



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

I am not sure how we have come to the end of another school year! Wow! What a year it has been as well! We had two excellent celebration assemblies this week and what a number of recent events to celebrate. This term alone our school, led by our excellent PE teacher, has seen our school attend the county finals in Tennis and Cricket; our school achieve outstanding End of Year 6 SATs results, in all areas, putting us at the very top of the country for progress and academic achievement; A brilliant Sport's Day; Excellent Community events, including our Yard Sale, Fete and Disco; Our Year 6 Production and School Residential- lead by Mrs Fowler, Mr Wade and Mrs Heavens; Paid-for Trips to the Sea-side, Zoo, Author visits, food tasting and making experiences, Norfolk Show Experiences, Greek Days and more; bi-weekly visits from our incumbent Revered Laura- alongside a wonderful end of year service lead by her as well; as well as our first full Nursery Graduation!

I have many thanks to give, for us to be the fantastic community school we are, with such incredible pupils, we are supported so well firstly by our parents, who ensure their children are ready for learning each day, have read, completed homework and have excellent learning behaviours; A huge thanks goes to Jo Carroll and the FOSS team- for outstanding efforts to continue to grow; our Brilliant Governors with Jo Tinson as our Chair, who regularly attend our school to monitor and challenge our practice in all areas; our local Church and Reverend Laura for regular work with the children; the Thomas Bullock Trust, whose funding allows our children to access trips for free or at a greatly reduced cost- especially when we have seen such rises in transport and entry costs for our regular events/trips as well as providing for music, outdoor learning and awarding our children's fantastic success's at the end of the year; Our local Parish Councillors and members of the Parish who attend our school and support us regularly; our brilliant leaders at DNEAT who ensure excellence for our children; our incredible School Business Manager- Mrs Ward- who is always on-hand with support for our entire school community and always has the answer; alongside all of our amazing and fantastic staff- who give up so much of their time – out of regular schooling hours- on weekends and in holidays to make our school the best! Thank you all for helping us to 'let our light shine brightly!'



Year 6 proudly showing off their SATs achievements and wearing hoodies kindly gifted by FOSS



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WOW MOMENTS!

Millie (yr 4) received gold at her gymnastics in house competitions this weekend, at Easton Gymnastics Club. She also received a prize for her efforts in making her number for the parade at the competition.
Leila (yr 4) and Luca (yr 1) both entered a gymnastics competition last weekend. Leila got Gold 1st place and Luca got Copper 4th place.



Please remember to continue to send in you **WOW** moments for achievements out of school:
<https://forms.gle/DV4RoVbQGpijcUMV7>

This week's overall attendance – 97.2% Asia Class (yr 1) 100%

END OF YEAR AWARDS (years N to 5)

Class	Significant Progress Across the Curriculum	Showing the Academy's 12 Values
Arc Nursery	Elodie	George
Antarctica (Reception)	Christopher	Martha
Oceania (yr 1)	Kelsey	Caiden
Africa (yr 2)	Paisley	Quinn
Europe (yr 3)	Ben	Sienna
South Africa (yr 4)	Darcey	Millie
Asia (yr 5)	Noah H	Isabelle

END OF YEAR AWARDS (year 6)

Significant Progress Across the Curriculum	Oscar
Showing the Academy's 12 Values	Robin
Attainment Award	Niall
Environment Award	Ada
Governors' Future Leader Award	Olivia
PE Awards	Grace and Taylor

SUMMER SURVEY

If you have not had a chance to yet, please complete our Summer Survey, at your very earliest convenience: <https://forms.gle/3xzpHtzBXACBWtGLA>

SCHOOL HOURS

A quick reminder, that our school will open at 8:40am on Tuesday 5 September. The Government has made it a legal requirement that all schools are open and children are learning for 32.5 hours per week from September. We will therefore ask that your children are in-school by 8:45am from September 5th each day- to ensure all year groups are achieving this expectation. We will still open the gates from 8:40-8:50am each day, but please aim to ensure your children are in-school for lesson's starting and registers by 8:45am. Our school day will continue to end with Nursery to Year 2 coming out at 3:15 and Year 3-6 out for 3:20pm.

South America Class (yr 4)

To end off our America food unit in design and technology, today the children tasted, watched how they were made and made their own apple pies. They discussed ingredients with the chefs at Aspens and talked about several things you needed to do to avoid soggy pastry!



Congratulations and Thanks

We are very proud of our Nursery Teacher, Miss Bell-Tye and Year Four Teacher Miss Crane, who have completed an additional two years Early Career Teacher Course successfully this week! We are so proud of their accomplishments. They are a true asset to our school.

Thank you to all of our parents and carers for your beautiful kind words, cards, lovely and thoughtful gifts. We all wish you a wonderful (hopefully sunny) summer filled with laughter and happiness.



The Ark Nursery Newsletter

This week

What a special week it has been! We have enjoyed celebrating all children's successes, especially our nursery graduates. It was wonderful to have so many parents in our classroom and outdoor area during our graduation celebration. We are all so proud of the children and all they have achieved this year. They are so ready for Reception!



We also wanted to say a huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Lawson who kindly gifted Nursery with a handmade picnic bench. The children were super excited to use it for setting up a picnic, taking their mark making outdoors and sitting around with their friends in our final week before summer!



From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you for all of your continued support over the past year and for the very kind words written in cards and gifts given this week. It has been a pleasure to watch the children grow and develop in confidence and knowledge.

Have a wonderful Summer holiday and rest with your loved ones. We are super excited for September!

DIARY DATES

September

1st and 4th INSET days

21st School Photographer (individual and sibling photos)

5th Children return to School

October

Half term 23rd – 27th October inclusive

November

17th Flu vaccinations year R to 6

December

20th Last day of term

Christmas Holiday 21st December – 3rd January

January 2024

3rd INSET Day

4th Children return to School

February

Half term 19th – 23rd February inclusive

March

18th School Photographer (Class photos)

28th INSET Day School Closed

Easter holiday 29th March – 12th April inclusive

MAY

6th Bank holiday

Half term 27th – 31st May

JULY

18th Last day of term

19th INSET Day School Closed

*New Addition