

Boughton Leigh Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic term it has been for the children. Some of our more able Mathematicians took part in a Maths Challenge for Warwickshire - we keenly await the results. Well done to the children no matter what happens – they did amazingly well and their team work and cooperation with each other was a credit. We have also had sporting success this term with not only our Yr6 boys Rowing Team, but also the Yr6 girls, with both achieving first place for our area. They will be heading off to compete against other schools across the Midlands during the Spring term. Once again the children's behaviour was exemplary; they displayed true qualities of sportsmanship and shone out against the other local schools – we are very proud of them for

We have received a letter from Foodbank and they have celebrated the fact that so far this year, schools have donated 7 tonnes of food. A real success – many thanks to all that supported this great cause.

In November Years 3 and 6 attended the Memorial Service at Technology Drive. We have received a letter from the Ex-Service Association thanking the school for the donation and commending the children's behaviour.

Once again the children presented themselves wonderfully.

Thank you for your support with Christmas Jumper Day, the children really enjoyed this annual event and it

made us all feel really Chrismassy!

This term both Years 3 and 4 have worked hard to put on performances for their parents. The singing was of a particularly high standard and it's always lovely to see the children excited and enjoying the thrill of performing to friends and family. A huge well done (and thank you) to those involved. Please note that Mr Gaskell and Miss Tomkins do put our event photographs on to the website and /or APP. If we have held an event but you cannot see the photos, please don't hesitate to get in touch. As ever we do remind you that once photographs are downloaded they are for family use and should not be posted on social media etc. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

This half term we have voted for the House of Lords and I'm pleased to announced that our new Head Boy is Cameron, our Head Girl is Priya and their Deputies are Lily and Oakley. As ever the standards were really high – Well done everyone, especially to our very close year 6 runners up who have been appointed as the secretaries: Dylan and Italia.

Finally on behalf of the staff and pupils at BLJS, I wold like to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and New

Kind regards, Mrs Duynstee—Head Teacher

Our Attendance Tree is now part of the weekly timetable and children take part in monitoring their class attendance. Despite some bouts of tummy bugs and the flu (not to mention ice and snow), attendance has remained consistent. Letters have gone out to all families where attendance falls below our threshold of 90%. Some families will have been asked to attend a meeting if attendance is falling below 85% or 80% - we are here to help, so please attend if you are offered a meeting. Our Attendance Lead is Mrs Khan and our policy, which includes information regarding lateness, can be found on the BLJS website.

Attendance: The attendance to finish the term to date is: 96%



This Half terms Gallery



Inspiring the Minds of the Next Generation.

This Half terms stars of the week!



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Message Board

This Half Terms School Priorities Update.

RAP 1: Raising Achievement in Reading

This term the classes have really worked on their end of the day reading. From 3pm classes share a book and read from their books at home. We have had a real surge on their 100Hours certificates and the library is becoming well populated at break and lunchtimes. Miss Coulson has taken part in the Power of Reading training with the consortia and we look forward to more reading events next term.

RAP 2: Sufficiently Accelerated Progress for Disadvantaged Pupils

Achievement for All is running well this term as we engage further with some of our families. The partnership between staff and parents is strong. We have maths groups running with Mr Russell, as well as Booster sessions with Mr Gordon and Homework sessions with Mr Cripps – please ask if you would like a place for your child.

RAP 3: Ensuring Good Outcomes through Robust Tracking Systems

We have been working on 'live marking' which means that the pupils receive most feedback during the lesson. Teachers and teaching assistants remodel and provide support to which the children directly respond. Our local authority Learning Improvement Officer visited this half term and stated that there was great consistency to the use of marking across school and that children respond well.

RAP 4: Developing Mastery and Reasoning in Maths

Mrs Beck our Maths lead has provided excellent training to staff on the use of resources to support Reasoning. Teachers are using White Rose Maths resources and we are pleased to announce that our application to Maths Mastery has been successful. We will begin this in September 2018. Children can talk with excitement about their maths and are beginning to explain well, they are using resources to support concepts.

Well done and a big thank you to Mrs Marsay for Winning for the School a goodie bag for the school from Discovery Education!

