

The Bythams Weekly Newsletter



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What a glorious week we have had - the children have thoroughly enjoyed being able to spend time on the field at break times and lunch times!

On Thursday, a group of ten children from the Badgers class travelled to Stamford to play in a football tournament. They played incredibly well against some challenging teams but all seemed to enjoy themselves and should be proud of how well they represented the school! My thanks to Mrs Lovesey, Mr Dutton and Mr Goring for transporting and supporting the children during the matches.

The children will have lots of sporting opportunities over the course of the summer terms as we have signed up to work with the charity Inspire+. We will welcome Paralympians to school for assemblies, compete in sporting events with other schools locally, participate in playground leader training as well as receive high quality coaching sessions in PE lessons and after school clubs. We are very much looking forward to their support.

This week, we welcomed a new member of staff to the team. Mrs Sara Benghe has joined us as a Teaching Assistant. She is busy getting to know the children and will take on the ELSA role in the coming terms. Next week is Laura Backs last week as a school administrator and Sam Lamb will join us in the new term. Please do bear with us during this period of transition!

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine, Mrs Martin

Key Dates

Term 4 Monday 21st

Feb—Thurs 31st Mar

Thurs 31st Mar

Last day of term

Wed 20th April

First day of Term 5

Mon 2nd May

Bank Holiday Monday

Mon 9th May

Year 6 SATS week—

all Year 6 must be in

school please

Mon 16th May

Young Voices



This week's award winners are:

Hedgehogs Class

Arabella got the Hand writer of the Week for her beautiful handwriting, she tries so hard with her letter formation and it is so neat.

Jessica got the Award for Excellence for her wonderful retelling of the story Supertato when using our story map we made together.

Squirrels Class

Award of excellence to Lilly for her contribution to class discussion and her science work about healthy eating.

Award of excellence to Enya for using her knowledge of half a shape to find half of a number.

Handwriter of the week is Maya for forming her letters correctly and remembering to leave gaps between her words.

Foxes Class

Magdalena and Samuel have achieved the Award of Excellence award for their efforts and hard work during assessment week this week. Well done to you both!

Badgers Class

Mercedes receives the Award of Excellence for her excellent attitude in school – she is working hard in all lessons and putting in 100% effort.

An Award of Excellence from Mrs Jack to Kieran for being such a fantastic role model to the children in Hedgehogs and displaying many of the schools values when helping them.

Archie H is the Handwriter of the Week for the great improvement in his presentation.



PE for Term 4

Hedgehogs - Thursday

Squirrels - Friday

Foxes- Outdoor learning

Wednesday

Foxes- swimming-

Thursday

Badgers - Friday



We understand that children are sometimes ill but we are celebrating attendance each week. If your child is well enough to be here, please ensure that they are!

This week's attendance:

94.58%

Hedgehogs Class

Our class book this week has been *Supertato*. They made a story map at the start of the week. The children have loved the story, and by the end of the week they can join in at key moments when it is read. They can also retell the story using their own 'Supertatos' which they have made. We have planted some evil peas and chitted our own Supertato plants ready to plant out next week.



Squirrels Class

We had another fantastic gym session at Witham Hall with the great instructors. The whole class really enjoyed using all of the equipment.



This week as part of our science topic we have been thinking about healthy eating. We discussed a balanced diet and made our own healthy sandwiches.

In maths we are continuing our topic on fractions, finding a half of a shape, image or objects. We have been thinking about half of a number, sharing objects equally between two groups and recording our results. We have been researching the life and work of the artist Piet Mondrian and have created our own art work in his style.

Foxes Class

I am going to begin by echoing what Mrs Shepherd has said; a huge well done to Foxes class for their determination, hard work and positive attitudes during assessment week this week. They should be incredibly proud of themselves!

This week, we continued our computing topic of programming and used coding to create a maze game. Children were completely engrossed in the task and loved making their own Sprite and coding it to move around the maze.



During outdoor learning, children began learning about orienteering. They developed an understanding of maps and symbols and worked together to find designated points around the playground.

Badgers Class

This week has been Assessment Week, so I would like to congratulate the class on the hard work and determination shown throughout the tests.



Badgers Class have been continuing to learn about life in Mexico with the children producing some lovely work on the what school is like in this country.

We have also been learning about the fascinating Mexican festival - Day of the Dead. The class wrote their own questions and answers about this holiday and used them to play 'Quiz, Quiz, Trade'. In this game, the children go around the class asking a partner a question, answering a question and then 'trading' (swapping) these questions to ask other children.

