

BOPS

A message from Mr Walker.....

Hello Everyone

I hope you've enjoyed the half term and the activities and experiences the children have had – please read all about them in this newsletter!

As we move into the final half term of the year, our attention has already turned towards the next academic year and successfully transitioning our children into their new classes and new phases of education. I am looking forward to introducing you and your children to the new staff members we have already successfully recruited for next year. Look out for that very early in the next term. Please also make note of important dates for the final half term (on the back of this newsletter) and particularly dates such and new class days.

I hope you all have a great break

Mr Walker

TIMES

26th May 2017

Attendance Winners

Edition 5

The class with the highest attendance last week is:

Class: 3



The class with the best punctuality this week is:

Class: 10

Well done!

Value Point Totals (Half Term)



Abdy - 1857

Brinsley - 1910

Blackshale - 1715

Hazel - 2024

Important Information

There will be a change to the advertised lunch menu on Monday 5th June, the menu will be:

Pizza

Croquet Potatoes

Mixed Veg

Jacket Potato

Cheese or Beans

Selection of Sandwiches

Chocolate Mousse topped with Mandarins

Yoghurts

Fruit

Have a Fantastic Half Term Holiday

BOPS AWARDS

Classroom Monitors

Robyn H and Alfie G

Evie C and Harry W

Jacob H and William O

Leah R and William B

Kye R and Kaci B

Ellie T and Jack A

Grace D and Robyn D

Casey-Leigh P and Lacey H

Leah G and Leelah K-S

Danielle G

BOPS Award Winners

Frankie M

Owain D

Lily-May C

Ben H

Kyra W

Kyra P

Elliott S

Charlie M

William H

Tamzin C

Reading Royalty

Lily Briggs

Chloe Wright

Maths Wizards

Eeffie Neale

Alija Cernikova

Hose Point Winners

Abdy - Alexandra C

Blackshale - Kye R

Brinsley - Kelsey-Jane G

Hazel - Ellie B

BOPS NEWS

Easter Egg-travaganza 2017

Easter seems like a distant memory now but.....BOPS definitely celebrated Easter in style on Friday 31st March when the annual Easter Egg-travaganza took place. Children and parents enjoyed a jam packed afternoon of Easter Egg hunting, Easter fun and activities.



We would like to say a huge thank you to all parents/carers for your support towards the event as we raised over £900 for our school fund, wow!!!

Family Big Breakfast

Our last Family Big Breakfast for this academic year took place on Friday 21st April.

It was fabulous to see so many families joining us again as we

find the Family Big Breakfast a great way to get the school community together.



We had 203 people attend our Big Family Breakfast. If you didn't get a place this time around but you did hand in your letter, you will be guaranteed a place at the

next breakfast in September.



We were yet again overwhelmed by the feedback received from many of our parents.

The next Family Big Breakfast will take place on Friday 15th September.

Garden Blitz 2017

Thanks and well done to the nearly 100 children who came to this term's after school gardening blitz clubs.

Over 4 evenings the groups planted on the allotment and in the poly tunnel as well as making



hanging baskets for the quad and tidying up all the schools gardens. We have also tidied up the Eco garden and , by the use of various home made bird



feeders, created a bird cafe in the hope of attracting lots of different birds. Well done to Liam for coming up

with the great name for the cafe of ' Starbeaks'!

Termly Learning Celebrations

Our termly learning celebrations took place at the beginning of this half term. Thank you to everyone who took the time to attend their child's TLC.

If for any reason you were unable to attend your child's TLC, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher to arrange another meeting at a time that suits.

Parent Ambassador Meeting

Thank you to the parents who attended the Parent Ambassador meeting which took place on Wednesday 3rd May.

The main topic of discussion was future developments in the school and the school's plans for transition this year. It was great to have parents input.

Lower School Visit Cadbury World

As part of their 'Scrumdiddlyumptious' topic, lower school visited Cadbury World. It was an absolutely fantastic trip. Here's a snippet of their day.....

