



Banks Lane Junior School

Communication, Collaboration, Curiosity, Resilience, Reflection



The Weekly Roar!

Friday, 15th March 2024

423th Edition

THE LAND BENEATH OUR FEET

For part of Year 3's topic 'The Land Beneath our Feet', the children have been exploring their local area, using a map to locate key features that make Offerton an urban town. The children added key symbols to their maps, including housing, pharmacies and historical buildings, whilst discussing how Offerton has changed over time to meet the demands of the 300,000 population. The children learned how Banks Lane School used to be farmland and how the school site moved from Banks Lane to Hempshaw Lane. Thank you to the children for representing Banks Lane so well and completing some excellent map work.



AWARD WINNERS

The Headteacher Gold Awards were given to:

Harry 3B - for being the first Year 3 child to get his 'masters'. His enthusiasm and love of learning is always superb! Well done!

Edith 4S - for being a BLJS role model. She does an amazing job in representing our class in school council and using all of her learning powers! Well done!

Gracie 5B - for her polite attitude to all members of staff and being a kind friend! Well done!

Jacob 6S - for his amazing resilience, positive attitude and hard work, particularly in maths! Well done!

The Headteacher merit awards were awarded to:

Lexi 4S and Lorna 6S

A huge well done to all of our award winners!



DOJO WINNERS

This week's Dojo award winners are...

Team Biles!!!



Congratulations to Team Biles.

LEARNING POWERS JOKE OF THE WEEK

Why did the teacher draw on the window?

Because he wants his lesson to be very clear!



FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE AWARD



This week's Winners

1 st	3B
2 nd	3L
3 rd	5B

IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday this coming week to:

Arlo - 3B

Esta - 3B

Elijah-James - 3L

Elsie - 4B

Emily - 5B

Amelie - 5L

Emelia - 5S

Brooke - 6B

Freddie - 6S

We hope you all have a great time celebrating!



DOJO TEAM TREAT

This afternoon Team Yousafzai enjoyed their DOJO treat! Team Youzafzai chose to enjoy a movie afternoon, Space Jam was the film of choice. Members of Team Yousafzai worked together to set up the school hall with chairs, sofas, bean bags and pillows and made it feel very cosy. School provided some sweet treats and all members had a lovely afternoon, which they very much deserved after working so hard.



ATTACHMENTS

- ESC Flyer
- County Flyer
- 2024/2025 Term dates
- Parenting anxious children

SCOOTERS

We had a collection of scooters within our bike shed that had been there for quite some time. We have now brought these scooters inside - if one of these belongs to your child please speak to the office.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a huge amount of lost property within school. If you have any items missing, please have a look in the big wooden boxes that are located inside the doors on the playground.

PARENT FORUM

Next week is national neurodiversity week which we will be recognising by holding a whole school assembly for the children. Here, Miss Howarth will explain what neurodiversity is and what we can do to support our neurodiverse peers.

Following this, during our Parent Forum on the 27th March at 9.15am, Miss Howarth will be sharing this information with parents and carers. If you'd like to find out more about neurodiversity week or have any questions on this topic, please join us then.



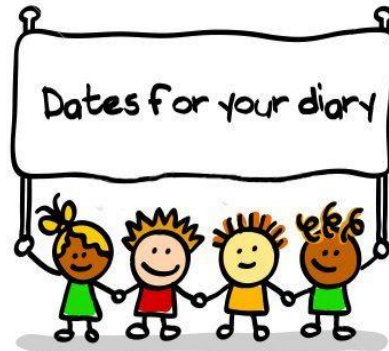
VIKING DAY

On Thursday, Year 5 had a brilliant Viking Day. Thank you so much for all your effort with costumes and props; the children looked amazing! We were joined by Thorgreem Ragnar, who shared his Viking wisdom and knowledge with us. The children were thrilled to feel the weight of real chainmail and to find out how expensive it was to make weapons. We also learned lots more about day to day life for the Vikings, including what sorts of delightful jobs children would be expected to do and why they didn't actually have horns on their helmets. Thank you for sharing your expertise Thorgreem! We then all enjoyed sketching and painting illuminated letters, like the Anglo-Saxon monks. Some children had the opportunity to make Viking soda bread, which was very tasty. A fantastic day of History and Art learning - well done Year 5!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Parent Forum - Wednesday 27th March at 9:15am



USEFUL WEBSITES

CEOPS

CEOP help young people who are concerned about on-line images and communications.

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11_13/help/CEOP/

Family Lives

Family Lives is a charity with over three decades of experience helping parents to deal with the changes that are a constant part of family life.

<http://www.familylives.org.uk/>

Guidance for Parents re Instagram

http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/instagram_guide.pdf

Kidscape

'Preventing Bullying, protecting children'

<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/what-we-do/>

Kidsmart

<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/>

Netmums

The network offers information to parents about parenting on a national level. Amongst the topics are child welfare, maternity, playgroups, child health and child safety.

<http://www.netmums.com/>

NSPCC NetAware

[https://www.net-](https://www.net-aware.org.uk/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=Grant_shareaware2014&utm_term=nsppc_net_aware&qclid=EAIaIQobChMI6rq9lqCa1QIV77XtChOnOw-aEAAAYASAAEgIawPD_BwE&gclid=aw.ds)

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Stockport SEND Local Offer

<https://stockport.fsd.org.uk/kb5/stockport/fsd/localoffer.page>

UK Safer Internet Centre

E-safety tips, advice and resources to help children and young people stay safe on the internet.

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>

