



BORINGDON NEWS

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We take pride in everything we do.

Dear Parents,

As always, I would like to say well done to all the children for trying their best this term. They have been a credit to themselves, the school and to you. I hope you can enjoy some time together over the coming week.



EVENTS IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Year 4 continued to have multi-skills coaching with Argyle.

Year 3 had tennis coaching with Tom Wyman.

Year 5 continued to have with Hoops 4 Health with Plymouth Raiders.

Year 6 had hockey coaching with Premier Sports.

Year 2 also had tag rugby coaching with Premier Sports.

FUTURE EVENTS IN SCHOOL

Flu vaccinations

Year 5 will start their multi-skills coaching with Argyle.

Year 4 will begin having tennis coaching with Tom Wyman.

Year 2 are going to Morwellham Quay as part of their History Curriculum.

CONGRATULATIONS

A belated congratulation to Mrs and Mr Pettet, on the birth of a beautiful baby boy! Baby Oliver arrived a little earlier than expected, Mum and baby doing well.



ACCELERATED READER UPDATE

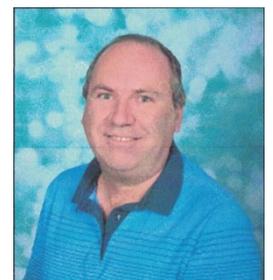
The children in KS2 are really enjoying the new Accelerated Reader Scheme and the challenge of quizzing at the end of each book. New reading books have been ordered and should be with



us shortly. As well as the reading certificates they already receive, we have introduced some new rewards. Accelerated Reader records every word each individual child reads. This can then be totalled each week for the class, and even for the whole of KS2. After half term, our Monday Golden Book Assembly will now include new 'Boringdon Word Wizard' trophies. The class who has read the most words in each year group will be presented with a trophy, which they get to keep for the week. We will also be letting you know the total number of words KS2 has read each week in the newsletter, and on a poster in the hall. Each class will also have their own extra-large 'Boringdon Word Wizard' to display in their classroom. Whenever anyone scores top marks in their reading quiz, they will receive a gold star to stick on the wizard's cloak. At the end of each term (autumn / spring / summer) the class with the most stars will be allowed their own mufti day! The children can also work individually to become 'millionaire readers' – meaning that they will have read a total of one million words! When they have achieved this, there will be a 'millionaire mufti day' once a month for those children. As you can imagine, the children are very excited about this and can't wait to get reading!

MESSAGE FROM GOVERNORS

John Agnew, Governor, would like to thank all those parents and carers who came to talk to him in the ICT Suite, during the recent Parents' Evenings. Given the success, it is hoped to continue having a Governor available to answer any questions at future parental events.



EPIPENS



In the case of an emergency where a child's EPIPEN fails, or the first dose has not had the desired effect, school has now purchased two epipens for use with children who have a known allergy, and for whom parental consent to have an epipen administered has been obtained. It also

means that if a child should experience an anaphylactic reaction for the first time at school, an epipen will be available to use **IF** permission is granted by a 999 call handler, whilst an ambulance and parents are in transit to school. If you have any questions about this, please see Mrs Clod.

TUCK SHOP

After a slight hiatus due to factors beyond our control, we are delighted to be able to re-open the school tuck shop on Tuesdays and Thursdays after half term, at morning break time. We will continue to sell the same healthy snacks as before, and depending on demand, may increase our range of products over time. If your child would like to buy anything from the tuck shop, we have held our prices at 50p per item.



EDUCATIONAL VISITS/VISITORS

Thank you to all the parents who contribute to school trips and visitors. Without your support, many of these events would have to be cancelled. This would be a great shame for the children, as they really do enhance their learning experience. It is common practice for primary schools to ask for a voluntary contribution, and this is especially important to a school like Boringdon, which is one of the poorest funded schools in the Plymouth area. It is only with parents' financial support, that we are able to offer a wide range of experiences for the Boringdon children. Once again, thank you for your support.

GENTLE REMINDERS

Today, 18th October, is the last day of Term 1. Term 2 starts on Tuesday 29th October.

YEAR 6 SECONDARY APPLICATION

Year 6 parents if you haven't yet applied for your child's secondary school, please do so as soon as possible as the closing date is **31st October**. This can be done through Plymouth City Council Admissions website. We have received an email from Plymouth City Council that out of our 60 children, 46 parents

have applied, please if you haven't yet, time is running out!

MORNING REGISTRATION

The school accepts responsibility for children from 8:45 a.m. (the gates are closed at this time for their safety to stop traffic using the school drive) and children should not be at school before this time. From 8:45 a.m. the children come straight into school, so that they are ready for registration at 8:55 a.m. If for any reason, children arrive after this time they must go via the office to be signed in by an adult.

HEALTH

Health advice given to us suggests that the **best defence** against coughs, colds, sickness and diarrhoea is frequent **hand washing**. Please help us to encourage the children to hand wash as often as necessary. May I also remind you not to return your child to school until **48 hours** have passed following any episodes of **sickness and/or diarrhoea**. **As you can imagine, school is a very tight knit community and your help in stopping the spread of coughs, colds, sickness and diarrhoea is essential.**

PARKING

Unfortunately, occasionally I get letters, emails, visits and phone calls from local residents reference the parking over driveways and the congestion caused by drop off and pick up times etc. Please be considerate to the local residents and please **take care** when dropping off or collecting your children if you have to use your car. It is also pointed out that if there were an emergency service, ambulance or fire engine, needing access it would be very difficult to get through. As you know, the area is very congested and potentially dangerous. Please under no circumstances park or drop off on the zig-zag lines. We realise that during the construction period of the new hall, there will inevitably be some traffic disruption to Courtland Crescent and Lucas Lane with some staff and construction workers parking near school and with deliveries to the construction site. To help minimise the impact of this, please can you consider parking further away from school and walking part of the way. This would be especially helpful due to the increased numbers using the front of the school. The school appreciates your assistance in this matter.



WELL DONE

Nate Brooker, Isabelle Hancock, Matthew Rich and Henry Green all attended the Children University graduation ceremony on Friday 11th October.



GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to the children who were in the Golden Book:

YEAR 6

Charlotte Henderson, Matthew Rich, Charlotte Hastings, Matthew May, Oliver Hastings, Elliot Bendall and Sophia Adamson

YEAR 5

Max Hawkins

YEAR 4

Zofia Ciukiewicz, Annabelle Wilson, Phoebe Drew and Mason Sillifant

YEAR 3

Lucas Rose, Lucy Nicol, Sebastian Hayward, Rebecca Davey, Faye Millard, Harry Smith, Ben Silverwood and Ethan Moore

YEAR 2

Arlo Palmer, Archie Preece, Riley Dann, Neive Kirk, Stanley Newcombe, Elliott Pope, Izzy Lambert-Gorwyn and Alice West

YEAR 1

Olivia Berryman, Maddox Baskott, Max Nicol, Sam McFarlane, Harper Holding, Beau Saunders, Sophie Ward, Seb Menzies and James Endean

REC

Hayden Evans, Milo Austin, Hugo Henderson, Eleanor Vingoe, James Sluman, Connie Sowden, Connie Belton and Max Heveran

PROFESSOR ENDEAVOUR (chosen from Golden Book)

This week's winner is ***MASON SILLIFANT (4P)***

BORINGDON HOUSE CUP

This week's winner is ***EDGCUMBE***



Hopefully everyone has received their half term art project and their letter about our Christmas shopping evening, to be held on 8th November - lots to look forward to! Have a lovely half term!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. Scales".

Mr J Scales
Headteacher