I loved learning all about how chocolate was made. The best bit for me was definitely when we got to taste the chocolate. **Lily-May C**

The trip to Cadbury world was absolutely amazing! I really liked going on the car ride. It was one of the best school trip ever. **Keano H**

Learning about how chocolate was discovered was brilliant....and getting to take home 4 chocolate bars.....wow! **Rosie O**

Spending time in the interactive purple planet area with my friends was really fun. **Anthony H**

I thought the 4D chocolate cinema show was super. I enjoyed every part of the trip. Thank you to all the adults for taking us. Its been the best topic ever.

Morgan G

Skype Calls to Liberia

The link between Blidworth Oaks and the LREC in Liberia was further strengthened this week in 2 separate Skype calls. Firstly class 1 and 2 said hello to their counterparts in Liberia. Then a group of children from upper school who have been exchanging letters with Liberian children got to see their pen friends and talk to them helping both sets of children understand a little more about each other. Phil will be

returning to Liberia in October and over the next few months he will be raising funds to buy books for the poorest children at the LREC as well as helping to fund the sinking of a new well to provide fresh drinking water.



Class News

We have had an exciting half term at BOPS. There has been lots of fantastic learning and activities taking place. We have asked each class what has been their highlight.

Foundation Stage

We have had another super half term in Foundation and certainly a much warmer one! It is so great to see the children enjoying the outdoor area at the moment, it really come alive in the sunshine and all the plants we have are now attracting some beautiful butterflies.

We all really enjoyed our superheroes topic, remembered mostly for the visit from the Blidworth Firemen complete with a fire engine. The firemen really took their time to show the children all the parts of the fire engine and then they even had chance to sit inside. A magic moment for us was one child who first saw the engine and said 'my dreams have come true!' We finished the topic with a visit from our local community police officer and again, the children got chance to experience the inside of a police car and ask lots of questions.

Another highlight this term was a visit to Foundation from our own Mr Phil during our 'Can explore it?' topic. Phil talked about his adventures in Liberia and we even got chance to Skype the school. Phil visited and talk to the children. This multicultural link was an amazing experience of the children and we plan further links in the future.



A fantastic Visit from the firemen at Blidworth Fire Station

Women's FA Cup Final Trip

Saturday the 13th of May saw the girls football team head to Wembley to watch the Women's FA Cup Final. The trip was made possible with the support of Notts County Ladies FC who helped the girls raise £150 with a raffle at the Easter fair. With a little time to spare on the day the girls even had the added bonus of visiting the Wembley designer shopping outlet before seeing Manchester City defeat Birmingham 4-1.



BMX Trip

A group of children visited the National Cycle centre in Manchester on Sunday 21st May. They had such a wonderful time. Behaviour from all children on the trip was outstanding! The group were able to have a go at riding the whole course; which is one of only 2 in Europe and was built for the Manchester Commonwealth games and is also where the British Olympic team practice.

The cycle coaches were amazed at the skill of the children and the session flew by.



Governor News Finance and Personnel Committee

On Tuesday the 14th March 2017, there was a meeting of the Finance and Personnel Committee of our Governing Body, chaired by Mrs Anna Winfield. Through questioning and challenging the Committee:

- Scrutinised and approved the budget for the 2017-2018 financial year
- Looked at proposed staffing structure for the 2017-2018 academic year
- Discussed the possible future building works in the school

Class 1 and 2

Class 1 and 2 has a fantastic Stunning Start to our new topic 'Can we explore it?' We were able to Skype the school in Liberia that Phil visited earlier in the school year . The children asked some brilliant questions and we were able to find out a lot about

their school day and what they like to do. The children even



sung us their Liberian National Anthem. It was wonderful! We are excited to learn our National Anthem so that we can call the school in Liberia again to share it with them!

Class 3

We have had such a fantastic half term in class 3 we have found it really hard to choose our favourite part. We visited Cadbury World, created clay models or fruit and have even made our own yummy muffins. Well done class 3 for a Scrumdiddly super half term!



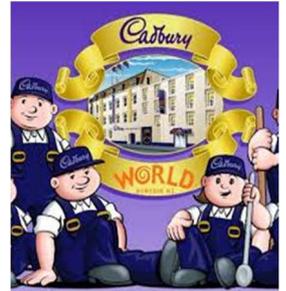
Class 4

I think the highlight of this half term was the trip to Cadburys World. The children were so excited and loved visiting the factory. They did some great pieces of writing afterwards, recounting what they did and their favourite parts of the day. The chocolate tasting was a hit, as was the 4D cinema that made them feel like they were on a rollercoaster. One child said 'I wish we could come here everyday!'

