

BLOXWICH BUGLE

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Friday 15th February 2019



NEWS FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

RECEPTION

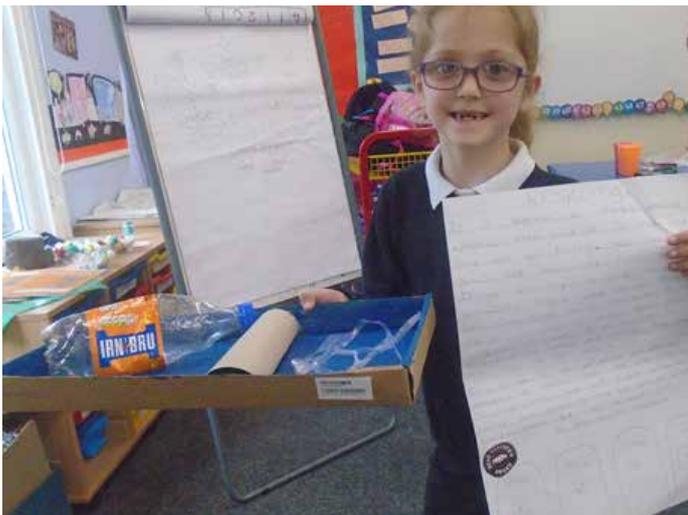
This week, Reception have been practising their addition skills by adding two different amounts together. Some children have been recording numbers and totals, while some children have written full number sentences. This has been done both independently and in small groups. We are very proud of their hard work in mathematics this week. Well done Reception.



Finally, we have been bringing phonics to our free choice games. We have focused on reading simple words and building them into sentences with our 'mystery cup game'. Read the word, lift the cup! The children have had a lot of fun with this game this week.

YEAR 2

In science, Year 2 have been learning all about different materials and recycling. A. Thompson in Year 2 has done some fantastic extra work at home all about recycling. She has written about which materials can be recycled and why it is so important to recycle. She has also made a model to show the rubbish that hasn't been recycled and has instead been collecting in the rivers and seas. Good work!



YEAR 4

We have finalised our independent work, including non-chronological reports all about the Vikings.

We've used a range of skills in our writing, including commas for a list, expanded noun phrases and subordinating and co-ordinating conjunctions. Please ask any Year 4 child to discover what these English terms mean and they will happily explain them to you!

In maths, we have started to look at dividing in a range of ways. We

started off the week by using Skittles and sharing them out to better understand how division works. The children worked in pairs for this activity and showed great teamwork and co-operation to divide some tricky numbers!

YEAR 6

In maths this week, Year 6 have been stretching their understanding of fractions by learning how to add mixed numbers e.g. $2\frac{1}{2} + 3\frac{3}{4}$. In addition to this, we have started to explore ratio and proportion.

Please remember that Y6 booster is every Thursday evening from 3:30 – 4:30. This session is really important to help our Y6 pupils consolidate their understanding.

In reading this week, we have been exploring an extract from Charles Dickens' 'Great Expectations'. We were looking at how the choice of the author's language gave us different impressions of the characters. K. Baker earned the 'Star Writer' award this week for his use of language when answering the following question:

'What impression do you get of the Grey Man in the Graveyard' from the author's use of language?'

He explained that, 'I get the impression that the Grey Man is an escaped prisoner because in the text it says he had 'an iron on his leg', he ate food 'ravenously' and he wore 'coarse grey'. This demonstrates an excellent understanding of the author's choice of language and to make it even better, he referred to the text in his answer by selecting the relevant quotes to support his answer.

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

The sun is in the sky, the days are getting longer and we are speeding towards Spring; it is hard to believe that we have reached February 2019 already. After a busy half term, where your children have been working so hard to be the best they can be, they were able to relax and celebrate at the very first 'Friends of Bloxwich' Valentine's Day disco.