Wellies Wanted!

If you have any spare wellies that are in good condition, Mrs Sinclair would be very grateful of donations. The wellies will be used in science lessons when we are investigating outside and especially when we are hunting for mini beasts! We need a range of sizes from child size 12 to adult size 6. Please leave any donated wellies in a carrier bag at the school office.

Thank you!

Over this Half Term the children have been really busy making lots of money for a number of different charities

Including:

£220.01 for the British Legions Poppy Appeal

£316.37 for Children in Need

£272.94 for Stand Up To Cancer

£278.07 for Save the Children (Christmas jumper day)

Message Board



Triple P - The Positive Parenting Programme providing simple solutions to make parenting easier. Triple P is a parenting and family support system designed to prevent - as well as treat - behavioural and emotional issues in children.

Find out more by coming to a Coffee Morning on Tuesday 16th January 2018 9-11.00am at Brownsover Community School.

Alternatively for more information contact Nicky Khan (Learning Mentor) at Boughton Leigh Junior School on 01788 577914, or Emma Bishop (Family Support Worker) Brownsover Community School on 01788 547660.

Course starts Tuesday 23rd January 2018, 9.30 -11.00am at Brownsover Community School. 5x 1.5hr sessions, 1 telephone call per week for following two weeks offering personalised support and guidance with behaviour management for children up to 12yrs; then 1 final 1.5hr session. We look forward to meeting

you.













Don't forget to catch the reading bug! Log on to bug club at home and during lunchtimes in the library.

Your teachers can see all of the fabulous work you are completing and can give you more books to read.

09.01.18 - 19.01.18.

Fairy-tale fortnight.

The first two weeks back after Christmas will be a cross-curricular English and Art project. The children will all produce their own fairy tale stories (based on Peter Pan) and will present them into a book. The Art work will be inspired by a local artist; Kerry Darlington.









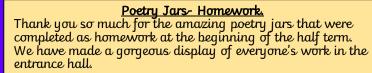










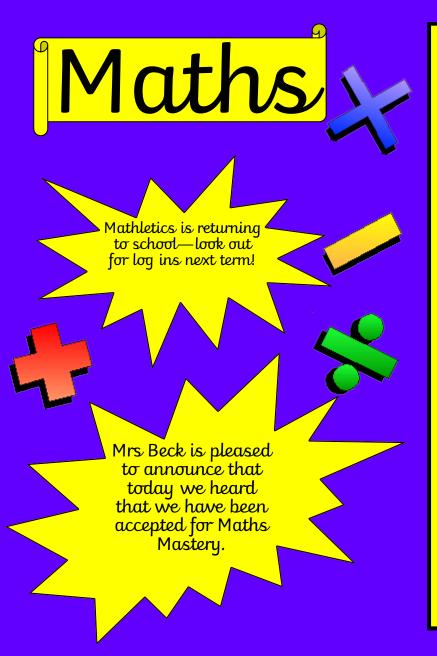






Andy Tooze
The children really enjoyed their visit
from Andy Tooze. Daisy from 3 Deary
says that; "Andy Tooze has inspired me
to write poems at home!"



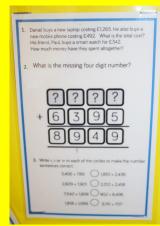


We have been working on mathematical reasoning. Here are some examples from white rose:

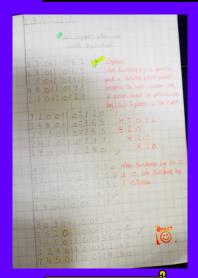








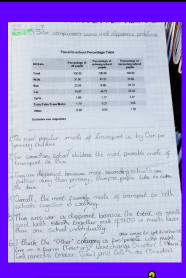
We are proud of our maths work, here are some pieces of work from each year group:



Year 3



Year 4

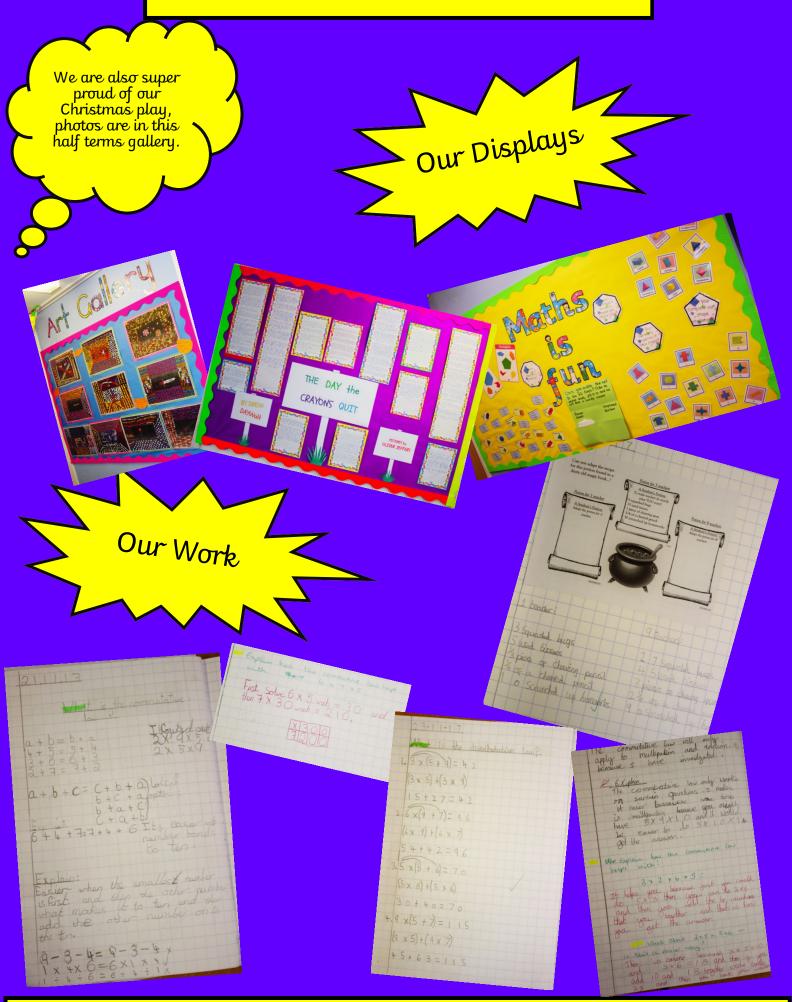


Year 5

Fractions	Decimals	Percentages		
1/10	0.1	10%		
1/2/		50%		
8/25/		32%		
9/10/		90%		
91501		18%		
1/4/	0.25	25%		
		20/01		
7/50		40%		
3/4	0.14/	75%		
6/100	0.061			
11/25	0.44	440/01		
1/100./				
	0.01/	95%/		
Harry says % is a 1.2. is he correct answer.	rect because	4 1/2 out	y 100	

Year 6

Year 4 are proud of:



Inspiring the Minds of the Next Generation.

What have year 6 been doing this half term?

Maths:

- Place value
- Calculations (four operations)
 Factors, multiples, prime numbers
 Data handling (Viking hunt)
- Fractions
- Angles Viking symmetrical brouches (link to art)

E-safety

Living with Google! Who gives a

Kahoot?

Victorians and Rule Britania (Vikings)

Geography:

- Answer questions using a map.
- Reading an ATLAS

- Vikings: . Locating the Vikings homelands and where they settled. . Discuss locations where the Vikings raided.

Key question to explore:

. How do you locate places on a map using an atlas to help

Reading: Vikings:

- Summarising information on Viking gods. Using context to determine word meaning-Viking vocabulary hunt.

Victorians:

Using skimming, scanning and text marking skills when completing own research (Victorian Christmas customs).

- Key question to explore: . How do we successfully summarise a piece of text? . What can we scan the text for to find information more quickly? . What information do we text mark?

Outdoor learning: . Treasure hunt: facts hunt around school (when carrying out research). . Viking hunt- data handling.

Key question to explore: . How can you present your facts in an inter-esting way?