Class 5

Our topic this half term has been Scrumdiddlyumptious. We have loved it! Here are some of our favourite parts from class 5.

Cadbury World was amazing! We even got to take home four bars of chocolate each... for free!



Lucia D

When we went to Cadbury's world we got to see how they make chocolate. It was really interesting.

Kelsey-Jane G

Class 6

This term Class 6 have enjoyed our Scrumdiddlyumptious topic! Obviously the best bit was our super trip to Cadbury World! We got to learn about where chocolate comes from, how it is made and even sampled some tasty treats. There have been lots of other things we have enjoyed too though. We created a vegetable orchestra as part of our stunning start, created our own fantastical fruits out of clay, written stories about gingerbread men and houses made of sweets and even made our own bread! It has been an exciting half term and we are very much looking forward to the next one!



Class 7

Class 7 have worked extremely hard this half term on their Misty Mountains topic. They had a fantastic time climbing Mam Tor and experiencing Treak Cliff Cavern.

Class 8

This half term we have been exploring mountains! We have explored them all over the globe and even designed and crafted our own volcanoes which we made erupt!

Our trip to Mam Tor was a fabulous experience and was definitely class 8's favourite moment from this term .

Class 9

Our topic this half-term was 'Misty Mountains'. We learnt about different mountains around the world and how they were formed. Here's some of the things we've been doing.

I liked climbing Mam Tor because I got to be the leader. **Reece D**

I enjoyed making our model volcanoes. **Naomi W**

I enjoyed the experience of climbing MamTor. **Alisha S**



I enjoyed researching and writing the explanation text. **Violet H**

I enjoyed Mam Tor because I didn't think we were going to make it but we did. I also enjoyed working in a group this half-term with people who helped me. **Kian S**

I liked finding out about how the different mountains were formed. **Darcie S**

I enjoyed climbing Mam Tor and writing my own explanation text. **Rian R**

I enjoyed going to Treak Cliff Cavern and learning about the different rocks. **Leelah K-S**

I enjoyed when I climbed up Mam Tor and saw the view. I liked going in Treak Cliff Cavern and seeing some of the fossils from when the dinosaurs were alive. **Autumn W**

I loved going in the cavern and learning all about Blue John. **Holly B**

Class 10

Class 10's favourite parts of this half term:

The best part of the topic for me was the art because it inspired me to be an artist. My favourite project was the water colour and the volcano. With the water colour you could get really creative so I did a shaded mountain and a galaxy background, I made it stand out from everybody's by splattering stars and also giving it a 3D affect by putting grass behind the mountain. **Emilee H**

My Favourite part of this term was climbing Mam Tor. I really enjoyed this trip because I really enjoy walking. Also, the views were stunning. I took like one hour to climb up and we took a short route down so 30 minutes. This trip is the most exciting because this was the first time I ever climbed a mountain. I would like to do this again. **Kash B**



My favourite part of this half term was SATs party on Thursday 11th May. We were allowed to get changed straight after we had finished our last test. We had pizza and it was delicious. I also loved the SATS breakfast, I had a waffle every morning. **Ellie-Beth C**

My favourite part of the topic was making our own volcanoes because we used papier and I haven't used it in a long time. I also got to work with all my friends. **Hannah O**



It was really exhausting climbing Mam Tor but the view was amazing at the top. Mam Tor looked like a big hill at the bottom but it was really not. The cavern was the best because it has a wall which looked like cheese. It was definitely the best trip ever and I would love to go again in the future. **Bobby R**

BOPS Sports

Tennis Festivals

This term saw Blidworth Oaks enter our first ever tennis Festivals. Year 3 and 4 entered their festival in April and the whole of year 1 took part in the festival at Caunton tennis club near Newark in early May. All the children who took part received letters offering them professional Tennis coaching and all the children enjoyed having a go at another new sport. Not to be outdone children from upper school have been taking part in a racquets club this term.



