

# Bloxwich Bugle

Bloxwich **Brilliant**



## Friday 13th July 2018

### Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents

As we approach the end of term, the activities are 'hotting up' in school. This week we started off with a lovely nursery graduation ceremony. It was an emotional moment seeing the children dressed in their caps and gowns and receiving their scrolls in front of parents.



On Wednesday, for the semi-final of the World Cup, the children came to school in their football strips. And, in stark contrast to this, Year 3 welcomed a Stone Age visitor and came to school dressed as Stone Age people. It was certainly a very colourful Wednesday here at Bloxwich Academy!

With one more week of school to go, I look forward to being able to share some lovely activities with the children and make some special memories with our departing Year 6 pupils.

*Mrs J Gray, Head Teacher*

### Spotlight on... Year 4

Year 4 have had a very busy week in Maths! We have spent the week carrying out a range of investigations. These have included multiplication squares, inverse operations with triangles, co-ordinates treasure maps and number puzzles.

The children have really enjoyed the challenge these activities have provided and they have worked co-operatively throughout the week, both in teams and in pairs. On Friday morning, we were completing Pascal's triangles, where children had to work out the way the pattern built up to solve it. If correct they were left with a pyramid of numbers.



*Mrs S Parkes, Year 4 class teacher*

### Weekly Attendance Update

Many classes achieved our target of **96%** this last week, which is excellent to see! Well done to Year 6 Wednesbury with the highest attendance out of these!

- Morning Nursery = 96.2%
- Afternoon Nursery = 92.3%
- Reception Blue class = 92.3%
- Reception Yellow class = 91.7%
- 1 Tipton = 96.7%
- 1 Bilston = 88.7%
- 2 Cradley = 96.3%
- 2 Dudley = 85%
- 3 Walsall = 98.1%
- 3 Sandwell = 90.7%
- 4 Halesowen = 93%
- 4 Oldbury = 94.7%
- 5 Blackheath = 92.6%
- 5 Stourbridge = 98.9%
- 6 Smethwick = 96.6%
- **6 Wednesbury = 99.3%**



*Ms D Mardner, Deputy Head Teacher*



## End of Term Trip for Year 6 pupils



On Wednesday 11 July 2018, we spent a day out of school at Telford Park. We have all been working so hard on our play and thought that going on this trip would be a fabulous idea. Our trip started off with a long journey on the coach and school minibus.

Eventually, we arrived and were separated into groups/classes. We went for a walk through the park and sat on some benches for a rest and a drink. At midday, we ate lunch and explored the huge park – so much grass and greenery! Our eyes lit up as there were lots of slides and a huge football pitch... we hoped... we wondered... and we were thrilled when we were allowed to play on all the equipment!



We had an amazing day spending time with our friends. It is nearly the end of the year so this was a great way to celebrate, and we hope that year 7 will prove as exciting and engaging as our time in year 6!

*Poppy and Zak, Junior Leadership Team*

## Time Travel in Year 3!



On Wednesday, children in Year 3 travelled back in time and experienced a 'Stone Age' themed day. Many of the children dressed up with animal print clothing and accessories, as well as crazy and unruly hair!

Throughout the day, there were many different activities in which the children participated enthusiastically. The children got to dig in sand to find any artefacts that belonged to the Stone Age, as well as identify artefacts from other eras. After that, Year 3 built models of Stone Age homes using clay and twigs and even straw!



After lunch, the children continued their Stone Age adventure by carrying out different day-to-day tasks that would have been necessary if they had been alive during the Stone Age. These included turning wheat into flour, weaving sheep's wool to make clothing, creating spears and finally making jewellery.



Children and staff had an excellent day - which was both educational and fun – thank you to all the families who supported us to make this happen.

*Miss K Brown, Year 3 class teacher*



## Sports Day Victory for Beechdale House!

The weather for Sports Day on Friday 6 July 2018 was not ideal for physical activity – how unexpectedly hot! Even though we were unable to do all the events that were planned for both key stages, the children had great fun participating firstly in a carousel of activities, followed by running races.



They demonstrated determination and great competitive spirit. We even had some new personal bests!

As a school, we have also shown great spirit and promise in a range of sports for the future; we are looking forward to continued sporting success in the academic year 2018-2019!



Congratulations are due to all pupils and staff in **Beechdale house**, who accumulated the most points on the day, and who won by a narrow margin of 10! Thank you to all pupils who have shown good sportsmanship by congratulating the winners and being gracious towards the losers on the day.

I would also like to say a huge thank you to all the parents who were spectating and showing their support of their own children, as well as cheering and supporting other members of the class.

*Mr M Riaz*

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

This week has been a tremendously busy time for pupils in Year 6! Not only was the weather extremely hot (again!), but a number of different activities were going to help us create some great memories before we leave Primary school.

We have been working incredibly hard at practising the Year 6 performance and making various props and backdrops for the play. What is it about? Well... here's a hint... we've been making keys ...



On Wednesday, we were lucky enough to have been on a trip to spend the day enjoying the good weather and chatting to each other. We even got into the football spirit as we were allowed to wear sports clothes! Even though England was beaten by Croatia in the match on Wednesday evening, we were impressed by the resilience of all the players. What good role models they are in this regard!

*Klaudia, Head Girl*

*Ryan, Head Boy*

## Dates for Your Diary

JULY 2018

**Tuesday 17 July:** Y6 show performances for families (9:00am)

**Wednesday 18 July:** Y6 leavers' party (4:00pm-6:00pm)

**Thursday 19 July:** pupil reports sent home

**Thursday 19 July:** Y6 leavers' assembly (9:00am)

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