

## Weekly Newsletter 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020

We have all had another wonderful week at BWA. It has been a joy to hear of the phenomenal work pupils are doing at home and in the hubs. Well done everyone.



Some restrictions may be easing but we are still living through a pandemic. The government advice is that we should minimise the number of social interactions we have as this will help slow down the spread of the virus. I am rather concerned at the number of social interactions we both see and hear about amongst the households within our school community. This link just popped into my email - it may be helpful for families to know what can and can't be done.

[https://www.gov.uk/guidance/meeting-people-from-outside-your-household?utm\\_source=d3e59ba9-98e8-478e-b18f-ab0b168c6807&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm\\_content=immediate](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/meeting-people-from-outside-your-household?utm_source=d3e59ba9-98e8-478e-b18f-ab0b168c6807&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate)

Please may I ask you to be cautious of the number of social interactions outside of school so that within our school community we are doing all we can to minimise the risk of any one of us contracting the virus. We have pupils and staff who live within vulnerable households who want to come to school however as the risk increases they are feeling very fearful of this. In the last 5 days we have closed 60% of our year 1 hubs – not virus related but still a significant % that will inevitably increase as we all return to school in September.

### Keeping BWA a safe place for everyone

1. Washing school clothes daily will stop the spread of the virus
2. Reducing the number of social interaction you have
3. No resources to be shared between home and school



### Reports

Teachers are busy finalising the end of year reports for every pupil at BWA. These will be emailed to every family by the class teacher before we close and there will an opportunity for parents and carers to discuss the report with the class teacher during the weekly call, week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> July.



### Yr 4 Poetry Slam

As part of the English Home learning for this week, Year 4 have had the very exciting opportunity to compete in a Poetry Slam across all schools within the Quality First Education Trust. The children at Belleville Wix had to plan, write and then record themselves performing their poems and upload them to Seesaw. Their peers then watched each other's poems, left feedback and voted for their favourite poem within their class. The children's kind words was a lovely thing to observe. It was a very close competition. Congratulations to our BWA winners:

Year 4 –Jovany

Year 4B - Kaloyan

The video of each class winner was viewed by all the year 4 children, within the trust, to determine the overall winner for the Q1E 2020 Poetry Slam.

### POETRY Yr 6 Poetry Slam

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Year 6 had the amazing opportunity to have a virtual poetry workshop with Karl Nova this week. Karl Nova has previously won the CLPE Poetry award and his book, 'Rhythm and Poetry' has been very popular amongst Year 6 this week. The children wrote their own versions of his poems and were able to ask him lots of questions about his fantastic career. We would like to thank Karl Nova for taking the time to talk to us - we smiled and laughed throughout this awesome learning experience.



### Excellent Learners at Home and in Hubs

Now that some year groups are back at school, we continue to have our Excellent Learner assemblies for all pupils. All videos are posted on the school website.



### Year 2 Class Meet

Year 2 had their very first *Talking Together* session on Tuesday this week. Miss Bevin and Mr Millington met the class altogether on Zoom. It was so lovely seeing everyone's happy faces at home after three months. The children all shared something they were proud of that they produced during lockdown. Everyone has worked so hard during home learning so it was hard to choose the work they were most proud of because there were so many options. We can't wait for our second meeting next week and there are plans to roll this out to the year groups not currently back at school.



### Year 2 Class Blog

Year 2 have started using the new blog feature on Seesaw. On this blog, children are able to share particular work that they are proud of, with their classmates. Children are also able to see the work that is shared and comment on it. We have had some very positive comments so far from children in Year 2 and they are really enjoying seeing their friends' work.



## **2020 Virtual Sports Day**

Unfortunately, we didn't get to do a traditional sports day this year, but so many of you competed in the Q1E Virtual Sports Day. We are so proud of all of you who long jumped, target threw, ran and bounced your way to the silver medal. Thank you to all of our parents and carers who made it possible. Hopefully we'll be back on Clapham Common next year.

## **Bolingbroke Academy Open Morning – Autumn Term**

Bolingbroke Academy have taken the decision to move their Open Day to a virtual event via Microsoft Teams on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Details and link to register are on their website ([www.arkbolingbrokeacademy.org](http://www.arkbolingbrokeacademy.org)) and there will be a chance for applicants to see the school safely in 2021.

I wish you all a very peaceful weekend and good health.

**Miss Henry**