- . Tag rugby/ dodgeball . Real PE creative
- unit
- Netball
- Real PE social

Key question to explore:

. How can we work successfully as a team?

- Numbers 1-100
- Colours
- . Days of the week months. . The verb Avoir
- and Etre . Hobbies and
- Body parts
- . Conversations with the above

Textiles: Funky Furnishings

- Key question to explore: . How can you follow and refine your plans?
- . What evaluations can you make of your product?

Plan and carry out a scientific enquiry.

- Let it shine (light): . Exploring and explaining how light travels. . Investigating shadows.

- Staying Alive (circulatory system) . Name main parts of the circulatory system and describe
- there functions.

 Dicuss the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle.
 Link: The great potato famine and staying alive.
- How does light travel?
- . Now wes ugre crower?

 . What prevented many people to die during the great potato famine?

English:

- Text: Roald Dahl Revolting Rhymes:
- . Biography

Text: Skellig

- . Description
- Diary
- . Play script and performance . Balanced arguments

Text: The Christmas Carol (link to Victorians)

- . Formal persuasive letter . Narrative opening . Descriptive writing of setting and characters

British Values:

- What is it to be British (acrostic poem).
- Food banks (links to harvest).

 The right to vote- link to womans right to vote suffragettes.

History:

- Lindisfarm diary entry-summarise a key events from a period of history. . Persuasive letter- applying for the job of a Viking. . A viking comes to visit- Use viking artifacts/sources/evidence to find out about the past.

Victorians:

- Non-chronological report (Victorian Christmas customs) . Explain differences and similarities between different periods of history (Victorian
- Key question to explore: . What are the main differences and similarities between the Vikings/ Victorians way

Roald Dahl:

Quentin Blake water colours

- Vikings: . Facial Features

- Longboat design Making waves: Patterns Whole class project based on work by artist Chuck Close.
- Artist: LS Lowry Architecture, perspective
- (Patterns in nature, using a choice of mixed media, printing)

School Parliament

House of Lords

Head Boy



Thomas

Head Girl



Georgie

House of Commons

Year 3: Daisy, Tillie, Sam, Nisha. Year 4: Ellie, Destiny, Ethan, Daisy. Year 5: Carla, Ryan, Daisy, Emilia, Nicholas. Year 6:Alysia, James, Jorvan, Cain.



A Message from the House of Lords.

Hello everyone this is the last message from Thomas and Georgie. We have really enjoyed the last year being both deputies and head boy and girl. We really look forward to seeing who is going to be voted in. Here are the messages from each of the new years candidates

Jamiel: "I will make sure everybody has a friend." Rebeka: "I will make sure everyone respects our school and each other."

Krisha: "I will make sure everybody is happy in our school.

Oakley: "I will make every child feel welcome in

our school."
Theo: "I will make our school more eco-friendly."
Lily: "I will make our school more bright and friendly."

Nicholas: "I want to make the school bully free." Sandra: "I will make the school litter free."

Emily: "I will make the school safe for everyone." Logan: "I will help anyone who is worried or upset.

Dylan: "I will give everyone a voice."
Priya: "I will make sure your voices are heard."
Emily: "I will make sure shy children are still heard."

Cameron: "I will stop loneliness and bullying." Italia: "I will have he school fund_"raise more, for important charities.

Harley: "I will make sure the school in an ecofriendly place.

Good luck everyone!

A Message from the House of Commons.

The school council PTA members helped with this years Christmas fair, where over £1000 was raised for the school,

raised for the school,

Eco-Warriors:

We are really proud of the decreasing amount of litter on the school grounds, next half term we hope to raise money for extra bins, and get the wildlife area litter free.

Prefects:

Prefects are really proud of the amount of children staying outside at lunchtimes, and how tidy the children are keeping the school we hope everyone continues the good work, in listening and respecting our prefects.

The school council also worked together to help organise the Children in need fundraising this half term which raised £316.37 for Children

The School Council are looking forward to working closely with the newly elected Head boy and Girl, and the rest of the

House of Lords.
"Together we will be able to make the school a happier and tidier place to work and play.





