



BWA Newsletter

Wix's Lane, Clapham Common North Side, London SW4 0AJ

17 October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are so fortunate to have a wide range of specialist teachers at BWA, offering our pupils rich and varied learning experiences. I particularly enjoyed watching Year 3 in their gym lesson yesterday as I could see how focused they were in developing their gymnastics skills. Our Nursery pupils have been following instructions beautifully in their dance lessons with Mr Hennessy and it was a real joy to see their enthusiasm. Year 4 were also full of excitement as they headed off to their swimming lesson this week.

Thank you to everyone who joined in the fun and dressed up today for Halloween Dress Up day. A huge thank you also to our parents for their generous support with the bake sale. The cakes looked (and tasted) fantastic, and every penny raised will go towards enhancing the provision for all our pupils.

This week pupils have had their individual photographs taken, along with class photos for our English stream. Our bilingual class photos will take place after half term. Pupils have been sent home with the QR codes for you to see the photographs.

We look forward to welcoming parents of pupils in our English stream for Parent Teacher meetings next week.

I wish you all a very happy and fun-filled weekend.

Séana Henry
Headteacher

Important dates:

Last day of Autumn Term 1: Friday 24 October

Autumn half term: Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October Inset Day:

INSET Day (English Stream): Monday 3 November – school closed to children

First day of Autumn Term 2 (Bilingual Stream): Monday 3 November

First day of Autumn Term 2 (English Stream): Tuesday 4 November

Full term dates for both streams are [available on our website](#).

Important information:

- Please ensure your child has **suitable clothing in school**. We have PE and play outside in all weathers.
- Please remember that we are a **Nut Free School**.
- Our [communication table](#) should help with any queries you have.

Excellent Learners

Congratulations to this week's Excellent Learners.

Class	Pupil
RB	Sebastian
RB	French Week
Y1	Kitty
1B	Eliott
Y2	Abigail
2B	Manel
Y3	Agathe
3B	Samay
Y4	Noa
4B	French Week
Y5	Tomasso
5B	French Week
Y6	Adam
6B	Chloe
6B	

Care Values

Congratulations to this week's CARE Value Stars.

Class	Pupil
RM	Inaaya
RB	French Week
Y1	Oscar
1B	Kiara
Y2	Isabella
2B	Olympe
Y3	Mia
3B	Sophia
Y4	Tom
4B	French Week
Y5	Harrison
5B	French Week
Y6	Oskar
6B	Elise

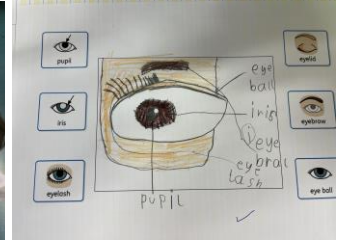
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Our Week – Early Years and Key Stage 1

This week, pupils in **Nursery** have been learning all about sharing and working together. It's been lovely to see the pupils taking turns, communicating, and working together during their play. They've also created some fantastic mark-making contributions for our class paper chain, proudly sharing their work to help build it as a team.



Reception pupils have had fun learning about the numbers 1-5 and making their number worlds each day from items in our class. They enjoyed reading *Everybody's Welcome* and discussing being a considerate friend. During the afternoons, the pupils have enjoyed exploring artists such as Jean-Michel Basquiat and replicating his art to celebrate Black History Month.

In Science this week, **Year 1** pupils have been learning about one of their five senses – sight. They had lots of fun using mirrors to look closely at their own eyes and identify different parts such as the pupil, iris, eyebrow, and eyelashes. For their independent work, the pupils enjoyed creating detailed drawings of eyes, showing what they had learned. The pupils have loved learning about the senses this term, and they're looking forward to finishing the unit next week by learning all about the final sense – touch.

