

This week's merits are awarded
to;

FS1 & 2 - Gilbert & Harry G-L
Yrs 1 & 2 - Sam & Jack
Yrs 3 & 4 - Marley & Ben
Yr 5 - Florence
Yr 6 - Millie-Mae & Scarlett
Well done to you all!



'Buckminster Bites'

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Dates for your diary

Monday 26 th February -	Parents Evening- whole school
Tuesday 27 th February-	PTFA meeting 2pm
Wednesday 28th February-	Parents Evening FS1 - Year 5
Thursday 1 st March	Year 6 Parents Evening
Friday 2 nd March -	Year 1 & 2 Family Assembly

Procedure for Bad Weather/School Closure

If the weather takes a change for the worse, we would like to inform you of the plan we will follow if we need to close the school:

- We will contact Radio Leicester if the school is to close and information will be broadcasted on 104.90FM, normally from 7.30am onwards (it is quite often before). They also put details on website <https://www.bbc.co.uk/radioleicester> **Please do not ring the Radio Station.**
- At the same time, or earlier, we will place a banner (notice across the opening page) on the home page of the school website.

If you do **not** hear to the contrary, assume that the school will be open as normal. We will endeavour, where possible, to keep the school open, but keeping the children and staff safe is paramount. If you have any concerns about travelling in the snow please don't and inform the school as soon as possible. We will do our utmost to have the phone manned, whatever the weather.

If the school needs to be closed during the school day, we will contact parents as quickly as possible and also follow the above procedure.

Don't forget, the playground may be wet, so bring your wellies if we are open!

Sponsored Speed Kick event in school on March 20th

This will also be run as a competition - more information to follow



Leicestershire County Council has this week launched the Term Time Consultation for 2019-2022 <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/term-time-consultation> and is keen to invite responses from you.



POLITE REMINDER

Can we please remind everybody that dogs, no matter how big or small, are **not** permitted onto the playground for any reason. This is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our pupils and staff.

Sport

Year 5 and 6 children tried their hand at some different physical activities in their PE lessons this week (to continue for 4 weeks). Year 6 have started street dance - hopefully there will be a performance at the end for everyone to see (including parents) and Year 5 started to learn fencing.



Year 5 quotes

Ben W - "It was amazing because I learnt a lot."

Wilson - "It was fun and informative - I learnt a lot."

Year 6

Amelie - "It was really good because it was well taught."

Eva - "The teacher listened to us all."

Good luck to Olly, Luke, Eva, Sam T, Andres, Ben G, Ben N, Charlie T, Edward, Jack SI, and Eden who will run in the Melton and Belvoir Primary School's Cross Country competition tomorrow (24th).



Hopefully all have seen our fantastic Ofsted report. We are all incredibly proud of our school and all of the children. Thank you everyone who has sent in their congratulations; such positive comments mean so much to us all.

Buckminster School has maintained its **good** status - January 2018

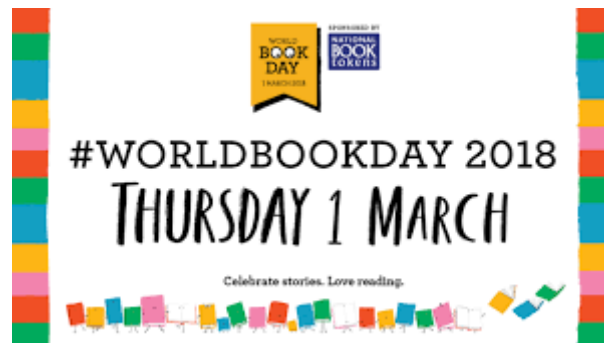
We are particularly proud of the following comments:

- a vibrant pre-school
- children who enjoy their learning
- well behaved and respectful children
- a governing body with an accurate understanding of the school
- a head teacher who has a deep and accurate understanding of effective teaching and learning
- good teaching throughout the school
- a curriculum which promotes aspirations and citizenship

The Bites

Thank you to everyone who has returned the short questionnaire regarding the format of the bites. The over whelming majority of families enjoy reading it each week and would like it to stay the same. A few comments were made about putting dates out in plenty of time. We do endeavour to give you as much notice as possible - all family assemblies for this term were on the Bites before Christmas. However, we appreciate it can be difficult juggling work and school events so we will try harder to give you as much information before the end of each term.

School Council



WORLD BOOK DAY

THURSDAY 1ST MARCH

DRESS AS YOUR FAVOURITE STORY BOOK CHARACTER

NSPCC Mad Hair Day

Thank you to everyone who came to school with crazy hair and donated. We managed to raise £70.60



Well done

Diary Dates

- 26th Feb Parents Evening FS2-Yr6
- 27th Feb 2pm PTFA Meeting
- 28th Feb Parents Evening FS2-Yr 5
- 1st March Parents Evening for Year 6
World Book Day
- 2nd March Year 1 & 2 Family Assembly
- 8th March Year 5 to Bible Times Experience at Market Overton
- 9th March Swimming
Mother's Day celebration at Buckminster Church 2.30pm
- 12th March – 16th March Science Week
- 12th March Year 5 to Casterton College Art & Design day
- 14th March Vale Choir rehearsal and performance at Belvoir high school – Year 4
- 16th March FS2 Family Assembly – 9.10am
Year 3 & 4 Family Assembly 2.50pm
- 19th March FS1,FS2 Year 1 & 2 Yorkshire Wildlife Park visit.
- 20th March Speed Kick Challenge Event
- 21st March Easter Bonnet Parade & Egg vehicle competition
- 23rd March Swimming
Easter Service in Buckminster Church 2.15pm
End of Term.