



Livingstone NEWS

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A message from Mr Thornes

Hello to everyone and happy new year!

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable festive period and are enjoying 2019.

As always it's a really busy time at Livingstone and there's already been some fantastic achievements by the pupils.

We had our Boccia team, and our indoor athletics teams make the county finals of which we are incredibly proud. We've been starting new clubs such as running and boxing after school and we are trying to expand the amount of activities we offer. Pupils are working hard in lessons across all the age groups and I've been lucky enough to see lots of lessons, via observations and learning walks, which are a real pleasure. The warmth of relationships, working atmosphere and innovative practice is really inspiring. In our drive to get the very best from all our pupils, we are pushing a Maths Mastery approach and further developing our Accelerated Reader Programme amongst many other areas. The weather has been getting colder, but so far we've been lucky to avoid anything too bad. If we were to call school off in the event of heavy snow, we will text you, update the Twitter (@LPSbedford) and Facebook pages and notify the Borough. You can see that update on www.bedford.gov.uk/schoolclosures however I'd recommend you keep an eye on your phone or follow us on social

media if you want the earliest possible indication. I do know a lot of parents and carers commute and work irregular hours so we will endeavour to give you as much notice as possible.

Can I take a minute just to remind everyone about the importance of being in school and arriving on time. The benefits for pupils with high attendance are huge, both academically and socially, so thank you for your support with this. We have mock SATS coming up in Y6 and some really important work is going on across the year groups. I am on the playground most mornings so please don't hesitate if you want to ask a question or say hello.

Mr Thornes



We are proud to announce that five of our pupils will have their poems published in the Young Writers book next month.

The national competition asked for pupils to write a poem inspired by the theme 'poetry in wonderland'.

Mr Thornes says, "There were more than 20,000 entries from across the country so you can understand how proud we are to have our pupils worked published".

The winners from Kingfishers class, Year 6 Abuturab, Genisy, Courtney, Ria and Evangeline.

Copies of the book are available to buy at www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions

Sports News

We have had a good start to 2019 with some great results and efforts.

Well done to our Year 5/6 Boccia team (below) who came sixth in the county finals. They gave a brilliant performance.



Our Y5/6 Basketball team played Oakley Primary and Westfield School. We didn't win but we learned and scored some baskets and improved. Thanks to Mr Temperley for refereeing and helping encourage our team and to Mr Knight for running the team.

We took part in the brilliant Badminton Festival (below) at the Bunyan Fitness Centre. Well done to everyone involved



Children should wear school uniform every day (except for some PE days). No patterned leggings, trainers, denim or hoodies please. A full list of school uniform can be found on the school website.

We want to keep you up to date with all school news and information and what is happening at Livingstone Primary.

Our website is full of information and can be found at www.livingstoneprimary.co.uk

For the latest up to the minute news you can follow us on twitter @LPSBedford and Facebook



The LIVINGSTONE Bulletin Board

HALF TERM BREAK

Monday 11th February
to Friday 15th February

Children return on
Monday 18th February

Class Photos
Wednesday
20th March

**Friday 8th
March**
Mr Bubbleworks
assembly

6th March
Parent consultations
for Kingfishers

7th March
Parent consultations
for Kestrels

Cake sale in aid of
our chosen charity
the RSPCA on
Thursday 21st
February after school
at 3.30pm