Year 3 and 4 Sports Hall Athletics

The year 3 and 4 sports hall athletics were given a wild card entry to the district finals in Newark earlier in the term. This wild card came as a result of the teams superb sporting behaviour in the qualifying round of the event. Some great individual performances and more sporting behaviour saw the team finish 6th in the entire district! Well done to all who took part.



Girls Football

Our girls football team were in action at the start of the term playing Annesley in the second round of the area Knock Out cup. Ellie scored our goal as the game finished 1-1 and went into extra time. Annesley scored the only goal in extra time so won 2-1. A great performance from our team with Ruby being named player of the match.

Year 5 Football Tournament

Our year 4/5 football team took part in a football tournament at the Rolls Royce Ground at Hucknall on Thursday 18th May 2017. The children played with determination and resilience in each match. Unfortunately we were defeated in all our matches, but we will return to the same tournament next year and hopefully the results will go our way!

Year 4 Football Tournament

Congratulations to the year 4 football team who represented themselves and the school superbly this week at Rolls Royce in Hucknall reaching the quarter final of the Wilson Shield. The whole squad played so well they were all named as our player of the tournament.



BOPS v Halam Cricket Match

Our first cricket match of the year saw us take on Halam on the school field in the 1st round of this years Teritex cup. Several new players played their first game for the school with Niamh becoming the first girl to play for our cricket team! Despite some great performances, including Cameron hitting two sixes BOPS lost the match by 50 runs. We will have some more cricket matches after half term as we seek that elusive first win!



Netball

Since February half term Netball England coach Helen Leech has been training the BOPS and Ravenshead C of E Hi 5 Netball teams here at BOPS as part of the BOPZONE programme. This culminated in Mr Walker taking the team to the area finals in Newark recently where the team were up against some very stiff opposition with the tournament winners going on to be crowned Champions of Nottinghamshire. Netball will return to the BOPZONE programme in September when we may look at the 7 a side version of the game.

Girls football Tournament

Well done to our 2 girls football teams who took part in the Judge Trophy at Rolls Royce in Hucknall this week. This is only our 3rd season with a girls football team and to be able to enter 2 teams into a tournament and for both teams to be so competitive is testament to the hard work and effort of all the girls. Unfortunately neither team made it through to the knock out stages of the tournament but there were some great individual performances with Phoebe scoring a goal that saw her run the length of the pitch to score! Blidworth Oaks will host the next girls tournament on Friday 16th June.



Important Dates

Monday 5th June - Children Return to School

Monday 5th June - Learning Carousel Afternoon

Tuesday 13th June - F1 New Starter Meeting

Tuesday 13th June - Quad Kids Tournament

Wednesday 14th June - Year 6 BBC Weather Broadcast

Friday 16th June - Final Value Point Count

Friday 16th June - Girls Football Tournament

Wednesday 21st June - Year 4 and 5 Cricket Tournament

Wednesday 21st July - Lacrosse Tournament

Friday 23rd June - Blidworth Cup Year 3 and 4 Football Tournament

Saturday 24th June - Summer Fete

Sunday 25th June - Year 5 and 6 Ski Trip

Monday 26th June - New Class Letters Sent Home

Monday 26th June - School Nurse Drop in Session 8:30am to 9:30am

Friday 30th June - Alton Towers House Reward Trip

Monday 3rd July - Joseph Whitaker Staff to Visit Year 6

Tuesday 4th July and Wednesday 5th July - Year 5 Transition Days to Joseph Whitaker

Wednesday 5th July - New Class Day

Wednesday 5th July - F2 Transition Meeting

Friday 7th July - County Games Finals

Monday 10th July - Year 6 Leavers Service at St Simon and St Jude Church in Rainworth

Friday 14th July - Year 6 Parliament Trip

Monday 17th July - School Reports Sent Home

Tuesday 18th July - Upper School Production

Thursday 20th July - Year 6 Leavers Event

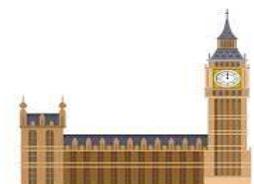
Friday 21st July - Values Day: Sports Day

Monday 24th July - Attendance Reward Afternoon and Attendance Camp

Tuesday 25th July - End of Year Assembly

Tuesday 25th July - End of Term

Monday 11th September - Fulltime Children Return to School



Children Return to School on Monday 5th June