

Bonneygrove Primary School Newsletter

14th May 2021



My theme of Love Monster stories continued this week with the exploits of our little monster overcoming his fears and facing adversity by giving something a go. In the story Love monster practised and practised until he became, at least a little better, at the thing he feared most. This along with many other challenges Love Monster has faced over the half-term allowed our children to identify with this little fellow/fellowess and perhaps understand that they are not the only ones to face difficulties. Thanks to the author, Rachel Bright, we have been able to address everyday problems in a gentle, humorous and sensitive way. I look forward to reading some of the messages our children are writing to Lo, our 'wannabe' love monster, to help him find his 've' so that he can progress to being a real Lo-ve monster.

Amanda Gable

Our 'Golden Thread' of 'Fair Play' was in action last Friday in Year 2. To compliment our learning about China we took our learning outside and built our very own 'Great Wall of Bonneygrove'.



This term, Year 3 have been learning about multiplication and division. Recently, pupils went on a number hunt in the forest to look for as many multiples of four as they could find.

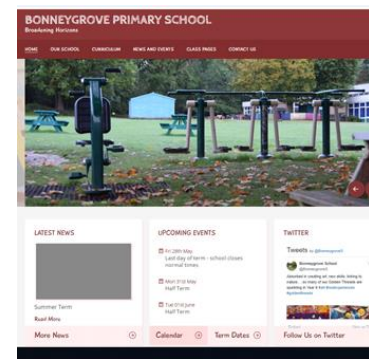


Happy Birthday Joshua!

A very happy looking Joshua with the birthday book he gave to his class to mark his 8th Birthday. The class were delighted, and the book has become a firm favourite! He also chose one of our, exclusive to Bonneygrove, Birthday Book plates so that in years to come others will know who gave the gift of a great book to Year 3. Books create strong and lasting memories and if it is your child's birthday soon, please consider gifting a book.



Have a glimpse of our children enjoying our Broadening Horizons curriculum creating strong and lasting memories making Bonneygrove an exciting place to learn. These words introduce our Twitter account which we use to share how wonderful our children are and how much they love the creative way our teachers enrich their learning. You can find us on twitter @BonneygroveS, or if you do not have an account, you can also see our Tweets on the school website. Come and see what we get up to throughout the day!



Walk to School Week - 17th to 21st May 2021

We are excited to be taking part in Walk to School Week this May.

We all know the health benefits of walking so please help us this week to reduce congestion by supporting children in being more active and help reduce lower carbon emissions during this Walk to School Week.

We would like to encourage all our pupils to try and walk, cycle or scoot to school during this week. If it's not possible to walk all the way, then it would be great if you could park 10 minutes away from school and walk or scoot the last part of your journey.

Each class will have a poster featuring a map of Hertfordshire and aim to take a 'virtual' walk by helping Buster The Dinosaur (the Active and Safer Travel Team mascot) walk around Hertfordshire. Every time a pupil travels sustainably, a dot can be coloured in.

Following on from Walk to School Week, we will be supporting **Clean Air Day on Thursday 17th June 2021**, more information closer to the date.

As part of the 'Trial of Baby Bear Goldilocks', Baby Bear appeared in court to give evidence this week. Year 1 children presented both the prosecution and defence for one of the bears who was standing trial for damages he caused in a twist to the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Children experienced some of the dilemmas involved in this tricky situation. Vocabulary and note taking made it not only a fun and memorable experience but also a great learning opportunity.



The story of the Three Billy Goat Gruff inspired nursery children and put up wanted posters for the troll in the woods.



In art at school with Miss McNamara and Mrs Aulsberry we learnt how to make origami tulips. I was inspired to make my own at home, so I made three and I also made a flowerpot; I gave them to my mum.

Savannah Year 6



Thank You Thompson's of Crews Hill!!

A local business, "Thompsons of Crews Hill" has kindly donated a large dumpy bag of top soil and bark for our Reception area.

