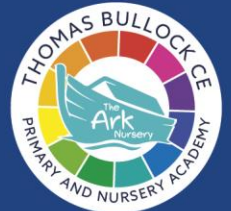




# Thomas Bullock Church of England Primary and Nursery Academy

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

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## NEWSLETTER

15th July 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Thomas Bullock

What an amazing week at Thomas Bullock we have had! It all began with the FOSS Summer Fete on Saturday where a number of children were treated to a day of fun games, activities and performances from local groups. We are so fortunate to have had beautiful, warm weather and to have our wonderful FOSS, who made it all possible! The summer fete raised an amazing **£1451.64** for our school.

On Monday, we held our last Governors meeting of the year, in our brand new Nursery classroom. At this time, we said a fond farewell to Mrs. Blakey who has dedicated her time as a school Governor for a number of years and Vice-Chair for the last year. We will miss her amazing expertise and positivity!

On Thursday, it was wonderful to have our parents and pupils enjoy sports day. Mrs Greenland organised a super day and our children ran and participated fantastically well. Thank you to all who attended, for making our pupils' day so special, thank you to FOSS for organising the refreshment stall and treating our children to an ice-pop. On Thursday evening, we welcomed year 6 parents and children back to school for an evening of song, laughter and a few tears to celebrate our spectacular sixes and their leavers performance! Thank you to all who attended.



We are looking forward to this evening's Year 6 BBQ and FOSS End of Year Disco party! Thank you, Mrs Mason and your wonderful FOSS committee for all you have done to make this week, and so many of our weeks, so very special.

## ***Shining Lights of the Half Term!***

- EYFS** **Charlotte** for being a kind and compassionate member of the team. She is always making sure her friends are happy.  
**Phoenix Wall** for being an excellent friend; giving hugs and care when needed.
- Oceania Class (yr 1)** **Scarlett Benstead** for always showing her friends and other classmates compassion. She supports them when they are feeling sad or helps them when they are hurt.  
**Quinn Atkins** for always showing compassion to his friends and peers. He is always incredibly helpful and never expects anything in return for his good deeds.
- Africa Class (yr 2)** **Rory** for being a fantastic friend this half term showing compassion, in particular supporting and empathising with a member of our class who lost a pet recently. I am very proud of the caring nature you have!  
**Halli K** for always showing kindness towards others and being a supportive friend, she is helpful and caring in class and out on the playground.
- Europe Class (yr 3)** **Ruby and Arthur** for always thinking of others, and showing they care with kindness and thoughtfulness. They always make sure everyone is included and they selflessly offer help when others need it. They truly epitomise the value of compassion.
- S. America Class (yr 4)** **Max** for being a very supportive and encouraging friend. Without fail, he shows kindness to others when they are upset and during lesson time when others confidence may lack.  
**Erin** for her kindness and consideration to others. She always listens attentively with a willing attitude and shows respects to those around her.
- Asia Class (yr 5)** **Reggie and Olivia** for always showing compassion to others and being kind and considerate friends.
- N. America Class (yr 6)** **Maisie** has shown compassion by reassuring anyone in need of support on our residential. Always a compassionate friend to all.  
**Kai** who always regularly supports or encourages others in need.

### ***WOW MOMENTS!***

- Max (year 4)** has been made vice captain of his football team.  
**Archie (year 3)** has achieved his 200 metres at swimming this week.  
**William (year 2)** had his first horse ride off of the lead rein and really enjoyed himself!  
**Kai (yr 6)** took part in a shooting competition this week and cam 9<sup>th</sup> from over 24 adults.

Please remember to continue to send in your **WOW** moments for achievements out of school  
<https://forms.gle/DV4RoVbQQpjcUMV7>

**The week's overall attendance – 95.5%**

## **WEATHER WARNING**

There is an [amber extreme heat warning](#) for Sunday 17 July, Monday 18 July and Tuesday 19 July, as temperatures will build this weekend and early next week for much of England and Wales.

The amber warning highlights likely adverse health effects for the public, not just limited to those most vulnerable to extreme heat. Temperatures could be in excess of 35°C in the southeast, and more widely around 32°C within the [warning area](#), with Monday and Tuesday most likely to see temperatures around this level.

There is clear government guidance in place, which our school will be following, focusing on [looking after children and those in early years settings during heatwaves](#), including the use of ventilation, keeping children hydrated, and avoiding vigorous physical activity, encouraging children to wear loose, light coloured clothing and sunhats with wide brims, to use sunscreen, and providing them with plenty of water, **they do not advise closing schools.**

We are fortunate our school is very cool with plenty of ventilation. We will be putting a range of measures in place to accommodate, as we have done previously in hot weather and this week.

### What can you do?

*Please send children into school with a hat, sunscreen and plenty of water, in their water bottle.*

### **Adaptations to our timetable due to weather:**

#### **Monday:**

Currently, our Race for Life is planned for Monday, as Wednesday is looking to be much cooler, it has been rescheduled for Wednesday morning when temperatures are due to be much lower. Children to come to school in their PE kit.

