

Hello from Year 5.

We have been really looking forward to sharing our exciting work with you this week!

We are currently reading 'The StrangeWorlds Travel Agency' by L.D.Lapinsky. We tweeted the author to let her know that we are really enjoying the story and she tweeted back to say that she was so pleased to hear it!

We completed some fabulous creative writing based on the story which features a series of magical suitcases which the characters step into and visit other worlds. After this, we made 3D dioramas of our imaginary worlds and these are now proudly on display in our classroom.

We are starting our new topic on the ancient civilisation of the Maya this term. We will be investigating their beautiful and mysterious temples, creating some papier mache Mayan masks and we will attempt to decipher their stone-carved hieroglyphics!

Did you know that the Mayan people were the first civilisation to invent chocolate? Now that has to be worth investigating!



We hope you all had a relaxing Easter break. It has been wonderful having the children back in school this week. On Monday we also welcomed Alice in EYFS and Oliver in Year 2 who have joined us from another local school. Mrs Regan joined our Midday Assistant team this week.

Recently, The Bishop Gauden Foundation donated £600 towards outdoor play equipment for the children. This week each class were presented with a large bag of playground equipment to use at break time and lunchtime. The children are really enjoying using the equipment and we are very grateful for the kind donation.

Congratulations to William L in Year 5 who recently achieved his Gold Certificate for completion of the Standard of Excellence book one (Trumpet).





Mrs Sharon McCormick is our Home School Liaison Officer.

She works with a number of schools in the local area, supporting families with a variety of issues. Sharon will be in school to meet with parents on Thursday 29th April. The time slots will be 20 minutes.

If you would like to meet with her please contact the office to make an appointment.

Year 6 Badgers and Foxes Bubbles

Since our return in September our two year 6 classes have been treated as two bubbles. It is common in other schools where there are more than one class in a year group that the year group is treated as one bubble. This allows Year 6 the biggest opportunity to enjoy their last term at Bocking Primary from next week Year 6 will be one bubble.

They will continue to be in class as Badgers and Foxes but creating one bubble will allow for more out of class opportunities such as sports and arts as well as preparing them for the normal end of Year 6 celebrations and transition to secondary school.



Year 6 Kingswood 2021

After our October trip was cancelled, then our March trip cancelled we are pleased to confirm that a booking has been secured for 28th June to 2nd July 2021.

Whilst we have every intention and hope of this trip finally going ahead we will continue to be guided by the Government guidelines, Kingswood and our own school's risk assessments.

Year 6 parents will receive a letter next week regarding payments for the trip.

Times Table Rock Stars is an excellent way for your child to practise their times tables in KS2.

Year four children take a national statutory test in June and are expected to know all their tables up to 12x12. Please help us by practising with your child at home.

Congratulations Year 5 you are the class winners this week.

Bella from Year 5 has won AGAIN! - Amazing Job Bella!

Lacy in Year 4 came a very close second this week.



Summer Term TLC's

TLC's will be held via Zoom. The online booking facility has now closed. If you have not yet booked your appointment with your child's class teacher please contact the school office no later than 4pm on Monday 19th April and they will let you know appointments that are still available.



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Stars of the Week

Menu week beginning 12th April

R 	Cleo —Great improvement with her phonic letter sounds. Tyler —For effort with joining in and engaging during carpet sessions
1 	Scarlett — For always being a positive, happy member of Year 1 Ollie —For working so hard in Maths this week and for being so helpful in class.
2 	Teddy — For being so engaged in his English work. Taylor —For working so well in every lesson and sharing her ideas.
3 	Connor — For always working exceptionally hard and making good choices in class. Indie — For being a Maths superstar this week and always making positive choices in class.
4 	Will —for producing interesting and effective headlines in English. Lacey —for amazing effort and determination in her learning this week.
5 	William — For some fantastic science work. Archie — For great improvements in his maths work.
6B 	Connor —For his positive mindset, caring nature and super input into lessons Bobby —For his super attitude to learning, hard-work and enthusiasm
6F 	Theo —Making great connections in his learning of Algebra. Evie — Excellent writing in her independent write and super understanding in Algebra.

