

5th May 2023

The King's
CORONATION
MAY 6, 2023



We have had the most glorious time this week celebrating the forthcoming coronation of King Charles III, which ended with a delightful PTA Art Exhibition on Thursday evening.

All pupils were invited to come to school dressed in red, white and blue or in keeping with the theme of 'Dress like a Royal'. The outfits were awesome.

Harrison Catering prepared a special 'Royal Celebration Lunch' for pupils which included popular party food items such as sandwiches, pizza fingers, sausage/cheese and onion rolls, vegetable sticks and jelly and ice cream. During the morning, pupils had a lesson exploring the history, symbolism and significance of the coronation and then completed a commemorative craft activity. In the afternoon we organised a carousel of activities for all pupils in both schools to enjoy in the playground. Sincere thanks to our PTA for helping us with the wonderful games pupils had the chance to play.

We also held a Cake competition – families were invited to show off their baking skills by making a cake 'fit for a king'. The cakes were wonderful and showed the creativity of families at BWA. Classes have enjoyed tasting the cakes this afternoon.

Miss Mirfakhraie and Miss Stevens organised this event for us and I am sure you will join me in thanking them for such making the occasion such a fantastic experience for our pupils and staff.

In the evening, parents and carers enjoyed a relaxing evening looking at the masterpieces pupils created to mark the coronation. Huge thanks to our amazing PTA who planned, with Mrs Hatcher, another wonderful event for us all to enjoy whilst raising money to fund an outdoor reading area for our pupils. Many hours were spend framing all of the art which was displayed beautifully. Thank you to the pupils and staff who worked so hard to create such excellent art work as well.



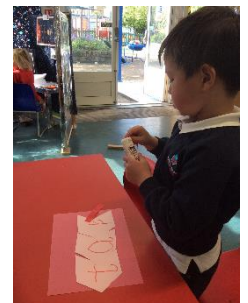
AMBITION

- the highest expectations of what all children can achieve
- expanding horizons though research and sharing of best practice

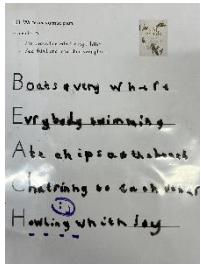


This week, pupils in our Nursery have been using their wonderful Phonics skills to practice writing CVC words to create a word rocket. Look at the accuracy in this photograph – very impressive.

Pupils have also been very creative, using their junk modelling skills to build rockets of their own. They told me they would be super, super fast ones – and I could tell that they certainly would be.



In RW, our pupils have been investigating the floating and sinking of objects. They tested different objects to see if they would float or sink in the water tray before recording which objects sank or floated. Using the information they collected, pupils could start to spot patterns between the different objects that sank and discussed the reasons why.



Year 1 have been writing acrostic poems this week in the style of the book, *The Lost Words*. They worked together with their learning partner to construct lines describing all the different features of the seaside and beach.

Pupils in 1B loved creating their art work of royal corgis and discovering more about King Charles III and the importance of the coronation happening this weekend. The detail of their artwork was very impressive. You could clearly see the effort they put into the size of their drawing, the features of a corgi and the colouring of the fur, to make their art work realistic.

I know they will be cherished pieces of art in their family homes.

Year 2 and 2B enjoyed a very special workshop run by The Chocolate Museum, linked to their learning on *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl. They learnt about the history of chocolate before a tasting and making session. Pupils sampled cocoa nibs, melted cocoa butter in their hands, compared lime and chili flavoured chocolates before making their own chocolates to take home. There were lots of delighted faces in Year 2.



The fun did not stop there for Year 2 as pupils as they walked over to Belleville Meteor to see Mo O'harah, author of the popular 'Agent Moose' series. Pupils had a go at creating a super-villain and asked lots of relevant questions about how to write a graphic novel.

This week, Y4 have began their new English topic on 'El Deafo', a graphic novel investigating what can make one little girl feel very different, can actually become her super power. Year 4 have become very excited to explore how she is using her lack of hearing to make her school an incredible place to be.



Year 5's highlight of this short week has been arriving back to class to see their caterpillars in pupas. The children have been observing the changes as they go through metamorphosis and will now study the chrysalis stage closely over the next week.

Year 6 will sit their KS SATS next week and we wish them the very best of luck in these tests.



Pupils in 3M and 3S worked with our resident artists. Their work focussed on the animal kingdom through drawing and sculpture with a link to their history topic, the Stone Age to Iron Age. Pupils first learnt about an extinct turtle from the Stone Age, examined the creature's structure in 2D and then went on to create a 3D sculpture out of clay.



The clay models of their turtles are brilliant. Well done Year 3.



During our EYFS & KS1 PE Games lessons this week, pupils continued to develop their striking, fielding and catching skills. Our phrase of the week was 'flower hands' as you can see this young man demonstrating here. Make sure you ask your child to show you as we have been quite impressed.

In KS2 pupils are starting to move into cricket game play. They used cricket bats for the first time this year which they loved. Using the skills they have learnt already, pupils could play games like continuous cricket.

Excellent Learners

Congratulations to all our Excellent Learners this week.

<u>Excellent Learners</u> Want To Learn More			
Zailah	RW	Olive	3S
Camille R	1B	Dexter	4A
Fayrouz	Y1	Lyla	4W
Felix	Y2	Theo	5B
Aziz	2B	Milo	Y5
Adam	3M	Charlie	Y6

Dates to Remember



- **Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III – 8th May** is a Bank Holiday so no school for any pupil on this day.
- **Half term – week beginning Monday 29th May**

I wish you all a joyous Coronation Bank Holiday weekend.

Miss Henry

Help for Households

The Money and Pensions Service (MaPS) which is an arm's-length body sponsored by the Department for Work and Pensions offers free and impartial guidance to help people to make the best with their money and pensions. Please use this link to access the information. [Help with the cost of living | MoneyHelper](#)

MoneyHelper have just included a Benefits calculator to help people know the list of the benefits they could qualify for and how they can claim them. <https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en/benefits/benefits-calculator>.



LA Support Offer

You can access a broader range of information related to cost of living concerns via their website www.wandsworth.gov.uk/cost-of-living-hub/



The Government has launched the '[Help for Households](#)' scheme. The homepage brings together over 40 support schemes that the public can access, depending on eligibility, including help with:

Household costs

- Energy Bills
- Childcare costs
- Income support
- Transport costs

Additionally, a range of online tools will help citizens quickly and efficiently check the support they might be eligible for and how to access it.