Life at BLJS

Sport at BLJS

A big focus for sport at BLJS this half term has been the Year 6 Boys and Girls level 2 indoor rowing competition, which BLJS Girls and Boys won! Well done Year 6!

We have also been awarded our Gold Mark in PE, for the second year in a row, a photo of our Sport Team Captains with the award is in this half terms gallery.

Club News.

At 3D printing club this half term we have been teaching the children how to use 3 pieces of software, and how to print off objects with a nice finish.

At 3D printing club this half term we also managed to create Christmas decorations and cookie cutters to be sold at the Christmas fair.

Club News.

At Netball club we do a lot of really fun things like playing netball games, and practicing marking, pivoting, and different types of throwing.

We would love to see more people at netball club, if you wish to find out more or join netball club please speak to Miss Hobday

What was the most interesting thing you've learnt this half term?

"We loved learning about Bear Grills in English!" 3Murphy

"We have really enjoyed looking at the book The Day the Crayons Quit" 4Tomlinson "We have enjoyed doing stop motion in IT" 5Rowling

"We enjoyed learning French numbers" 4 Nimmo

" We enjoyed our trip to the space centre 'We have enjoyed learning about Victorian Warehouses, it was shocking!" 6Tolkien

Life at BLJS

Our opinion on worldwide news:

We are able to start this section with some happy news Prince Harry and Meghan Markle have announced their engagement, just in time for Christmas. With their wedding due to happen on the 19th of May next year (the same day as the FA cup Final). We look forward to being able to report on this.

We want to take the opportunity in this section to have a look at some weird and wonderful Christmas facts. We will start with the fact that in Britain each person will eat an average of 27 mince pies over the Christmas period, that's 37000000 mince pies consumed in the UK alone. 600000 letters are sent to the North Pole each year.

That leaves us with just one message for you:

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What we are loving at school this half term

The School has been visited by children's Poet Andy Tooze this half term, everybody loved the chance to hear him perform some of his poetry. He also encouraged the children to write their own poetry at a number of different workshops over the two days he spent in school. This was a lovely end to poetry week, where the school celebrated different forms of poetry, the children also really enjoyed making poetry jars as their homework that week.

Year 5 enjoyed a trip to the national space centre, where they enjoyed looking at the space ship and experiencing the planetarium.

Year 6 enjoyed a Christmas themed Victorian day, where they made bubals, treat cones, paper chains and Christmas crackers.

We have also all enjoyed learning a range of different French Christmas Carols.

Achievement outside school:

At Boughton Leigh Junior school we celebrate the achievement of pupils both in and outside school. In year 3 Sam has won a trophy for his achievement in football, and Nisha has been awarded her stage 4 in taekwondo. In year 4

Ellexie has come 1st twice in tackwondo competitions, keep up the good work Ellexie, and Hugo has achieved medals and trophies for his success in Rugby. In year 5 Charlotte has been awarded a

massive 7 Brownie badges!! Olivia had won a medal for her trampolining skills and Christopher has achieved a trophy for his gymnastics. In year 6 Geogie has passed her Street and Ballet dance assessments and Aleks has achieved his red belt in kick boxing.

Well done to all the children at BLJS for their commitment to all their activities outside of school, you continue to blow us away!



True or False?

There were 3 wise men

False, The Bible doesn't give a number:

True or False?

Father Christmas' suit was originally green.

True, In Britain Father Christmas was fraditionally seen waening a green cloak, until Coco-Cola made it red as part of a marketing canpaign, that has stuck ever since.

True or False?

Jesus was born in a stable.

False, biblical schalars believe that Iesus was probably born in a cave.

Key Dates this Half term

	22nd December	School Breaks up for Christmas	
	9th January	The children return to school.	
١	10th January 12:00pm—11:00pm	Young Voices at the Genting Arena	
	6th February 5:00—7:30	Year 3 and 4 DVD night	
	9th February	Y6 Residential final payment due in.	P
	13th February 5:00—7:30	Year 5 and 6 DVD night	IDEO
	16th February	School Breaks up for February half term.	
	26th February	Children Return to school.	
	8th March	Parents evening	
7	30th March	Bank Holiday	