This is looking to be used for a new Mud Kitchen, Natural Garden and an area for Herb Planting for our children.



Special Visitors



Baby George's first day at school. Mrs Darrington brought him in to start his education early. Only born on 22nd April and already a keen learner.

Dates for Diary	
Dates	Event
Monday 17 th May 2021	Walk To School Week
Friday 28 th May 2021	Last Day of Half Term (Normal Finish Time)
Monday 7 th June 2021	Children return to school (Normal Start Time)
Thursday 17 th June 2021	Class & Group Photographs
Tuesday 22 nd June 2021	Years 4 & 5 Sports Day 9.15am - 10.30am
Wednesday 23 rd June 2021	Year 2 & 3 Sports Day 9.15am - 10.30am
Thursday 24 th June 2021	Reception & Year 1 Sports Day 9.15am - 10.30am
Friday 25 th June 2021	Nursery Sports Day 9.15am - 10.30am
Monday 28 th June 2021	Year 5 - Year Group Assembly (Outdoors) 2.30pm
Tuesday 29 th June 2021	Year 4 - Year Group Assembly (Outdoors) 2.30pm
Wednesday 30 th June 2021	Year 3 - Year Group Assembly (Outdoors) 2.30pm
Thursday 1 st July 2021	Year 2 - Year Group Assembly (Outdoors) 2.30pm
Friday 2 nd July 2021	Year 1 - Year Group Assembly (Outdoors) 2.30pm
Tuesday 6 th July 2021	Year 6 Sports Day - Time TBC
Wednesday 7 th July 2021	School Disco - Reception & Year 1 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Wednesday 7 th July 2021	School Disco - Year 2 & Year 3 4.45pm - 5.45pm
Wednesday 7 th July 2021	School Disco - Year 4 & Year 5 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Wednesday 7 th July 2021	Year 6 Special Event & Disco 6.00pm - 8.30pm
Wednesday 21 st July 2021	Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 10.00am
Wednesday 21 st July 2021	Last day of term (1pm finish)
Thursday 22 nd July 2021	Teacher Training Day - School Closed to Students

A NEW GOAL FOR HEALTHY START FOOD CAMPAIGN.

Can you help the County Council reach 5,000 families who are missing out on Healthy Start food vouchers?

The vouchers were increased from £3.10 per child to £4.25 from April following lobbying from England footballer Marcus Rashford, who has now teamed up with TV chef Tom Kerridge to help provide families with recipes to make the most of the vouchers. To access 52 great recipes, based on the voucher scheme, visit Full Time: Get cooking with Marcus & Tom by visiting [FULL TIME MEALS - TOM KERRIDGE](#)

If you are at least 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under four years old you could be entitled to Healthy Start Vouchers worth £4.25 per child per week (£8.50 if under 1) to spend on milk, plain fresh or frozen fruit and vegetables, and instant formula milk. You can also use them to buy pulses and canned fruit and vegetables as long as they have no fat, salt, sugar or other flavouring added. The vouchers can be redeemed at local retailers.

If you are entitled to Healthy Start Vouchers you will also get free vitamins designed to help pregnant and breastfeeding women and growing children.

To be eligible you should be in receipt of certain means-tested benefits. Check your eligibility on www.gov.uk/healthy-start. Pregnant under 18 years olds qualify whether or not they are entitled to a qualifying benefit.

There are over 5,000 pregnant women and young children missing out on £221-£442 per child per year to spend on healthy food, so it's important to be aware of this useful source of support.

Take-up of the vouchers is very low, around 45 percent of those eligible, so it is important to check eligibility as soon as possible to prevent missing out. Application leaflets are available from GP's surgeries or baby clinics. Alternatively, a form can be obtained by ringing 0345 607 6823 or by downloading and printing one from www.healthystart.nhs.uk/healthy-start-vouchers/how-to-apply/

To access free information about benefits and check your eligibility, visit the benefit-checker on Hertfordshire County Council's website: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/benefits

