

NEWSLETTER



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BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Pupils of the Week 21/04/17

Class 6 Daniel N - for excellent questioning and explanations about ratio.

Class 5 Saad A - for fantastic work in maths.

Class 4 Thomas D - for excellent mathematical understanding.

Class 3 Euan C - for a super Moon Man drawing.

Class 2 Charlie C - for a really positive attitude to all his learning this week.

Class 1 Samuel D - for great work on his numbers to 100.

Class R Miller D - for writing a super sentence about Nat Fantastic.



Boughton Pride

This week's winners were Class 4.
Well done!



Term-time holidays

We would like to remind parents of the school's position regarding holidays during term-time. Children have 13 weeks annual holiday from school and our school holiday dates are published well in advance online. As such, all parents/carers are expected wherever possible to plan and take their family holidays at this time so as not to disrupt their children's education. Education law states that parents **do not** have a right to take their child out of school for a holiday during term time. Only in exceptional circumstances may a headteacher grant permission for leave; and it is the headteacher's decision on whether the absence is exceptional and how many days to approve.

At our school, we are recording an increasing number of unauthorised absences, as parents continue to book holidays during term-time. We are very lucky to have such a dedicated and skilled teaching team, but it is frustrating that we are unable to provide the best educational experiences for all children in our care, if parents choose to book holidays in term-time.



Sayers Shield

Children can bring their projects straight in to the Clarke hall before the start of school on Monday. There will be a space in the hall for each class's work. We can't wait to see all the wonderful learning the children have been doing!

Parents are welcome to come and look at all the children's work after school on Thursday, when Mr Sayers will be here. Projects can be taken home from Thursday onwards.

If your child was awarded with a Sayers Shield trophy last year, please can you return it to the school office ASAP. Thank you.

Uniform

As we move into the summer months, girls are now permitted to wear blue and white checked summer dresses, with knee-length socks and black school shoes. All of the requirements for school uniform and P.E. kit can be found on the school website.

Spring Singalong

Please remember to bring in car booster seats for Class 1 and 2 children on Monday, 24th April. Thank you.

Goodbye!

Mrs Kathryn Lacey has now left her post as Class 3 teacher at Boughton Monchelsea Primary for personal reasons. Mrs Lacey has worked at our school since September 2014 and has taught children in Year 5 and Year 3. The children she has worked with have appreciated her kindness and care whilst they have been in her class. We all wish Mrs Lacey well for the future.

We are also saying goodbye to Mrs Lisa Rowland, who has worked with us as Admin Assistant since May 2016. Over the past year, Mrs Rowland has been an extremely valued member of the office team, where she has worked with dedication and efficiency. We wish her well for the future.

Year 5 Meeting

There will be a meeting for parents of children in Class 5 at 6pm on Wednesday 24th May to discuss the secondary school application process and next year's Year 6 residential trip.

Easter Egg Boxes

Class 3 and 4 will be making castles this term and we would love any empty Easter egg boxes. Please hand them into the class teachers. Thank you.

Year 7 Home to School Transport

Parents of children in Year 6 may wish to read the following guidance to see if they are eligible for free transport to their secondary school from September. www.kent.gov.uk/schooltransport



Netball

On Thursday 20th April some netballers played in the match against Greenfields Primary School and we won 24-4. Ryley was a good team captain. The team were very challenging. You could tell that they wanted to win. It was very tough and we all stumbled a bit but got back up again. We may have disagreed with some of the referee's decisions but we didn't argue and we carried on the match. Ellie C and Lavinia scored some amazing goals which gave us the win. Well done to everyone who played in the netball match; you all did amazing and thank you Abi and Natasha for coaching us so we could achieve this match. *By Livvy and Ryley.*

Summer Rock School

Andrew Parry's Rock School is a summer music course for children interested in playing in a band and becoming rock stars of the future! Any instrumentalists are welcome, as well as beginners. It ends with a concert which will be recorded onto CD. It is taking place the week of Monday 24th July at Cornwallis Academy. Please see www.andrewparrymusic.com for more information!

Cake Boxes

We have a few unclaimed cake boxes in the office from last term's cake sale. Please collect if they belong to you.

Dates for the Diary

24th April 2017	-	Sayers Shield entry deadline
27th April 2017	-	Sayers Shield display, Clarke Hall after school
12th May 2017	-	PTA Quiz Night, 7pm for prompt 7.30pm start
24th May 2017	-	Year 5 Meeting for Parents, 6pm
26th May 2017	-	End of Term 5
5th June 2017	-	Staff Development Day (school closed)
6th June 2017	-	Start of Term 6
17th June 2017	-	Boughton-Fest
21st July 2017	-	End of Term 6
4th September 2017	-	Start of Term 1
20th October 2017	-	End of Term 1
30th October 2017	-	Start of Term 2
15th December 2017	-	End of Term 2
18th-20th December 2017	-	Staff Development Days (school closed)
4th January 2018	-	Start of Term 3
9th February 2018	-	End of Term 3
19th February 2018	-	Staff Development Day (school closed)
20th February 2018	-	Start of Term 4
29th March 2018	-	End of Term 4
16th April 2018	-	Start of Term 5
25th May 2018	-	End of Term 5
4th June 2018	-	Staff Development Day (school closed)

Online Safety Agreement

Can we remind you to discuss the Online Safety Agreement with your child and return the signed booklet to school as soon as possible. If your child has mislaid the letter and booklet, the school office will be happy to supply a replacement. Thank you.

NSPCC

The total raised from the end of last term's NSPCC board game fundraising was £73.21.



Tennis Club

Following the very popular tennis workshop we held last year, Hot Shotz tennis will be here on Fridays from 28th April to run a tennis club for our Junior classes. The school are funding the sessions so there will be no charge to pupils. An email has gone out to the children in Classes 3-6 and the first 20 to return their slips will have a place for this term.

Mrs Susan Kemp

It is with regret that we inform you of the sad news of the death this week of Mrs Susan Kemp. Many of you will remember her, as both a past parent and a midday supervisor. Our thoughts are with her family at this difficult time.



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