



# 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

The week we were joined by the Reverend Laura Purnell who hosted a special remembrance service for the Queen. During the service we gave thanks for the Queen's long life and for all of the ways she loved and served those in her care. The children talked about what she meant to them and reflected on what we can learn from her. The Reverend challenged our children to write down the 5 ways that they could serve others, as the Queen had done. Children have also been writing of their feelings and memories of the Queen and her passing. A poster is attached to this email, but there will be a commemoration service at All Saints Church on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm for the whole community, a service will also be held earlier at St Andrews, Bradenham at 5pm. Please be reminded school is shut on Monday for the Queen's funeral.

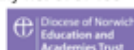
### House Captains

Congratulations to our Captains and Vice-Captains. We had a large number of applicants for the roles of Captain and Vice-Captain. We were all highly impressed with the thought that went into the them and presentation of many. Therefore, in a move to consolidate the Captain and Vice Captaincy into Year 6 roles in the years to come- due to our expanding pupil voice roles across the school, this year we will have a Year 6 Captain and Vice-Captain as well as a Year 5 Vice-Captain. Please be reminded next week we will be announcing Eco-Warriors, Ethos Council, School Council, Digital Leaders and School Librarians.

	Red (Fire)	Green (Earth)	Yellow (Air)	Blue (Water)
Year 6 Captains	Riley	Archie	Lois	Lexi
Year 6 Vice Captains	Alexis	Evie	Olivia	Jack
Year 5 Vice Captains	Dolcie	Caleb	Noah	Logan



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## ***Shining Lights of the Week!***

<b>Oceania Class (yr 1)</b>	<b>Kelsey</b> for showing great courage and bravery, making new friends and settling in so well at Thomas Bullock.
<b>Africa Class (yr 2)</b>	<b>Paisley</b> for being a great role model to others. She has worked extremely hard in class this week!
<b>Europe Class (yr 3)</b>	<b>Halli</b> for showing fantastic learning behaviours. She is always ready to learn, organised and completes her work to a beautiful standard.
<b>S. America Class (yr 4)</b>	<b>Autumn Cross</b> for showing an excellent attitude to learning and being enthusiastic in everything she does. She is a fantastic role model for our class
<b>Asia Class (yr 5)</b>	<b>Isabelle S</b> for settling into our class so well. She is working hard and has made a great start!
<b>N. America Class (yr 6)</b>	<b>Lois</b> has worked very hard, really thinking through her responses to questions.

## ***WOW MOMENTS!***

**Romeo (yr 1)** has learnt to ride his bike with stabilisers.

**Archie (yr 3)** has moved up to Stage 3 in his swimming.

**Rosie (yr 3)** went to a horse show at Hethel with a new pony she is riding called Noodles. She came away with 2nd, 5th and 6th placed rosettes and had a really fabulous day.

**Ada (yr 6)** has received a green Blue Peter badge for her commitment to environmental issues. The Blue Peter team were delighted to hear about her litter picking on her walks home from school and loved the poster she designed!



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

<https://forms.gle/DV4RoVbQGpijcUMV7>

***The week's overall attendance – 98.6%***

***Asia class (yr 5) – 100%***

# OUR KEY LEARNING QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Year Group	Key Learning Question of the Week
1	What is it like in our local area?
2	Who is our current Monarch and who was our previous Monarch?
3	Seas and coasts: what are key physical features of the UK?
4	Who were the tribal Britains and what happened when Claudius invaded?
5	How was Anglo Saxon ruled?
6	What was ancient Egyptian society like?

## E-Safety

Roblox is one of the most popular video games on the market. As a 'sandbox' title. Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom it lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio to build custom levels and games, which can then be shared with other players online. The Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as online daters, in-app purchases and contact with strangers.

More information has been added as an attachment to this emailed newsletter.

## Antarctica Class (yr R)

We are pleased to share a photo of our Reception Class taken this morning for the first time altogether, they also stayed for lunch today. From next week they will all be in school full time.



## Africa Class (yr 2)

We have been learning about place value in maths, experimenting with our tens and ones.

In History this week, we looked at "who was Queen Elizabeth II?".



## North America Class (yr 6)

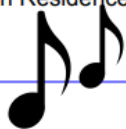
A brilliant day was had at Norwich Castle, the children really enjoyed finding out more about the ancient Egyptians, handling real ancient Egyptian artefacts, learning about the process of mummification and seeing a real ancient Egyptian mummy and making a replica of an ancient Egyptian collar. They also had to think about their opinion of whether tombs of ancient Egyptians should be opened and the artefacts inside removed. We will be following this up in our lessons and will be debating this question.



## SCHOOL CLUBS

School clubs will start w/c 26<sup>th</sup> September and will run the whole of the Autumn term up until w/c 9<sup>th</sup> December. Below are the clubs which will take place and a google form will be emailed out next Tuesday with more information and to enable you to register interest for your child.

