



The Botwell Bulletin

Friday 15th March 2024

Upcoming events

- 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 28th Mar – End of term. 1pm finish
- Mon 15th Apr – Summer term begins
- Thu 2nd May – School closed for polling day
- Tue 4th June – Potential date for KS2 sports day track)

Parents' Evening

Our virtual parents' evenings will be taking place on Monday and Tuesday next week. If you have not already booked a slot to speak with your child's class teacher, then we would strongly encourage you to do so.

If you find that there are no more slots available, please message your child's class teacher and they will arrange one for you.

Competition Winners

The winners of our Science Week and Book Week competitions were presented with their prizes in our celebration assembly this morning.

Science Week competition winners

There were so many fantastic entries in our science competition, and we would like to say a massive well done to everyone who entered. Judging must have been so hard.

Check out some of the entries below.



The competition winners were: Averley, Sophia, Sherwin, Ordnasil, Meredyth, Dennis, Tedra, Nathan, Samara and Alicia.

Book Week competition

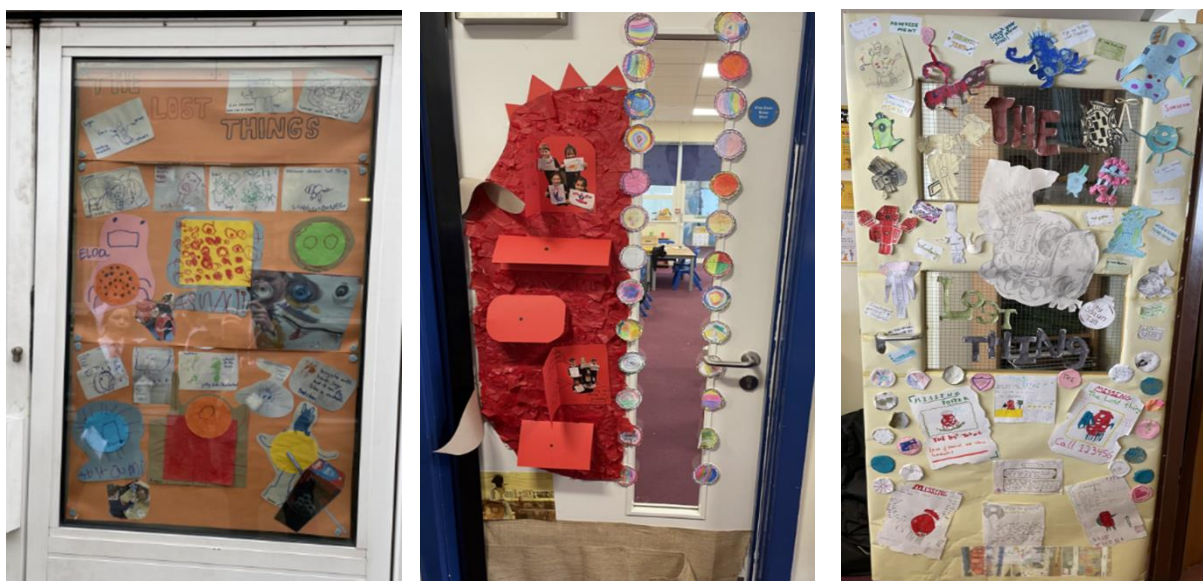


Above are some of the winners from our extreme reading challenge and character dress-up competition. You have to admit, they are brilliant book characters and inventive places to read.

Well done to all of the winners: Aria, Aaliyah, Hunter, Samaira, Chanaysa, Mila, Lillie-May, Evelyn, Emilia, Lynston, Elijah, Rosie, Hanna, Thaswiga, Callie, Maria and Phoebe.