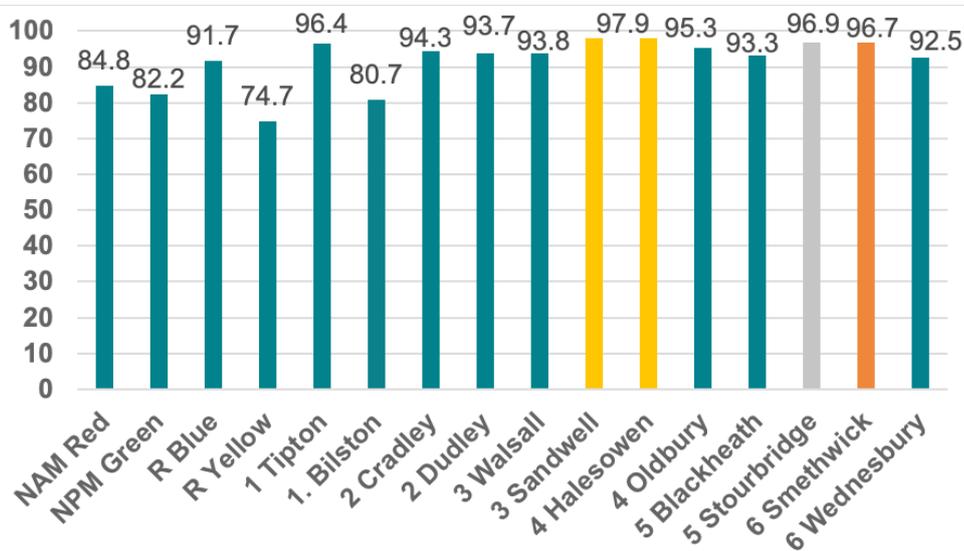
Dressed to impress, Reception through to Year 6 enjoyed an evening of dancing thanks to the hard work of our parent association members. The evening raised £405 which will help us to enhance your children's experience at Bloxwich Academy Primary.

My thanks go to the parent association members, the School staff, parents and the children for making this Valentine's Day disco such a success.

If you would like to support Friends of Bloxwich, their next meeting is Friday 1st March 2 pm at Bloxwich Academy Primary. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable half term.

Mrs Davies

ATTENDANCE CHART



WELL DONE 3 SANDWELL & 4 HALESOWEN

Our school target for attendance is 95% and above.

How well did your child's class meet this target?

OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVERS



E. Blower (left) has recently won a number of medals at a local dance competition, while D. Hearsey (right) has been awarded her Level 7 swimming certificate this week. They both shared their fantastic achievements with the school in our celebration assembly.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

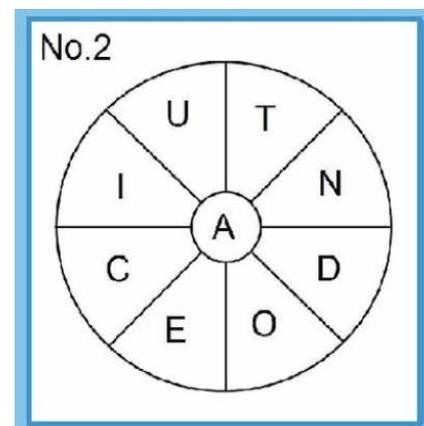
- 25/2/19** - Return to school after half-term
- 4/3/19** - Book Week
- 7/3/19** - World Book Day
- 11/3/19** - Year 1 Inspire Workshops
- 12/3/19** - Year 2 Inspire Workshops
- 14/3/19** - Year 6 SATs Meeting for Parents

ON THIS DAY

On this day in 2005, the American video-sharing website YouTube was launched in the United States.

In 2003, 6-11 million people around the world protested against the Iraq War.

ENGLISH CHALLENGE



WORD WHEELS

Find as many words as you can, but you must use the centre letter every time!

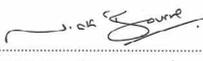
Can you find a 9-letter word hidden in the wheel?

REMEMBER TOGETHER

This certificate acknowledges

Bloxwich Primary Academy

For bringing your community together to make an outstanding contribution to the Remembrance of those who served in the First World War in the year of the centenary of the Armistice.

Signed by 

LORD BOURNE OF ABERYSTWYTH
Minister for Integration and Faith
Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local government



