



# Belleville Wix Academy

## 10<sup>th</sup> September Newsletter



I would like to offer you all a very warm welcome back to school following the summer holiday. It has been lovely to see you all again and I hope you all had a wonderful time during the school break. Sometimes getting back into the school routine can be a challenge but I think you have all managed really well this week.

The pupils at BWA have settled back into class exceptionally well. I wish I could capture what I get to see when I walk around the school as I think you would be super impressed with how focused your children are in their lessons and how quickly learning starts after you say goodbye to them in the morning.

Thank you for your patience as we all get acquainted with the new start and end of day times and arrangements. Your co-operation has been truly valued by the staff team. I wanted to highlight a potential period of disruption we found out about on Wednesday. Wix's Lane will be closed to traffic between 8am – 5pm each day from Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept through to Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September. We are working with the council to share our concerns about the impact these works may have on the start and end of day. I would kindly ask that you be alert to the work that will be carried out in the area during this period.



### New Starters

This week we have welcomed new pupils and families to our nursery and reception classes as well as throughout the school. On behalf of the whole school community, I would like to offer you a very warm welcome to BWA and hope that you feel at home and are very happy

here. If you need anything from us please don't hesitate to let us know.



### School Improvements

The summer break has been a very busy one at BWA improving our school environment, as some of you may have seen as you walked past the school or attended the summer camp onsite. Here are some of the things we have been busy improving:

- Painted the canteen
- Painted the area by the pupil toilets on the first floor
- Painted the AHT office
- Laid a new floor in the year 4 classroom
- Extended the bike storage area
- Had new boilers put in – this work will run until October half term
- Started work to replace the fire alarm which will run through to the spring term

## PTA White Party

Next week we cannot wait for this magnificent event to start the school year off. It will be a great way to meet other families and just take some time out for you. Our wonderful PTA will be transforming the area by the canteen into a sparkling white wonderland, there will be a live DJ (in a Land Rover!), delicious fresh food and of course some refreshing drinks. I hope you have all managed to secure your tickets – if not don't worry as you can book them [here](#).



## School Streets

We are so fortunate to have been granted School Street status last year which means we all enjoy a much more peaceful start and end of day as traffic is reduced outside the school. We rely on your support and as we all benefit I hope that everyone can help with this by volunteering to stand by the barrier at least a few times throughout the year. We would love it if more parents would join our volunteer group. If you are available to help out, please get in touch with the school office so that we can provide you with more information. Or sign up on this link. <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1m9OJUfPzfzscwiHjlunP-vJ8mMK-hsaUEmSCjLJ2UtU/edit>



## COVID19

Every family should have received a BWA Family Guide setting out the procedures in place at BWA to reduce the risk of the virus spreading within our school community. These procedures are in place because we want to ensure our education provision for every pupil is disrupted as little as possible. Please do read this guide if you haven't done so already.



## Communication

Our communication table should signpost you to the right person to deal with any queries you have, no matter how small or trivial you think they may be. I attach the communication table with this newsletter. It is also available on the school website, under [Contacts](#).

## Parent Forms

- If your child requires medication, you will need to complete a form online.
- If your child requires time out of school, you will need to complete a form online.
- If your child is allowed to go home alone, you will need to complete a form online.

These forms are available on the school website, under News, Parent Forms. A link is also [here](#).



### Curriculum Evenings

At the start of the year we offer parents the opportunity to attend a Curriculum Evening Presentation and encourage everyone to attend. During the presentation we will share key information about the year ahead – the curriculum, expectations, special events, systems and procedures etc.

Families with pupils in the English stream will have been sent a 'save the date' email today to share the following information. We will sent out ZOOM links and protocols nearer the time of the event.

Day	Year Group and Time	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 5 at 4pm	Year 6 at 5pm
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Year 3 at 5pm	Year 4 at 6pm
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Year 2 at 5:30pm	Year 1 at 6pm
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Reception at 5pm	Nursery at 6pm

Families in our bilingual stream will be sent dates out as soon as they have been agreed with EdW.



### Homework Expectations

Homework will be giving out from Monday. Letters will be sent out today setting out the homework expectations which I hope will be helpful for you. Please don't hesitate to ask if you require any help.



### Parent Teacher Meetings

Before half term we will offer every family the opportunity to meet with the class teacher to discuss how well your child has settled and how we can work effectively together to ensure they flourish. If you do want to speak to the class teacher before this, please don't hesitate to let them know. You can do this by emailing them through the admin email address or leaving a message by calling the school office.

### Wrap Around Care

We offer wrap around care through our school breakfast club and Young Stars. After school activities are also offered by [Kidoloisirs](#). We are currently working on offering more clubs which we will share with you shortly.



### **Nut Free School**

Please remember that we are a Nut Free site.



### **Prepared for the Day**

Please ensure your child has suitable clothing in school. Getting outside during this pandemic remains very important at BWA and we plan to have both PE and play outside in all weathers.

I wish you all a fabulous weekend.

**Miss Henry**