M	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese Served with a Mixed Salad Fruit Salad
T	Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing and Yorkshire Pudding WITH or WITHOUT gravy Served with Roast Potatoes, Broccoli, Carrots Ice Cream
W	Chicken in a Tomato Sauce, or Quorn Fillets in Tomato Sauce. Served with Savoury Rice, Crusty Bread, Peas and Sweetcorn Flap Jack
T	Spaghetti Bolognese or Quorn Bolognese Served with Garlic Bread, and Mixed Salad Yogurt or Fruit
F	Homemade Sausage Roll or Omelette Served with Chips, Beans and Peas Chocolate Sponge
	Please note the cost of meals for Key Stage 2 will be £2.30



No nuts

Please remember we are a nut-free school. Do not include any nuts or foods containing nuts in your child's packed lunch.

No nut products



Please include healthy snack choices for your child.

REMINDERS

Please refrain from allowing your child to bring toys to school as the school cannot be responsible for loss or damage.

Coats and warm clothing are required on cold days as all school areas are fully ventilated.

A change of shoes is required if your child will be playing on the field outside.

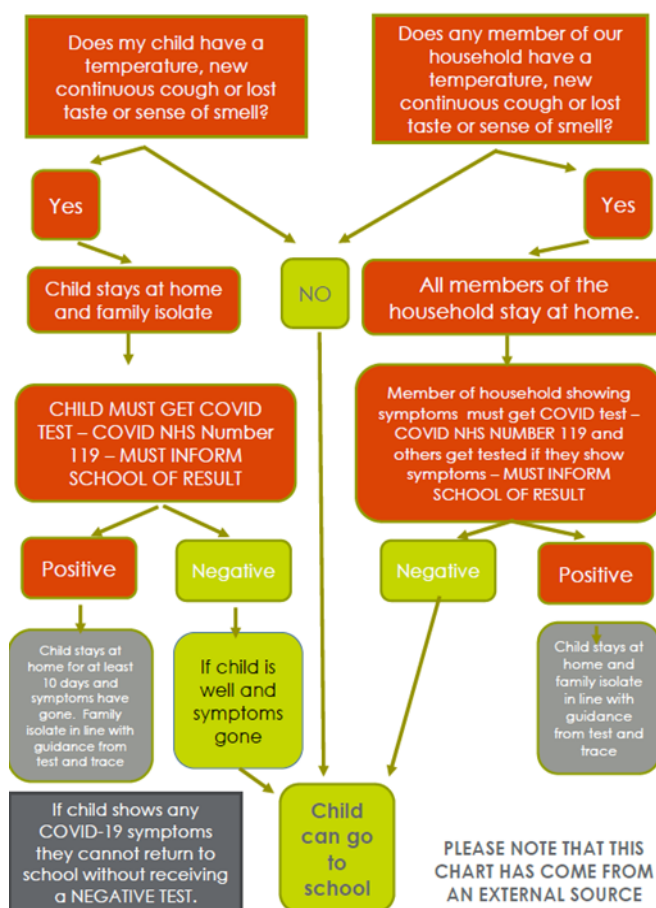
Children are required to bring water bottle and fruit snack daily (Infants have snack provided).

Roblox

We are aware that a number of children are accessing Roblox at home. We advise parents to check if your child is then accessing 'chat' features whilst playing. We have been notified that some users within the gaming and chat settings are using the platform for inappropriate purposes.

Date	Event
Apr-21	
26th	Zoom TLC's Year 2 & Year 4
27th	Zoom TLC's Year EYFS & Year 5
28th	Zoom TLC's Year 6 foxes
29th	Zoom TLC's Year 3 & Year 1
29th	Sharon McCormick Drop in Sessions
30th	Zoom TLC's Year 6 badgers
May-21	
3rd	Bank Holiday
28th	Inset Day (non pupil day)
31st	Bank Holiday
Jun-21	
1st—4th	HALF TERM
Jul-21	
21st	Inset Day (non pupil day)
22nd – 31st Aug	SUMMER HOLIDAY

COVID SYMPTOMS AT HOME FLOW CHART



Please ensure to check your child's hair regularly we have had a report of head lice.

Long hair should be tied up at times.



Face Coverings

Please remember to wear your face mask when in the school grounds or entering the building.

THANK YOU

Attain Academy Job Vacancies—For current vacancies across the trust please view the link below:

<https://attain.essex.sch.uk/essex/primary/attain/site/pages/vacancies>