

NEWSLETTER



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BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Pupils of the Week 08/09/17

Class 6 Leo N-B—for being a hard-working and friendly new member of Class 6.

Class 5 Kayla A—for working hard and participating well in class discussions.

Class 4 Dexter G—for trying hard and starting Year 4 so well.

Class 3 Whole class—for a fabulous start to KS2.

Class 2 Owen C—for being a great Year 2 role model.

Class 1 Dollymay C—for being a fantastic role model for the class.

Class R Not awarded this week.



Eco Club



We are very excited to be launching Eco Club, for children who are interested in environmental issues such as saving energy, reducing waste and protecting wildlife. We will be looking at what we can do to make our school greener and will be learning about why it is important to live more sustainably. Children from Year 1 to Year 6 are invited to come along to Eco Club, which will be held in the Community Room at 12.30pm on Monday lunchtimes. Children in Key Stage 2 who wish to come will be allowed to have their lunch earlier.

Help Wanted



We have some garden boxes around the school, and with a bit of care and attention they could look really lovely. If any parents would be interested in helping to tidy them up and put in some planting we would love to hear from you. Please contact the office.

Uniform Reminder

Thank you to the majority of parents and pupils who are respecting our uniform requirements; our children are looking much smarter as a result. We have tried to make our expectations for uniform as clear as possible with the following diagram <http://www.boughton-monchelsea.kent.sch.uk/media/1097/uniform.png> but we are still seeing some children coming to school with interesting variations on the basic school uniform. We believe in the Infants it is the parent's responsibility to make sure their child is dressed appropriately but as children move into Key Stage 2 and are able to take increasing responsibility for their own appearance, they will be challenged if they are seen to be deliberately flouting the uniform expectations.

Can we draw your attention to the following points;

Plain, mid-blue, brown or black hair ties. All hair fasteners should be plain (no bows) and neutral colours or the school blue.

Knee-length white or grey socks with skirts. No frills, lace or bows – just plain socks please.

Grey or black socks with trousers.

Black school shoes. These should be sturdy and plain.

School sweatshirt or cardigan. No plain royal blue sweatshirts or cardigans. We have an ample supply of donated uniform, if cost is a barrier.

No jewellery except for small studs for pierced ears and plain watches in KS2

Our school uniform helps to strengthen our identity as a school community and removes social barriers between children; there are also safety and practical reasons for our uniform expectations. Once children and parents start to bend the rules then the value of wearing a uniform is weakened and the general pride in appearance diminishes. Please help us by reading the uniform expectations carefully and respecting them. Thank you.

PTA

Please join the PTA on Thursday 21st September at the Village Hall Committee Room from 7:30pm onwards.

Any new parents interested in joining the pta or just to find out what we do, please do come along.

There will be wine !

Sent Home This Week



The following communications were sent home with the children this week:

- Data Collection Sheets—please amend, sign and return by 22/09/17

Year 6 Science Visit

On Wednesday a scientist named Charlotte Maughan-Jones came in to talk about light and how it behaves and how to use light to see how a baby's brain is working and how much oxygen it is producing. She showed us demonstrations such as how light changed when passing through jelly. She also pointed a laser at the wall and asked Danny and Hannah to spray water over it and we saw the light in a straight line in mid air. It was amazing! It was one of the most exciting visits of all time and the whole class enjoyed it. Thank you Charlotte.

By Mack L



Boughton Pride

The Boughton Pride award for week 1 was awarded to Class 3 for showing pride in their work and behaviour at the start of term. Well done!



Cranbrook School

Cranbrook School are holding Open Events for prospective Year 7 parents and students on Wednesday 20 September at 5pm and Friday 22 September at 8.45am

Parents need to register their attendance via Eventbrite and a link is available on their website www.cranbrookschool.co.uk/admissions/open-days

Premier Sports - Gymnastics

There are still spaces available at Premier Sports KS1 gymnastics club, which takes place after school on Mondays. The cost of these sessions is picked up by the school. If your child is interested in joining, contact Premier Sports on 01580 212401 to register.

Kent Cooks Competition — £500 Prize Money!

Budding cooks are invited to get involved in this year's KM Kent Cooks competition, which inspires young people to cook and learn about healthy nutrition. There are £500 in prizes available to winning pupils and some fantastic experience prizes.

For information of how to enter, and on terms and conditions, please visit www.kentcooks.co.uk.

The closing date is **7th November** with the final on **30th November 2017**.

Dates for the Diary

- 15th September—1.30pm Meet the Teacher Session CR
- 21st September—7.30pm PTA Meeting, Committee Rm, Village Hall
- 2nd October—2.00pm Harvest Festival Service at St.Peter's
- 18th October—6.00pm Phonics & Reading meeting for parents
- 20th October—NSPCC Charity Day
- 20th October—End of Term Disco
- 5th November—PTA Fireworks
- 7th November—1.30-3.00pm 2018 YR Open Day. (Tours at 1.30 & 2.15. HT Talk at 2.00)
- 9th November—6.00pm Parents Maths Workshop
- 28th November—1.30-3.00pm 2018 YR Open Day—see above
- 2nd December—2.00-4.00pm PTA Christmas Fair
- 11th December—2.00pm Christingle Service at St. Peter's



The Gambia



Please remember that any school uniform which your child has outgrown or no longer requires can be left at the office where we will store it until the next collection. The children at The Yalding School in The Gambia will be most grateful to receive your donations.

Christmas Pantomimes 2017

Congratulations to Maisie in class 2 who has been selected to be part of the dance troupe for "Cinderella" at the Hazlitt Theatre in Maidstone in December and to Henry in Class 5 and his brother Dexter, a former pupil, who will be in "Peter Pan" at Maidstone TV Studios. Good luck!



Boughton Monchelsea Baby and Toddler Group

We are pleased to announce that this group will re-start at St Peter's Church from 2nd October. It will run on every Monday during term time from 10am to 11.30. Each session will only cost £2 per family and this will include snacks (cake and tea/coffee for adults and fruit/biscuits and water/squash for children). There will be various toys for the children to play with as well as a baby room and the sessions will end with a story and some songs. There is no need to pre-book: simply turn up. Find us on Facebook: @boughtonmonchelseatoddlergroup

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