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# Burnt Oak Junior School

Friday 13th March 2026

## Message from Miss Snow

It has been a very exciting week in school, with something happening almost every day (see below for more details). On Monday, we also enjoyed a visit from HSBC, where pupils learned about the importance of managing money wisely and making sensible financial choices. Finally, a reminder to please book your Parents' Evening appointment via your Arbor account if you have not already done so. We look forward to seeing you there.



## Diary Dates

**Tues 17th March**—St Patrick's Day (token green)/Rocksteady Music Assembly

**Thurs 19th March**—Y4 & 6 Bexley Music Festival/Y5 Presentation to parents

**Fri 20th March**—TPA Football Finals (Girls)

**Weds 25th March**—Parents Eve

**Thurs 26th March**—Y3/4 Cross Country Competition/Parents Eve

**Mon 30th April—Fri 10th April—Easter Holidays**

**Mon 13th April**—Pupils return to school

## Learning

For British Science Week, themed "Curiosity," each year group took part in a hands-on investigation while learning about an inspirational female scientist. The week began with an informative assembly explaining that many scientific discoveries begin with someone being curious and asking questions about the world.



Year 3 explored plant growth through a Bean in a Bag experiment and learned about botanist Dr Janaki Ammal.



Year 4 investigated camouflage in a Moth Hunt activity, linked to the work of zoologist Dr Miriam Rothschild.

Year 5 examined how materials change by testing the effect of acid on eggshells, inspired by environmental chemist Dr Ellen Swallow Richards.



Year 6 designed and tested strong paper towers, learning about innovative architect Dame Zaha Hadid.

These activities encouraged pupils to ask questions, test ideas, and celebrate curiosity in science.

## Attendance

The top three attendance classes this week are:

4th—4T with 98.3%

3rd—6T with 98.4%

2nd—3B with 99.3%

**1st—3T (again!) with an impressive 100%!**

Our School target for attendance is 96%. This week we achieved **97.4%**.



## Safe

Please can we ask that smartwatches with the ability to send messages and/or take photographs are kept at home, rather than simply being put on school mode. This is in line with our safeguarding procedures and helps us ensure a safe environment for all pupils.



## REWARD ASSEMBLY

3B	1. Isla 2. Orla
3T	1. Rene 2. Aarav
4T	1. Ralph 2. Molly
4Y	1. Bella 2. Grayson
5B	1. Archie 2. Ezekiel
5S	1. Christina 1. Niah
6D	1. Annie 2. Jude
6T	1. Nieve 2. Rosa
Sport	Hannah A (Y4) Ethan (Y5)
Attendance	3T
Special Mention	BOJ Boys (Winners) and Girls (Runners up) Football Teams

## Happy



It's been a busy and exciting week! Alongside ukulele practice and welcoming local schools who joined us to rehearse for the Bexley Music Festival, our football teams gave us plenty to celebrate.

The boys' team are through to the semi-finals of the Bexley Cup, while the girls' team were runners-up in the Charlton Athletic Cup. Both matches were incredibly close and went all the way to penalties, making for some very tense and exciting moments. Well done to all the players for their fantastic effort and teamwork!

