



Thomas Bullock Church of England Primary and Nursery Academy

"Let your light shine" Matthew 5:14-16

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Thomas Bullock

Congratulations to our wonderful Year 2 pupils and staff for completing their SATs this week. They have worked very hard and we are so proud of their resilience. After half-term, our Year 4 children will undertake their Multiplication Test and Year 1 will take the phonics screen. Please do continue to practise with them in advance as well as your children's spelling words for the Spelling Bee.

Thank you to FOSS who raised a wonderful £226.80 at the Drynkings and Coronation Celebration. They would like to thank the Parish Council who made a donation which is included in this amount allowing the games to be free for the children.

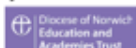
Well done to our children in Years 5 and 6 who took part in a 'Book Worms' competition this week at Northgate High School and a Frisbee competition at Taverham High School.

Shining Lights of the Week!

- Ark Nursery **Margot** is our shining light of the week for consistently showing our value of thankfulness. Margot is always polite; saying thank you to other children, as well as adults.
- Antarctica (yr R) **Leon** for his wonderful knowledge and facts on bees. He has used some brilliant scientific language and was able to explain pollination.
- Oceania Class (yr 1) **Fred** for an excellent innovated story of Jack and the Beanstalk in English.
- Africa Class (yr 2) **All of Africa class** for their hard work, determination and positivity this week for their SATs. Well done Year 2!
- Europe Class (yr 3) **Edward Mx** is our shining light of the week this week for being well mannered and caring towards others in school this week. He has been a fantastic role model.
- S America Class (yr 4) **Elsa** for her effort in maths. She has worked so hard on her times tables and thought of some fantastic rhymes to support our whole class learning. Elsa has been an extremely helpful and thoughtful member of our class.
- Asia Class (yr 5) **Noah H** for the effort he puts into his work every day. He also demonstrates thankfulness by being a polite, kind and thoughtful friend.
- N America Class (yr 6) **Lacey** for her effort over the last few weeks. She has been really focused and has been referring to her prior knowledge effectively to solve problems.



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WOW MOMENTS!

Dexter (yr 3) was awarded most improved player of the season for the U8s team with Shipdham FC.

Lois (yr 6) has received a KAD (Kids Around Dogs) badge from her dog training class.

Jude (yr R) completed Stage 2 in his swimming this week and is very excited to move onto Stage 3 now!

Jacob (yr 2) has been invested at his beavers group this week. He is now a member of yellow lodge.

Freya (yr 2) has practising her bike safety this week and facing her fears on biking through the forest. She has done it and her parents are super proud.

Harry, Theo (yr 3) and Oliver (yr 2) played their first tournament for Dereham saints U8s they reached the final and won 2-0. Oliver saved a goal in the final and they all won trophies, Oliver was also player of the tournament. Well done!

Freddie and Nellie (yr 3 and 2) completed the race for life on Saturday and raised £415 for Cancer Research.

Theo (yr 1) has moved up to stage 3 in swimming and jumped into the deep end of the pool this week!

Rosie (yr 3) had her first canter and jump in her riding lesson at the weekend and it was great fun!

Mrs O'Sullivan and other HTs in Breckland completed The Race for Life 10k on Sunday in 1hour 04 second and raised £200 for Cancer Research



Please remember to continue to send in you **WOW** moments for achievements out of school:

<https://forms.gle/DV4RoVbQGpijUMV7>

This week's overall attendance – 96.3% Africa Class (yr 2) 99%



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OUR KEY LEARNING QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Year Group	Key Learning Question of the week
1	What is England famous for?
2	Why do we celebrate Martin Luther King Day?
3	What challenges do humans face living in each biome?
4	How did the Ancient Maya read, write and tell the time?
5	Why were iron and coal important to the Industrial Revolution?
6	Can you locate places on a map?

Parents Book Look

Tuesday 23rd May 3pm – 3.20pm

Parents are welcome to come into school to have a look through their children's books. This will be held in the school hall before pick up time.

Africa Class (yr 2)

This week in English the children have been looking at instructions. We created actions for how to plant a tree. We then used our actions to go and plant our trees!

In Art we have used our printing tools we created to create our colourful prints.



Asia Class (yr 5)

Year 5 have really persevered with making their bird houses over the last two weeks. We've all had a go at drawing up our designs and sawing. We are looking forward to finishing them off next week, ready to be hung in gardens over half term!



Ultimate Frisbee Festival

Children from Year 4 and 5 took part in an Ultimate Frisbee Festival at Taverham High School on Thursday. This was a chance to try a different sport, we participated in 5 different activities and then played some friendly matches against the other schools. Well done to Erin in Yr 5 who was presented with the value certificate for honesty.



The Ark Nursery Newsletter

This week

In RWI Phonics this week, we have been introduced to special friends 'sh' and 'th'. We started our learning surrounding our new focus book 'Oliver's Fruit Salad'. We have tasted a range of fruit, even a super sour pink grapefruit! During our maths sessions, we learnt all about 3D shapes. Linked to World Bee Day tomorrow, we explored the life cycle of a honey bee, talked about why bees are important and what they do! We've completed lots of craft activities and spent lots of time outside, spotting bees as well as, other insects and plants.



Next week

We will continue learning special friends (sh, th and ch) in our RWI phonics sessions, applying this new knowledge while segmenting and blending to read green words. We will look further at 'Oliver's Fruit Salad' and consolidate our learning from the half term in Maths! We will learn more about healthy eating, fruits and how they grow and we will discuss adjectives to describe a range of them.

Learning links at home

- Do some planting (we have lots of seeds you can take home with you!) and talk through the different stages of planting a seed. How do we look after a plant?
- Spot 3D shapes around your home. Can you remember their names? How many faces do they have?
- Can you try a new piece of fruit at the weekend?

DIARY DATES

May

23rd Year 5 Trip to Gressenhall – ‘Victorian Whodunnit’
23rd Parents Book Look – 3pm – 3.20pm

Half term Monday 29th May – Friday June 2nd

June

5th INSET Day
6th School reopens
9th Spelling Bee Final- Dress as Bees*
14th FOSS Fathers’ Day Shop*
16th FOSS Fathers’ Day Shop*
19th Nursery Open Afternoon 1-2pm followed by stay and play
28th Choir to perform at Royal Norfolk Show
29th Years 3,4 and 5 to attend Royal Norfolk Show (choir performing)
30th Non-School Uniform Day- Please bring in your Tombola Prize for fete*

July

3rd Sports Day
5th – 7th Year 6 residential to Eaton Vale
8th 12 – 3pm Summer Fete*
11th Reserve Sports Day
17th Yr 6 Production ‘Treachery at Traitors’ Quay’ 3.30pm
18th Yr 6 BBQ 4.15pm
18th Yr 6 Production ‘Treachery at Traitors’ Quay’ 5.45pm
19th Leavers Service at Church 2pm
20th Move up Day
21st Last day of term * New addition