



# Belleville Wix Academy

## 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022 Newsletter



Another glorious week of learning together comes to an end. We have all enjoyed looking after the chicks that have brought us so much joy. RW did a fantastic job at looking after them to ensure they all hatched and had a great start to life. It has been great to see every pupil model our CARE values so well.

Nursery pupils enjoyed holding the chicks and made sure that they were very gentle with them. They learnt a little about the life cycle of a chicken.



Pupils in RW were so fortunate to go on an educational visit today to Barnes Literature Festival because their Star Author, Sue Hendra and illustrator Paul Linnet, were reading their new children's novel. What a phenomenal experience. Everyone sat sensibly with their partner on the bus and had their listening ears on throughout the talk - well done RW! I hope you received the information I sent out information about the [Barnes Literacy Festival](#).

This week pupils in RB have been learning about animals from around the world, as part of their new topic - Looking After Our World. They have learnt that animals live in different habitats and some have specific adaptations that allow them to survive in hot or cold places. Pupils have also created wonderful African sunset pictures by blending colours and designed a 'mixed up' animal with a range of features, using their imagination.

Pupils in Year 1 have been showing excellent learning in their Maths lessons all about volume and capacity. The pupils had an opportunity to explore different volumes of containers and learned that units can be used as a measurement tool for capacity. Another great week of learning in Year 1.



Pupils in Year 2 enjoyed a fun and interactive ICT session where they learnt how to make animations. Their partner work was excellent and they created some very fun short animations. 2M and 2G were also lucky to visit the recently hatched chicks in RW and had a brilliant time observing and handling the new arrivals, as part of their Science topic on Life Cycles.

3B have been excited to learn more about the natural world and how to care for it as part of their RE unit. They went outside and sketched a variety of natural things like ladybirds, leaves and flowers that made them stop and think how awesome our world is. A short debate then followed about whether or not one could own natural things, with divided opinions and prompted excellent reasoning for both sides of the debate.

This week in English, pupils in Year 3 have been enjoying doing research on different Mediterranean countries in preparation for writing their own Lonely Planet style travel guides. It has definitely put everyone in the mood for a holiday in the sunshine.

A highlight for Year 4 this week has definitely been going swimming every day. Pupils have already made noticeable progress and have loved being in the water, learning to float and how to effectively kick their legs.



This week, Year 5 enjoyed putting their creativity into their art work. The pupils created nature based lino prints. They had to use precision and patience to ensure their designs were perfect for the printing. Great work Year 5.



This week Year 6 enjoyed expert instruction from our art specialists and loved designing and creating their ideas in their new sketch books. They looked at the work of Gabriele Münter who was a German expressionist painter. The pupils explored four different mediums in four different pieces which come together to form one big scene. The classroom in Year 6 will definitely look brighter for the remainder of the half term.

6B have been asking excellent questions in their History topic of World War II. The pupils have been using sources to investigate why the war began and have started to organise events in chronological order.



### **Sports Day Dates for 2022**

We are thrilled to share the dates of our sports day for this school year. These will take place on Clapham Common, near the end of Jedburgh Street. More details will follow closer to the time but I wanted you to have the dates and times as we hope you will be able to join us for the events.

#### **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 9:30am – 12:00pm**

- Years 2 & 3 (2G, 2M, 2B, 3M, 3S, 3B)

#### **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 13:00pm – 3:30pm**

- Years 4, 5 & 6 (Y4, 4B, Y5, 5B, Y6, 6B)

Parents and carers are asked to collect pupils from the common at 3:30pm (pupils not collected from the common will walk back to school with their class teacher to be collected from school at 4pm)

#### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July: 9:15am – 11:15am**

- Year 1 and Reception (RW, RB, Y1, 1B)

**Nursery** – will be on the school site. Date and time tbc.

## Parent Gym

On Wednesday we held our final Parent Gym session for this school year. The parents who attended really found the sessions so beneficial. We hope to secure this provision for next year so if you missed the chance do keep an eye out for the next offer.

## Clean Air Day 2022

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June, Belleville Wix Academy celebrated Clean Air Day. Following on from last year's successes, we are continuing our pledge to improve the air quality for our school community. Each class has some activities to do and a lesson to teach them about the importance of Clean Air. We also had a brilliant assembly run by two of our fantastic parents to real help the children understand the importance of making a change, no matter how small. Thank you all for supporting this event and making the environment around our school a better place.



### Excellent Learners

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

<b>Excellent Learners Can learn by themselves</b>			
Leo	RW	Benjamin	3S
Dorra	RB	Leona	3B
Aymeric	Y1	Layla	Y4
Elsa	1B	James	4B
Leo	2G	Sienna	Y5
Mardiyah	2M	Arthur G	5B
Arthur	2B	Callum	Y6
Riccardo	3M	Lina	6B



### **Holiday dates**

- Our Bilingual stream finish school on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July.
- Our English Stream finish school on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July. School will close on this day at the following times for pupils.

<b>Time</b>	<b>1902 gate</b>	<b>Blue gate</b>
<b>12:40pm</b>	Nursery	
<b>12:50pm</b>	RW	
<b>1:00pm</b>	Year 1	
<b>1:15pm</b>	Year 3	Year 2
<b>1:30pm</b>	Year 4 and Year 5	
<b>1:45pm</b>	Year 6	

If there is anything we can do to help you or improve what we offer, please don't hesitate to get in contact with me through the admin email. Our invitation to show you around the school is an open one as we start the summer 2 term – we would love to show you the school in action.

Wishing you all a fabulous weekend.

Miss Henry

Headteacher