

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

9th May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great week of learning at BWA this week, next week our Year 6 pupils will sit their KS2 SATs and we wish them the very best of luck in these exams.

You have been sent a letter setting out our plans for International Families Day on **Thursday 22nd May**, to celebrate our diverse and international family community. We are hosting a range of events during the school day and after school. I do hope that you can support us in our efforts to make this a really memorable and enjoyable experience for all. Please do not be shy, we would really value you coming in to talk about your culture and heritage. The buffet is always a huge success as you have traditionally been so generous.

Wishing you all a very peaceful weekend.

Séana Henry

Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Year 6 SATS week: Monday 12 – Thursday 15 May.

Summer half term: Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May.

Year 4 and Year 5 Secondary Transfer Event: Monday 9 Ju at Belleville Primary School's Webb's Road site.

Last day of Summer Term (Bilingual stream): Wednesday 16 July.

Last day of Summer Term 2 (English stream): Tuesday 22 July at 1.45pm.

Full term dates are available on our website.

Important information:

- Please ensure your child has suitable clothing in school and sunscreen. We have PE and play outside in all weathers.
- Please remember that we are a Nut Free School.
- Please use <u>this NHS guidance</u> to help you make decisions about whether your child should attend school or stay at home when ill.
- Our <u>communication table</u> should signpost you to the right person to deal with any queries you have.

Excellent Learners

Congratulations to our Excellent Learners this week.

Class	Pupil
RA	Anna
RB	Kiara
Y1	Elijah
1B	
Y2	Xaraejah
2B	Louisa
Y3	Leo
3B	Zara
Y4	Harrison
4B	
Y5	Martha
5B	Gabriel
Y6	Marco
6B	

Care Values

Congratulations to our CARE Value Stars this week.

Class	Pupil
RA	Chloe.S
RB	Heidi
Y1	Eugenia
1B	
Y2	Ginevra
2B	Oliver.H
Y3	Willow
3B	Cesar
Y4	Harvey-Ray
4B	
Y5	Kali
5B	Chloe
Y6	Cashun
6B	





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Our Week - Early Years and Key Stage 1

This week, pupils in our **Nursery** have continued their focus on space, with the main theme being rockets! They have learned how rockets work, what the different parts of a rocket are called and have even tried their hand at making their very own rockets out of toilet roll. In literacy, pupils have been making word rockets using their learned sounds - our clever Nursery class spelt d-o-g and s-a-t all by themselves!











Aaaargh! This week was Pirate Week for the pupils in both **Reception and RB**. Pupils dressed up as pirates and went on a pirate adventure around the school, following a map that Fred had. They loved using the Now Press Play resource with headphones to participate in an interactive Pirate story. Everyone enjoyed climbing the rigging and comparing how ships have changed over time, as well as developing their descriptive language to explain where they had hidden their treasure. Our pupils were inspired to draw their own maps and add additional detail. In RB, it was wonderful when a child brought a map in from home and confidently stood in front of the class giving clear the instructions to find the treasure with excellent detail.











This week in **Year 1**, our pupils had a fantastic time taking part in a jungle-themed drama workshop. The children imagined they were snakes slithering through the jungle, crocodiles looking for food, and monkeys swinging in the trees. Pupils went on an exciting adventure to find a mysterious snow leopard, and everyone really enjoyed expressing themselves creatively through acting.

Year 2 took part in a drama workshop about the world around us this week. They all thoroughly enjoyed pretending to be different wild animals by using their bodies and enjoyed hearing the different stories of the animals. Pupils have written an invitation to Willy Wonka's chocolate factory and invented a new chocolate bar in English. In **2B**, pupils have continued reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. They have read how Charlie found the final golden ticket and wrote a diary entry from his perspective.



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Our Week - Key Stage 2

Year 3 had a wonderful week. The highlight was their learning time with our resident artist, Mrs Hatcher. Pupils were challenged to draw without planning ahead. They responded to the sounds of Bach, Vivaldi, Gershwin (and a little Taylor Swift). Our pupils learnt to move the pencil with purpose but also in response to what they heard and felt at the time. Following some experimentation with drawing





techniques based on the art of Joan Miró, pupils created a wonderful final piece.

3B have been learning about how we see things and sources of light. They learnt that we need a bit of sun for vitamin D, but also how important it is to keep ourselves safe from sunburn, overheating and blindness by wearing sun cream and sunglasses, as well as the need to drink water or stay in the shade.

This half term in **Year Four**, pupils have been learning about pilgrimages in REW. They looked at different religions and the pilgrimages they take. With the Vatican City being in the news lately, it helped pupils learn even more about why people visit holy places. It's been great to see how everyone is making links to things they've already learned. We've also been really impressed with how respectful, curious, and interested the children are when learning about other people's beliefs and cultures.

This week in **Year 5**, pupils have been learning about the vital role of the Amazon Rainforest and why it's often called the "lungs of the Earth." Our pupils explored how it supports life on our planet and were especially engaged in discussions about its incredible biodiversity.

In History this week, **5B** have been learning about the British Civil War. To help explore both sides of the conflict, the class was split into two teams—one supporting Parliament and the other supporting the King. They held a lively debate where everyone took part. Pupils shared thoughtful and balanced opinions, showing a great understanding of the topic and excellent teamwork. It was a joyful and interesting experience that made learning about history even more engaging.

In **Year 6**, our pupils been working hard in preparation for SATs Week, which is just around the corner. Their focus has been on strengthening any areas of difficulty and closing the final gaps in knowledge to ensure everyone feels confident and ready. Our pupils have shown great determination and focus during this time, approaching their learning with maturity and a real sense of purpose. We're incredibly proud of the effort they're putting in as they prepare for this important milestone. We're wishing them all the very best for next week.