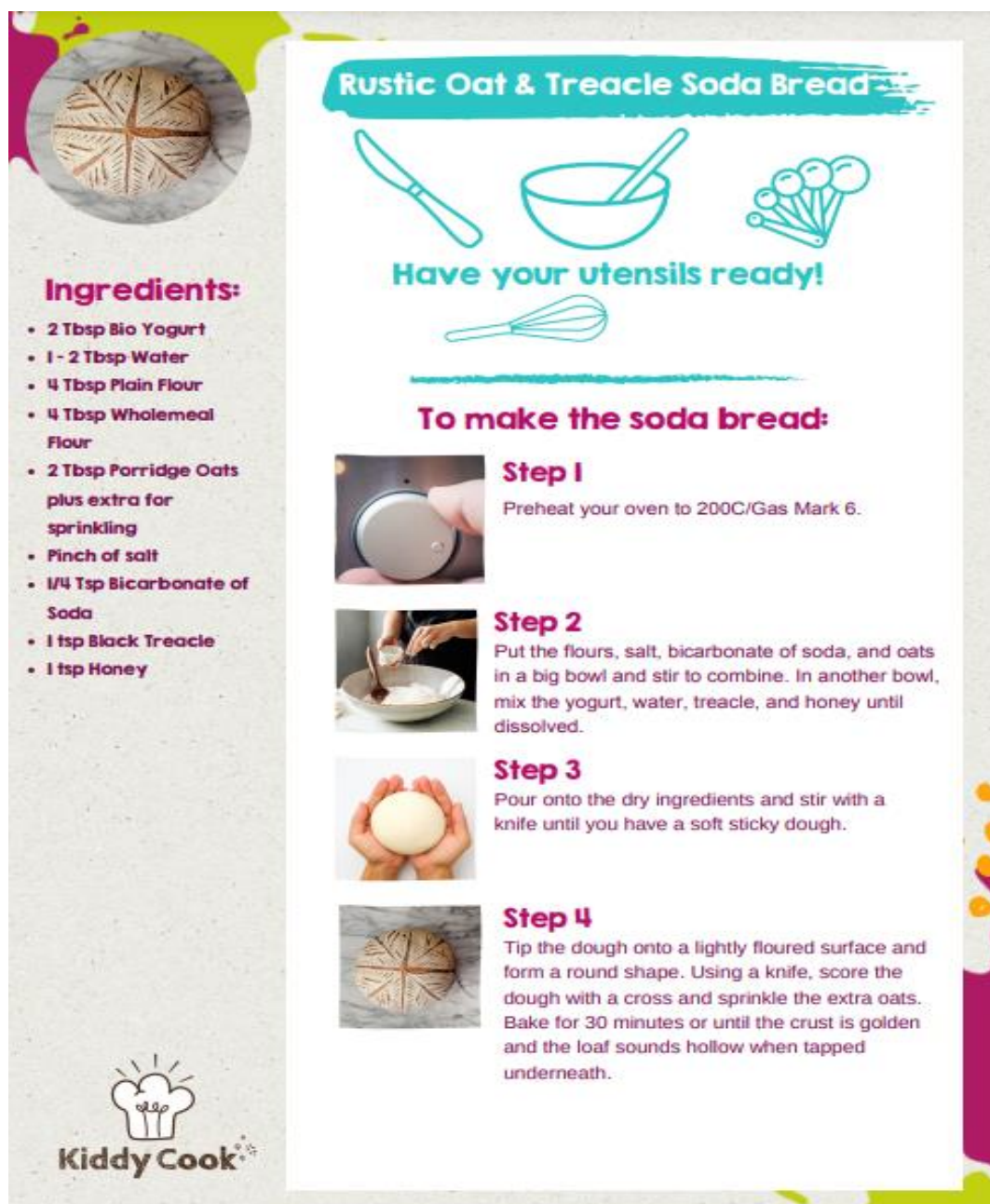
Decorate your door competition

During Book Week, each class was tasked with the challenge of decorating their door using inspiration from the book 'The Lost Thing' by Shaun Tan, which they had been reading over the week. Our school council were given the difficult task of choosing the winning door and after much deliberation, they decided on Nursery, 2P and 6S. See their winning designs below.



Recipe of the Week

Thank you to Gigi Ferrer for providing an excellent recipe that families can make in celebration of St Patrick's Day this weekend.



Rustic Oat & Treacle Soda Bread

Ingredients:

- 2 Tbsp Bio Yogurt
- 1 - 2 Tbsp Water
- 4 Tbsp Plain Flour
- 4 Tbsp Wholemeal Flour
- 2 Tbsp Porridge Oats plus extra for sprinkling
- Pinch of salt
- 1/4 Tsp Bicarbonate of Soda
- 1 tsp Black Treacle
- 1 tsp Honey

Have your utensils ready!

To make the soda bread:

Step 1
Preheat your oven to 200C/Gas Mark 6.

Step 2
Put the flours, salt, bicarbonate of soda, and oats in a big bowl and stir to combine. In another bowl, mix the yogurt, water, treacle, and honey until dissolved.

Step 3
Pour onto the dry ingredients and stir with a knife until you have a soft sticky dough.

Step 4
Tip the dough onto a lightly floured surface and form a round shape. Using a knife, score the dough with a cross and sprinkle the extra oats. Bake for 30 minutes or until the crust is golden and the loaf sounds hollow when tapped underneath.

Kiddy Cook

Prayer and Reflection

This Sunday, we will be celebrating the feast day of St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. The 17th March is the anniversary of his death in the fifth century and the Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for over 1000 years. Although the date falls during the season of Lent, Irish families would attend church in the morning and the Lenten prohibitions against the consumption of meat were waived for celebrations in the afternoon and evening.

St. Patrick is known as the Apostle of Ireland and is credited with bringing Christianity to its people.

Let us say the prayer known as St. Patrick's Breastplate.

*I arise today
Through the strength of heaven;*

*Light of the sun,
 Splendour of fire,
 Speed of lightning,
 Swiftmess of the wind,
 Depth of the sea,
 Stability of the earth,
 Firmness of the rock.
 I arise today
 Through God's strength to pilot me;
 God's might to uphold me,
 God's wisdom to guide me,
 God's eye to look before me,
 God's ear to hear me,
 God's word to speak for me,
 God's hand to guard me,
 God's way to lie before me,
 God's shield to protect me,
 God's hosts to save me
 Afar and near,
 Alone or in a multitude.
 Christ shield me today
 Against wounding
 Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
 Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
 Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
 Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
 Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
 Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
 Christ in the eye that sees me,
 Christ in the ear that hears me.
 I arise today
 Through the mighty strength
 Of the Lord of creation.*

