

# Bloxwich Bugle

Bloxwich **Brilliant**



**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

## Message from the Head Teacher



Dear parents,

I want to start by saying a huge 'well done' to my lovely Year 6 children this week. The KS2 SATs testing period is always a stressful time for children but they have conducted themselves impeccably. Every child arrived on time each morning, dressed smartly and with a smile on their face. They took the tests in their stride without fuss or complaint.

We obviously await the results which are due in mid-July, but I am immensely proud of them all. I'd also like to say thank you to the staff who supported them so well over the weeks leading up to the tests and during this week.

I hope you all enjoy your weekend particularly the spectacle of the Royal Wedding and the promise of glorious sunshine.

*Mrs J Gray, Head Teacher*

## Year 6 library visit

This week pupils in Year 6 visited Bloxwich Library to learn about how they can take advantage of this great resource in the local area. This forms part of our drive to foster a love of reading and books.

The head boy and head girl have written about this in more detail in their message this week



*Mrs K Mann and Mr R Riaz, Year 6 class teachers*

## GREAT ATTENDANCE = GREAT LEARNING Weekly Attendance Update



Some classes had great attendance last week – keep it up! Being at school every single day is really important because so much happens, and missing even one day can have a big negative impact on your learning.

- Morning Nursery = 89.4%
- Afternoon Nursery = 92.3%
- Reception Blue class = 92.1%
- Reception Yellow class = 93.8%
- 1 Tipton = 97.5%
- 1 Bilston = 91.7%
- 2 Cradley = 98.3%**
- 2 Dudley = 95.0%
- 3 Walsall = 98.0%
- 3 Sandwell = 97.9%
- 4 Halesowen = 85.4%
- 4 Oldbury = 94.6%
- 5 Blackheath = 88.4%
- 5 Stourbridge = 96.6%
- 6 Smethwick = 94.4%
- 6 Wednesbury = 96.0%

Well done to **Year 2 Cradley** with the highest attendance this week!

*Ms D Mardner, Deputy Head Teacher*



## Spotlight on... Year 2



This term, pupils in Year 2 have worked on a topic called the 'Scented Garden'. We have been on a mini-beast hunt around the school and written about this in our English lessons. We have studied the cocoa-plant from South America. As a result of this, we tasted different flavoured chocolates and chose our favourites.

We were then able to create a graph to show the results.

We have also planted our own Sunflower seeds and written an information text about this. We are now reading lots of information to create our own non-chronological report on a mini-beast of our choice!



*Mrs S Lines and Mr M Hudson, Year 2 class teachers*



## Dates for Your Diary

*Friday 25th May 2018: final pupil day of Summer 1 half term*

*Monday 4th June 2018: first pupil day of Summer 2 half term*

*Friday 20th July 2018: final pupil day of academic year*

## This Week at Bloxwich Academy... Head Girl and Head Boy Message

Last week, all the pupils in Year 6 went on an educational visit to Bloxwich Library. Many of us were surprised by just how close the library is to school, and now that we have realised this, we will certainly make the effort to go again in our own time. We were thrilled about the weather – sunny with a slight breeze – and it was good to get out and about in the local community. It was a wonderful trip and all the staff there were so kind and helpful. They even have a theatre that people can hire in which to carry out performances.



We learned about all the different types of books available and about the fact that they all have reference codes so people are able to find the book they need easily from the catalogue. The staff there knew that we had been learning about Charles Darwin, and provided us with information sheets accompanied by a multiple-choice quiz.

We were given a fantastic tour, and our favourite part was the theatre. Everyone did the jazz hands on the stage and it was really fun! You should definitely visit this library, it's spectacular for a wide range of reasons!

*Klaudia, Head Girl*

*Ryan, Head Boy*