KS2 Choir with Mrs Drake  
our Musician in Residence  
Teacher



KS2 Coding with Miss  
Newcombe



Gardening Club with Mrs  
Taylor and Miss Bell-Tye

Art with Miss Crane

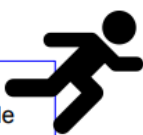


Complimentary School clubs and  
Enrichment Autumn 2022-23

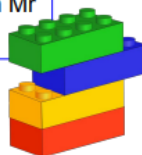
Purple Mash with Mrs  
Cross



Running Club with Mrs  
O'Sullivan and Mr Wade



Lego with Mr  
Johnson



KS1 Yoga with Miss King



# NOTICES

## SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The School Photographer will be visiting next week on 22<sup>nd</sup> September to take individual pupil photographs, if they have a sibling in school they will also be photographed together.

Years 4 and 5 will be having PE, please can they come to school dressed in full uniform and bring their PE kits to change into on this occasion.

## JEANS FOR GENES

Wear Jeans for Genes Day!

Come to school in jeans on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September and donate £1 to make a difference for children affected by genetic conditions.

## OPEN AFTERNOON

We would like to welcome all prospective parents of **Pre School and Nursery children** due to start school September 2023 or thereafter to our open afternoon on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October  
1.00pm – 3.00pm

There will be a short presentation by the Headteacher, Mrs O'Sullivan and Mrs Marjoram the Reception Class Teacher, a tour of the School, a visit to the Early Years Classrooms and the opportunity to meet the other parents.

Refreshments provided

Telephone 01362 820300 if you require further information.

## NEWS FROM FOSS

The Friends of Shipdham School will be holding their AGM on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm – 8.30pm at The Golden Dog in Shipdham. Please come along and support our amazing team who do so much to support our school. More information is on the flyer attached to this emailed newsletter.

They will also be holding a sale of second-hand school uniform on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September from 3pm.

# The Ark Nursery Newsletter



## This week

We have continued to settle into our school, classroom and outdoor areas. In Literacy, we've read and re-read 'The Colour Monster' many times, matching feelings to colours. We've talked about times when we might feel happy, sad or angry and looked at ourselves in the mirror pulling faces to match feelings. We've sang lots of number rhymes, with our rhyme of the week being '1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Once I Caught a Fish Alive' and used our fingers to count to 5. We have also focused on the primary colours: red, yellow and blue.



## Next week

Our learning will continue to centre around the story of 'The Colour Monster' for one final week where we will use colours in our mark making and make our own colour monsters. We will then talk about and list what we think monsters might eat, before reading 'Monsters Don't Eat Broccoli'. In Maths, we will look at the colours green and purple and explore colour mixing to make new colours.

## Learning links at home

- Make a colourful collage. You could use bits of old fabric, paper, cardboard or even natural materials, like petals and leaves, to make a lovely picture.
- Fruit and vegetables come in lots of different colours. Can you think of a fruit or vegetable for each colour of the rainbow?
- Talk to the people at home and find out everyone's favourite colour.

Tapestry should now be up and running – please let Miss Bell-Tye know (at the gate or via emailing the office if you have any issues). As per the email request, please upload / email a family photo to display in our role play home corner and to help with our discussions during our 'All About Me' theme this term!



# DIARY DATES

## September 2022

- 19<sup>th</sup> School Closed for Queen's funeral
- 22<sup>nd</sup> School Photographer
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Phonics Workshop for parents Reception and Year 1 - 2.45pm-3.15pm and 5pm to 5.30pm
- 28<sup>th</sup> Yr 2 Trip to Sandringham\*

## October

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Yr 5 trip to West Stow
- 12<sup>th</sup> Open afternoon 1pm-3pm for children starting school September 2023
- 12<sup>th</sup> FOSS AGM at The Golden Dog 7.30pm\*
- 13<sup>th</sup> Book Looks in School Hall 3pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> SENCo Meetings
- 17<sup>th</sup> School Nursing Team Height & Weight Yr 6
- 19<sup>th</sup> Flu Immunisation – all classes
- 19<sup>th</sup> Parents evening (in school)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Parents evening (online)

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

## November

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Yr 6 trip to Gressenhall
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Yr 3 trip to Time and Tide Museum\*
- 30<sup>th</sup> Y4 4 trip to Time and Tide Museum\*

## December

- 13<sup>th</sup> Yr 1 Trip to Holkham Hall Christmas Event
- 16<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

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

## January

- 3<sup>rd</sup> INSET Day
- 4<sup>th</sup> School reopens

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

## March

- 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Year 5 one night residential to The Horstead Centre
- 20<sup>th</sup> School Photographer – whole class photos
- 31<sup>st</sup> Last day of term

## April

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

- 17<sup>th</sup> INSET Day
- 18<sup>th</sup> School reopens

## May

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bank Holiday
- 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Year 6 SATS week
- 15<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> – Year 2 SATS week

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

- 5<sup>th</sup> INSET Day
- 6<sup>th</sup> School reopens

## July

- 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Year 6 residential to Eaton Vale
- 21<sup>st</sup> Last day of term

\* New addition

