

3rd February Newsletter



supported by you raised the money needed to purchase these beautiful benches.

On Monday afternoon we took delivery of five stunning wooden benches for our outside space as part of our gardening project. You can see in these photographs they are placed between the flower beds on the beautiful paved areas around the sports court. Of course we would have been in this fortunate position without your support through our phenomenal PTA. The events that were organised and



We have ordered the greenhouse and are working on the plans for planting the new beds.

Next half term we will be calling on your good will to help us with a few much needed jobs as we work together to transform our outside space.



"If you are going to get anywhere in life, you have to read a lot of books."

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Book Wishlist

"A book is a dream that you hold in your hand" - Neil Gaman

As a school, we would like to thank you and your extended families for your generosity by buying books on the Amazon wish list and having them sent to us at BWA. We were delighted to receive packages containing brilliant books that have been added to class reading corners. You have given the children who read them the wonderful gift of escaping into a well told story. For that, we thank you.



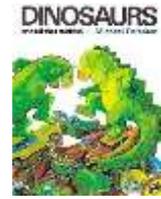
This week we have really enjoyed showing current parents around the school. If you would ever like to see BWA in action, please do contact the office as we would love to show you around.

This week pupils in our nursery have been learning about the important job Postal Workers do to help us and been busy junk modelling their own post boxes.



In RW this week they had a special delivery of dinosaur eggs. These eggs were made from ice and inside the pupils could see the baby dinosaur. They tried to figure out a way to retrieve the baby dinosaur, discovering that when the ice melts it gets easier to chip away to rescue the baby dinosaur. Pupils tried a variety of methods to find out which one melted the ice it faster from using their hands, putting the egg in the sun as well as putting it near a hot radiator. They carried out a great experiment.

This week pupils in Year 1S have been exploring the importance of recycling and looking after our planet. In Geography, they have been learning at all the ways the oceans are being harmed and what they can do to help reduce the impact. In English, they wrote non-fiction texts about how we can all look after the planet.



Pupils in 1B have been reading the story, 'Dinosaurs and all that rubbish' by Michael Foreman. The pupils could clearly articulate different types of pollution and had great ideas about how we could improve land, air and water pollution.



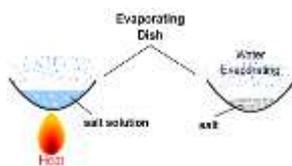
Year 2 have been very busy this week. Last Friday they were lucky to attend a special zoom workshop with non-other than Florence Nightingale. They learnt lots of facts about her amazing life and why she was such a significant historical character. They also had another virtual visit from Doctor Sally this week, who told the children what a day in the life of a medical professional is like. The pupils had lots of great questions for our visitor, including this from: 'Were you inspired by Florence Nightingale to become a doctor?'

This week, year 3 had their classrooms was transformed into Ancient Egyptian tombs. Pupils children searched for hidden artefacts and discussed what each of the objects revealed about life back then. It certainly got them in the mood for our trip to the British Museum today!



Year 4 have had a wonderful week exploring 'Shackleton's Journey'. They have worked very hard to create some really emotive and thoughtful diary entries from the point of view of a crew member on board 'Endurance' during their expedition in Antarctica.

Pupils in 4B have been learning about the role of stakeholders, such as the Mayor of London. They have also been exploring the British value of democracy in society and how we all have a voice that can be used to affect change and improvement in our environment. This has helped the pupils prepare for a Q&A session with our local MP next week. It has been wonderful to see our young citizens develop their understanding of how every person, no matter how young or old, has the chance to be a positive voice for change.



This week in science, Year 5 have been investigating how to make solutions and separate them again. Pupils have had to show great patience when mixing sugar and water while observing how the sugar dissolves. They also observed how to separate a salt water solution by evaporation. Pupils have really focused on refining their prediction and observation skills to discuss what is happening and why during these experiments.



This week, 5B took part in an online workshop provided by the Royal Observatory in Greenwich. They learnt fascinating facts about the Earth, the Sun and the Moon. Alongside exploring the relationship between all three and how our sense of time on our planet is connected to both the Sun and the Moon, pupils were given the opportunity to ask the experts questions. The depth and range of the questions posed showed what they understood and wanted to know more about.



This week Year 6, have been looking at how the Norman invasion in 1066 shaped the way Britain is today. Pupils explored how British laws, society, architecture and language have been influenced by the invasion and how, at the time, Britain may not have thought the invasion was a benefit but over time how it has impacted the nation we have today. Did you know that the word grammar comes from Norman English?



Our Year 6 pupils recently competed in the Wandsworth School Games Athletics Heats at Battersea Sports Centre, competing against five other local primary schools. They competed in a range of track and field athletics events, including team sprints, running and relay races, hurdles, soft javelin and long jump and triple jump. Sincere thanks to the parents who helped support us with this event.



BWA PTA VALENTINES DAY EVENTS - Friday 11th February

Next Friday we break up for the half term break. To mark the start of this holiday, pupils may come dressed in red or pink in exchange for a minimum donation of £1.

Valentines Bake Sale

After school we will hold our Valentine's Bake Sale from 3pm. There is no better way to start the holiday than with a sweet treat. Card and cash will be accepted.

We are calling for all bakers to help contribute towards our first sale of 2022 by making individual small cakes, brownies, cookies, muffins, cupcakes, bagels, rocky roads or doughnuts and of course please feel free to add a Valentine-twist. Please leave your donations with the PTA during the morning drop off on Friday morning. They will be opposite the blue car gate.



Child Illness

I thought this link may be helpful if you haven't seen it already. I hope it helps you make informed decisions about when your child can/should attend school if they are ill.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



COVID 19

Thank you for your support with reducing the risk of transmission within our school community. We ask that all families continue to adhere to the following expectations.

1. Families continue to do regular lateral flow tests at home to pick up asymptomatic cases.
2. Close contacts should do daily lateral flow tests as set out by the NHS guidance relevant at the time.
3. Pupils who test positive for COVID return after two days of negative lateral flow tests as set out by the NHS guidance relevant at the time. Results should be reported to the NHS as set out in the lateral flow test kit instructions.
4. Wear a mask when on the school site or in the line for drop off or collection.
5. No-one with symptoms should come onsite.



Excellent Learners

Congratulations to our Excellent Learners that were celebrated at our assembly on Monday.

<u>Excellent Learners</u> <u>Not Scared To Make Mistakes</u>			
Megan	RW	Ryan	3S
Leandro	Y1	Annie	4
Asmus	1B	Victor	4B
Zaira	2G	Emir	Y5
Duaa	2M	Sophie	5B
James	3M	Alexandra	Y6



Holiday dates

- Half term starts on Monday 14th February
- End of Spring term is Friday 1st April



Thank you for your continued support and challenge. We value hearing your constructive feedback and appreciate you taking time to share it with us.

Wishing you all a peaceful and very happy weekend.

Miss Henry