

Dear Parents/ Carers

Ofsted Success



We hope that you enjoyed reading our Ofsted report. We are delighted that Ofsted recognised that we are a good and rapidly improving school with outstanding features. We are getting more and more enquiries from families moving into the area who are looking for a visionary school that has a drive and ambition for school improvement.

We are proud to be the only Primary school in Ockendon whose children have been judged to have outstanding behaviour by Ofsted; every single child, Parent and Carer must be proud too!

If for any reason you haven't had a copy of the report it can viewed on the home page of our website.

We hope that you all had a very happy Christmas and wish all our Parents, Carers, Pupils, Staff and Governors a very peaceful and fulfilled new year.

Money Matters...



Did you know that if you are on certain benefits such as income support, you can apply for free school meals for your child. Putting in an application is quick and easy and doesn't mean that children must have a dinner every day—just that the facility is there if required.

With the Government's changes to funding, the school's budget is heavily influenced by the number of pupils who are entitled to free school meals. Therefore if you are eligible, we would encourage you to apply, even if you do not require the meals. With an increase in budget the school will be able to offer better facilities and opportunities for all children.

Year 3/4 Notice



Please remember to bring in your favourite outfit on Monday for your fashion show!

Many of our regular activities return next week ...

Family SEAL returns on Monday (9th).

Violin Ensemble for Years 5 and 6 is the only club that returns next week. The first session is on Monday (9th) from 3.10—4.10pm.

Individual guitar lessons return on Wednesday (11th).

First Steps returns on Wednesday (11th).

Family Learning returns on Wednesday (11th).

Clubs and Activities



A letter has gone out to all full-time children today regarding clubs for this term. Please complete and return your letter to the school office by Monday (16th). Clubs will be allocated on a first come—first served basis, so please hand your forms in as soon as you can.

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Bug Club

We have subscribed all children into a new home reading resource, called Bug Club. Bug Club is a website that enables children to have a personalised reading scheme at their disposal, via the internet.

There is a link to the Bug Club website on Bonnygate's homepage and all children will have their own log in. We will be holding a short information session on Monday morning (9th) at 9am for Parents and Carers to find out more.

100% Attendance

Congratulations to the following children who received a certificate for 100% attendance last term.

Sam A, Elle A, Esther A, Ryan B, Brandon B, Leah B, Adam B, Halima B, Khamila B, James C, Joshua C, Logan C, Meena D, Siyam D, Alex D, Dulaj D, Imal D, Holly E, Lilly E, Andrea E, Serena E, Fred F, Beth H, Denny H, Aaisha I, Aliya I, Oreoluwa L, Connor L, Sarah L, Katie M, Joe M, Tommy M, Charlie M, Emily M, Reece N, Inheritance O, Danielle R, Selina R, Tia S, Bolu S, Williams S, James S, Tyler S, Emrah T, Davidas T and Louis V.

Congratulations to you all. An attendance report for all full-time children will go out next week.

We welcome Mrs Abrahall to the staff at Bonnygate. Mrs Abrahall will be teaching Year 1 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday mornings. We hope you enjoy your time at Bonnygate and look forward to working with you over the coming months.

**Congratulations to the following children who have been in the Gold Zone ...**

Year 6	Bethany V
Year 4	Lilly E, Jack M
Year 3	Jessica W, Anais M
Year 1	Billy N

Diary Dates ...**Monday 9th January**

Bug club meeting for Parents and Carers at 9am

Thursday 12th January

Football match v Kenningtons (away)

Tuesday 17th January

Fire safety talk to Year 3

Thursday 19th January

Football match v Tudor Court (home)

Thursday 9th February

Violin sharing in the morning (Year 5 Parents/ Carers invited)

Friday 10th February

Last day of half term

Monday 20th February

School and Nursery return

