



The Botwell Bulletin

Friday 9th February 2024

ClassDojo

ClassDojo have made extended the number of languages available on their website and are now able to translate all information on the site into Konkani. We know that this will benefit many of our Konkani speaking families and we hope that you will make use of this feature.

Keeping Safe Week

We have had so many fun activities happening in school during our Keeping Safe Week and it has been great success.

The children have taken part in so many exciting activities throughout the week. Classes have received workshops from the Dogs' Trust, showing them how to be safe around dogs; they have also received basic first aid training from our Welfare Officer, Mrs Rayner.

On Tuesday, Year 5 and 6 children were invited to an Active Travel workshop and Year 6 also took part in the Bikeability programme, learning how to ride safely on the roads.

On Wednesday, the children were treated to a visit from the police and fire service. They loved hearing the police sirens as well as trying on a firefighter's outfit and watching demonstrations with the fire hose.

Classes spent a day focusing on the importance of e-safety. They also spent time learning about the PANTs rule and how to keep their bodies private and safe.

It has been a fantastic week where the children have learnt a lot of important information in a fun way. Check out some of the photographs from the week below.

Dogs' Trust assembly and workshops



Upcoming

- Mon 19th Feb – Children return after half term.
- Mon 19th Feb – VR workshop for Years 3-4
- WB 26th Feb – Assessment week for Years 1-5
- WB 4th March – Book Week
- Tue 5th Mar – Choir singing at St Mark's Music Festival
- Wed 6th Mar – Author visit for Book Week
- WB 11th Mar – Year 6 Mock Sats week
- Thu 14th Mar – Parent Book Look (after school)
- Mon 18th Mar – Parents Evening 3.30-6.30pm
- Tue 19th Mar – Parents Evening 3.30-4.45pm
- WB 25th Mar – Arts Week
- Thu 28th Mar – Year 5 Stations of the Cross
- Thu 2nd May – School closed for polling day

First Aid Sessions



Active Travel workshop



Police Visit



Fire Service visit



Parent Workshops



Thank you to all of the parents who turned up for our two parent workshops this week on 'Keeping children safe when using devices' and 'Online bullying.' It was great to see such a fantastic turn out! We hope that all who attended found the sessions useful and can use the information to support them with using technology at home.

Year 3 Roman Day



Year 3 had lots of fun celebrating Roman Day. It was a day to inspire pupils for their learning and consolidate their knowledge from this half term. The children had the opportunity to experience fun and exciting activities such as learning Roman numerals, create a Roman mosaic, paint and decorate their own shields. We even took part in a Roman army march.

The children looked amazing in their Roman Day outfits and had lots of fun!

Crazy Hair Day



Thank you to all of our families who supported the Friends of Botwell with their crazy hair day event today.

We loved seeing the funky hairstyles from both the pupils and staff.

The contributions raised from the event will go to our school so that we can continue to provide much needed resources for your children and support families with the cost of trips and visits.

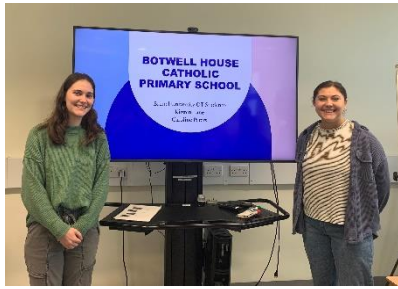
We thank you for your generosity.

Mayor of London Elections

Just an advance notice that the school will be closed on **Thursday 2nd May** as it will be used as a polling station for the Mayor of London elections.

However, due to the close proximity to Sats week, the school **will** be open to our Year 6 pupils as usual.

Occupational Therapy Students



Our occupational therapy students have finished their four week placement at Botwell House and as a result, gave a wonderful talk to their peers and members of the community at Brunel University about their experience at the school.

Eco-Warriors



It has been great to see our dedicated eco warriors working so hard to improve our school community.

This week they have been busy helping Mr Oakley plant daffodil bulbs at the front entrance of the school.

We can't wait until the flowers begin to bloom and add some colour to our driveway and we thank our eco-warriors for all their effort and enthusiasm.

Prayer and Reflection



Years ago, there used to be great rivalry, and even hatred, between Catholics and Protestants in Liverpool, so it is interesting that it was a Catholic who designed the Anglican Cathedral and an Anglican who designed the Catholic Cathedral in Liverpool, both magnificent places of worship.

The road connecting the two great churches is Hope Street, recognizing the hope for understanding between all Christians and all people of good will.

In one of the windows of the Anglican Cathedral, designed by the Catholic Sir Giles Scott, are the words, "Remember with thanksgiving all those who, by diversity of talents and unity of purpose, built this

cathedral to God's glory."

Let's pray that each of us makes good use of our gifts and talents, and that we set out to work well with others:

*Lord, you have enriched our lives in many ways,
And we remember with thanksgiving,
All who have loved, cared for
And supported us over the years.
Show us how best to use the time and talents
You have given each of us*



*And lead us to grow in appreciation
Of the contribution that others make.
May your Spirit empower us to work well with others
And bring out the best in those
With whom we share our lives.
Amen*

