBam and is working hard on practicing her steering.

Edward (yr 2) Edward brought into School part of a tree where a Woodpecker had drilled a hole. The back of the trunk of the tree has been partly removed to expose the chamber where the young are kept. Hopefully everyone will get a chance to see at their Forest School session.



Please remember to continue to send in your **WOW** moments for achievements out of school <https://forms.gle/DV4RoVbQGpjcUMV7>

The week's overall attendance - 98%

South America Class

This year 4 attended a Roman workshop at the Time and Tide Museum. Throughout the day the children worked to learn and support the Iceni tribe and their leader Boudicca to defeat the Romans in a battle. The children pretended to be Roman soldiers to get information to give to the Iceni tribe. They learnt about the Roman shield formations and weapons. The children learnt how to throw axes and make 'torcs', which were sacred to the Iceni tribe as they believed they helped them in battle.





Oceania Class

Year 1 have been practising their addition by throwing bean bags into hoops, adding up their scores and counting on.



Stay and Play Session



We had beautiful weather for our stay and play session this morning. The children joined our Reception class children for an outdoor session with our Forest School Leader (socially distanced of course!)

Times Tables Rockstars Competition

There is a daily TTRS competition which Thomas Bullock will be taking part in. TTRS will be giving away Amazon vouchers to the top 3 highest-average-scoring primary-age classes across the country. Good luck TB !!

ENGLAND ROCKS 2021

Timings
Start date: 8th November 2021, 07:30 End date: 11th November 2021, 19:30 Daily open times: 07:30 - 19:30

Your school is now enrolled in this competition

Unenroll from competition

NOTICES

Class Clubs

Class Clubs are continuing to run as before from next week on a Tuesday or Thursday until 7th or 9th December. Mrs Marjoram will be starting a club for Reception Class and she will be sending out information separately about this.

EDP Book Tokens

We have registered with the EDP to collect the Books for Schools tokens published each day in the EDP. The more we collect the more books we will receive for the school.

Children in Need

We will be celebrating and fundraising for Children in Need next Friday 12th November. Along with the 'Topsy Turvy' lunch planned, we will have a special assembly and fun in class activities.



For a donation, it will be a non-uniform day and we would like children to Pudseyfy themselves to show their respect for Pudsey by wearing something spotty, putting on Pudsey ears, bandana etc.

Let's see if we can be a 'Spotacular' school and raise lots for this worthwhile cause. Collection pots will be outside school on the morning.

Stay Safe on Bonfire Night

Today, we had a special assembly regarding Bonfire Night and safety. Please see the reminder poster we shared with the children.



E Safety



We have been teaching the children the importance of e-safety and to be aware of what they access and tell an adult immediately if they see something that doesn't seem right. We teach them to be 'SMART' – ask your child what this acronym means?



Friends of Shipdham School
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Dear Thomas Bullock Families,

Friends of Shipdham School (FOSS) are a registered charity, no. 1041801 and we need your help. We are made up of a group of parents who organise fundraising events to raise money for Thomas Bullock CE Academy.

We fully appreciate that the last couple of years have been very difficult for many businesses, so we are especially grateful to all who have supported us during this time. As a charity, we too have encountered challenges, being unable to open our charity shop for several months & not being able to hold many of our usual fundraising events. We are however, holding a virtual Christmas raffle on December 10th. This is where we need your help, perhaps you, your employer or someone you know are willing to give us a donation for our Christmas Prize Draw? We would be extremely grateful of any prizes received.

Thank you for taking time to read this letter and we look forward to hearing from you. Of course, we are happy to arrange collection of your donation please feel free to email us;

Friendsofshipdhamschool@gmail.com

It's that magical time of year again! 🥰
(well almost 😊)

Our popular co-ordinating Christmas goodies are now available. Magic Reindeer Food (wildlife friendly) £1 each & Galaxy Hot Chocolate Crackers £1.50 each
All money goes to our registered charity Friends of Shipdham School

Contact the Friends via Facebook who can deliver or meet outside school.



DIARY DATES

October half term – 25th – 29th October inclusive

November

8th Flu Immunisation all year groups

12th Children in Need Day and Topsy Turvy Menu

15th Year 6 Playground Leadership Training

26th KS1 Gymnastics Festival

27th Christmas Fair alongside Village Christmas Street Market 11am-3pm

29th Year 1 London Transport Museum online workshop 'The Mystery Bus'

December

13th Year 6 School Nursing Team – Height & Weight Measurements

13th & 14th Lunchtime FOSS Christmas Shop

15th Year 1 and 2 to Holkham Hall – Christmas Experience *

16th Christmas Lunch and Carol Service*

17th Children's Party afternoon

Christmas Holiday – 20th December – 5th January inclusive

6th January School re-opens for Spring Term 1**

20th FOSS Film Night 5pm

February half term – 14th – 18th February inclusive

21st February School re-opens for Spring Term 2

March

24th & 25th Lunchtime FOSS Mothers' Day Shop

Easter Holiday – 4th April – 19th April inclusive

20th April School re-opens for Summer Term 1

May 2nd – School Closed – Bank Holiday

May half term – 30th May – 3rd June

6th May School re-opens for Summer Term 2

June

11th FOSS Yard Sale

16th & 17th Lunchtime FOSS Fathers' Day Shop

July

9th FOSS Summer Fete

15th FOSS End of Year Children's Disco

22nd July – Last day of term.

***New addition to calendar.**

**** Please note change of date for return to school. This additional day has been set in lieu of the Queen's Jubilee Bank Holiday in June which falls in half term.**



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School-based Extended Early Years (Nursery Provision) opening January 2022

Including 15 and 30 hour funded spaces available

Please contact our school office to reserve your space: 01362 820300 and
office@thomasbullock.dneat.org

Please complete the interest form: <https://forms.gle/Ah8RiNKPJUeto24o8>