It's been a busy week in **1B**. Their focus text for the week has been *Peanut Goes For The Gold* and the pupils have been continuing to work on their imaginative recounts by choreographing a routine for Peanut and writing out the steps. They have been challenging themselves to use the -ed suffix with their verbs. In maths, the pupils have been exploring number bonds using Part-Whole Models. It's been great to see the class using their mathematical language and problem-solving skills to navigate tricky number problems. I have loved seeing their dimensional teddy bear drawings they drew during their Art lessons with Miss Hatcher. The stunning art shows off their incredible shading skills.



Pupils in **Year 2** started their double-page spreads on their science topic, Habitats. They showed great creativity, filling their pages with colourful drawings and fascinating facts. They explored a variety of environments, from oceans to deserts. We were really impressed by their enthusiasm and effort.

Our pupils in **2B** have had a fantastic week writing. They have written a character description about one of the crayons from *The Day the Crayons Quit*. They used their imagination to think about how the crayons felt as well as using adjectives and expanded noun phrases in their writing. The pupils also looked at writing their own letter as a crayon which they all thoroughly enjoyed.

Our Week – Key Stage 2

Year 3 have had a wonderful week. They have particularly enjoyed researching and creating posters about the extreme weather conditions that some countries face. They loved presenting them to the class. Well done Year 3.



This week in **Year 4**, our pupils were very lucky to have Mr Goodgame come in and teach computing. Using their own Chromebooks, pupils completed a range of activities to boost their confidence and enhance their understanding of the devices and how they can be used best to support their learning. It was excellent to see the pupils' abilities improve in just one lesson and they're very excited to use these devices in their learning too.



Year 5 have been stepping into the shoes of a teabag, preparing to write a diary-style recount inspired by the short film *Brew-Tali-Tea*. They explored the thoughts and emotions of being either the dreaded chosen teabag or a relieved onlooker, using imagination and empathy to bring their writing to life.

This week, our **Year 6** pupils attended a workshop run by TFL to ensure that they're prepared for safe, independent travel to secondary school next year.

6B pupils have finished their Fieldwork and Mapping topic in Geography and have been working hard on their double-page spreads to highlight everything they have been learning about.





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Sports News – Goal-Setting Fun!

Exciting news from the sports field! Mr. Hennessy has been busy getting the pupils ready for the new football season by building brand-new football goals using plastic pipes. These homemade goals are already proving a big hit, and the pupils have been enjoying using them during break times and PE lessons. They'll also come in handy as the pupils begin training for upcoming tournaments. Get ready for the Sports Council's penalty shootout challenges – perfect for practising those sharp-shooting skills.



French Update

This year, BWA will be participating in the [Foreign Language Primary Bee](#), a competition which gives pupils in Years 5 and 6 the opportunity to practise and improve their vocabulary, pronunciation and memory skills in French.

Over the past couple of weeks, pupils have started learning the words for the first stage of the competition which will take place at the end of the autumn term. We look forward to sharing updates as the year progresses.



Wandsworth Family Information Service has many resources available to help **support families with children and young people with SEND**. To find out more about the Local Offer for 0 – 25 year olds with special educational needs or disabilities, please [visit their website](#).

Term Dates – English Stream

Autumn Term 2025

Inset Days: Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 September - school closed to children
First day of Autumn 1: Wednesday 3 September
Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 24 October
Autumn half term: Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October
Inset Day: Monday 3 November – school closed to children
First day of Autumn 2: Tuesday 4 November
Last day of Autumn 2: Friday 19 December
Holidays: 20 December – 4 January

Inset Day: Monday 5 January – school closed to children.
First day of Spring 1: Tuesday 6 January

Term Dates – Bilingual Stream

Autumn Term 2025

Inset Days: Monday 1, Tuesday 2 September and Wednesday 3 September - school closed to children
First day of Autumn 1: Thursday 4 September
Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 24 October
Autumn half term: Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October
First day of Autumn 2: Monday 3 November
Last day of Autumn 2: Friday 19 December
Holidays: 20 December – 4 January

First day of Spring 1: Monday 5 January

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