

NEWSLETTER



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BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Pupils of the Week 19/05/17

- Class 6 George N, Taylan S & Ashton E - for being so kind and helpful all week.
- Class 5 All of Class 5 - for hard work all week.
- Class 4 Henry R - for consistent hard work.
- Class 3 Phoebe L - for great partner work in class.
- Class 2 William N - for really trying his best in all his work.
- Class 1 Yvie-Mae E - for a super story about 'Claude' at the circus.
- Class R Sebastian M - for demonstrating good participation during group activities.



Outdoor Classroom Day

On Thursday 18th May we held an Outdoor Classroom Day, where many of our lessons were held in the school grounds, rather than in classrooms. The children took part in practical lessons that covered all aspects of the curriculum and enjoyed swapping their desks for a more natural setting. We are hoping to make more use of our beautiful grounds as the summer approaches.

Please see attached to the email a poem from Keeleigh T (Class 4) from the day.



Year 5 Meeting

Reminder that 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.

Morning Arrangements

We are delighted that the start to our school day is now much calmer, with the children walking into school by themselves between 8.40am and 8.50am. This is helping even our youngest pupils to become more independent as they have a clear boundary between home and school. This system also allows the teachers to prepare their classrooms for the day and to welcome the children individually as they come in. We have noticed, however, that recently some parents are still making their way into the classroom to look for items in the cloakroom or to talk to class teachers. Can we request that if there is an exceptional reason to go into school with your child, that you check this with the member of staff on the playground? There is always at least one senior member of staff on duty before school who can pass messages on to class teachers and longer appointments with class teachers can be arranged through the school office. Thank you for your co-operation.

PTA News

Thanks to everyone who supported the quiz last week. Everyone had a brilliant time and we raised nearly £400.

The next PTA event is a non-uniform day on the last day of term, Friday 26th May (£1 donation). Children will still need to wear their PE kit in the afternoon for the mini marathon.

Mini Marathon

Our very popular annual Mini Marathon will take place in the school grounds on Friday 26th May. Spectators are welcome from 2pm and please watch out for a volunteer helpers sheet on the school noticeboard.



Boughton Pride

This week's winners were Class 6. Well done!

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BoughtonFest

Reminder of our live music family festival **Saturday June 17th from 2pm-10pm**. Tickets are selling fast! Please note that this is in place of our summer fair and is our main fund raiser this year. We want to provide interactive white boards in each classroom, so please support this excellent event and have lots of fun in the process!

* *Live music from rock, indie, folk and jazz bands*

* *Free entertainment and activities for the children including ballroom dancing from GDC, archery from Premier Sports, tennis from HotShotz and Father's Day card making from the YMCA*

* *Excellent range of stalls and delicious food stands including wood fired pizzas*

* *Well stocked bar serving Turners cider and Rockin Robin beer*

* *Opportunity to win Premiership match football tickets!*

Tickets available from the village Post Office, through the school office or by emailing boughtonfest@gmail.com. Tickets also on sale in the playground WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY at the mini marathon. Ticket prices are £10 per adult, £5 per child, under 5's free, £25 for a family ticket.

Donations are still needed for the raffle - if any companies or organisations that you work for wish to donate a prize, please let us know asap!

Volunteers are still needed for clear up and to provide some assistance on the day - if you are interested please email boughtonfest@gmail.com. or speak to Clare Smith or Naoimh Edmans (Class 1).



Netball

The Year 5 Netball team participated in the Maidstone Small Schools tournament on May 18th at Aylesford. Despite the terrible weather conditions the team not only represented their school with great pride they also came an impressive 3rd in the overall competition.

Their first game saw a 1-1 draw against Coxheath, followed by a 2-0 loss against St Johns. After a short break, the girls won 3-0 against Yalding then their 4th game saw a 6-0 defeat against Shernolds. However, the last 2 matches saw the girls win 2-1 against Hutton and they then ended the tournament on a high with a 6-0 win against Holy Family. Well done girls you should be super proud. *By Abi Cheeseman.*

Homework Books

It has been excellent to see how you are all getting on with the homework books in Year 1-6. Reminder that they are due in on Wednesday 24th May. Thank you.

Vacancies

We are looking for Breakfast and After School Club staff for our new wraparound care provision from September 2017.

Breakfast Club/After School Supervisor, initially £7.83 per hour. **Breakfast Club/After School Club Assistant**, initially £7.40 per hour. Application forms are available from the school office on request.

We have a vacancy in our kitchen for a **Kitchen Assistant**. 16 hours per week at £7.50 per hour. Term time only. No previous experience needed as full training will be given. If you are interested please contact Heidi Jones on 07341 869468 or hjones@caterlinkltd.co.uk.

Class 6 Residential visit

On Sunday 14th May Class 6 took a coach to Norfolk for our residential trip to Hilltop Outdoor Centre. We arrived in beautiful sunshine and were greeted by the friendly staff, including our course leader Charlie, who was lots of fun and made us feel very welcome.

Throughout the week we did lots of different activities including archery, zip wires, a vertical challenge, trapeze and high ropes. Many people's favourite activity was the air jump, where you jump on to a giant air bag from up to ten metres off the ground! The feeling when you fell through the air was amazing!

It took a lot of courage for some people to give the more challenging activities a go, but everyone pushed themselves that extra little bit. The instructors didn't make us do anything we didn't want to but encouraged us to try.

In the evenings we had dinner and different activities, and we could also use the games room to play table football, ping pong and pool. We even got to go in the swimming pool - it was so exciting!

We learned a lot of things at Hilltop, like belaying and how the Norfolk coast is eroded by the sea, but what we learned most about was ourselves and each other. We really did get to know everyone in a new way.

All of us were sad on the journey home but we brought lots of good memories back with us. The whole class really appreciated how much hard work went in to making this such a great trip. Thank you to Mr Stevens, Mrs King and Mrs Bennett for coming with us, and we hope we didn't make you too tired! *By Class 6.*



Lost Property

We have accumulated lots of lost property. Please feel free to come into the school office to check for any of your child's items. Any items unclaimed at the end of term will be disposed of.