We will be moving PE to activities to the hall on Monday, so children will not be in direct sunlight.

#### **Tuesday:**

To ensure the leavers service takes place, we will be moving it from the Church to the Hall in school at 2:30pm, so children and guests do not need to walk to the church in the heat.

#### **PE Kits**

Children do not need to be in their PE kits on Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday. Only Nursery, Reception and Year 6 on Monday as PE will be in the school hall and all children are to wear their PE kit on Wednesday, for Race for Life.

## OUR KEY LEARNING QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Year Group	Half Term Key Learning Question
1	Can we plan our trip to the seaside?
2	How can we be energy efficient with electricity?
3	What were the lasting achievements of the ancient Greeks?
4	How does California compare to other states?
5	How did the Islamic Empire come to an end?

### Oceania Class (yr 1)

Year One had an amazing trip to the heritage centre and beach in Wells on Monday. First, we explored the heritage centre to find out how Wells has changed over time. There was lots of interesting information and we found out why there is a sculpture of a horse outside... can you remember? After the heritage centre we went for lunch in the woods followed by some shell collecting, identifying and finally some shell artwork or sculpture.



### MATHS CHALLENGE AT NORTHGATE HIGH SCHOOL

Lexi, Robin, Taylor and Niall from year 5 represented the school at Northgate High for a maths study challenge on Tuesday. We are super proud as they came joint second out of the 6 schools competing!



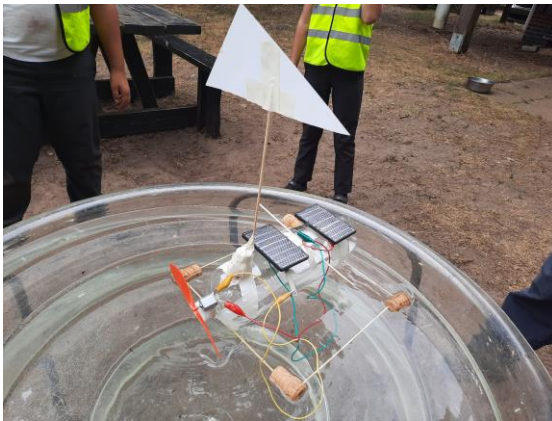
## North America Class (yr 6)

In English, Year 6 learnt about Ernest Shackleton and his incredible expedition on the ship, The Endurance. Their homework task was to create a model of the ship. Here are some of their models. A few were even edible!



## Europe Class (yr 3)

Year 3 went on our exciting school trip this week to Redgrave and Lopham Fen which is a natural nature reserve. We took part in an eco action day where we looked at fossil fuels, water conservation on the Fen, food miles and renewable energy. This has linked with our topics this term such as: Climate Zones and Biomes, Plants and our previous English topic of Recycling and Greenpeace. The children made solar powered boats out of recycled materials and worked out how many miles their food had travelled to get to their plates.



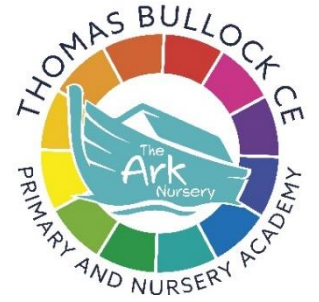
## Road Safety Training for Years 3 and 4

Year 3 had their seatbelt safety talk this week which taught them all about the importance of wearing a seatbelt in a vehicle. They took part in a seatbelt safety quiz and also had the opportunity to ask questions about safety inside a vehicle.

Year 4 had 'Ride on it' where they gained knowledge on the basics of bike safety standards and increased their understanding of their responsibility when cycling on today's roads. The children learnt of the five important safety checks before going on the road – saddle, tyres, brakes, lights and chain.

Both sessions were led by staff from the Norfolk County Road Safety Team.

# The Ark Nursery Newsletter



## This week

We had so much fun at Sports Day on Thursday. Lots of our children ran in a running race and completed a rotation of fun sporty activities!



We've also had lots of fun exploring numbers this week in Maths!

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As we head into our final week, we will have lots of exciting activities and transition preparations to take part in. We will be super sad to say goodbye to our Reception starters, but will enjoy our last days together in our new classroom and outdoor area!

## 2022/2023 TERM DATES

School closure dates in red

School open dates in green

### Autumn Term

Inset Days – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Half term – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

### Spring Term

Inset Day Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

Half term – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

Easter holiday – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April

### Summer Term

Inset Day – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Bank holiday – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May

Half term – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Inset Day – 5<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Friday July 21<sup>st</sup>

## *DIARY DATES*

### **July**

20<sup>th</sup> Race for Life (change of date)

19<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Leavers Service and Awards at School at 2.30pm

20<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Cycling (group 2)

21<sup>st</sup> Move up Day

22<sup>nd</sup> Year R to 5 Awards Assembly and party afternoon

22<sup>nd</sup> July – Last day of term.

### **September**

5<sup>th</sup> School opens for the Autumn Term

**\*New addition to calendar**