



# Belleville Wix Academy

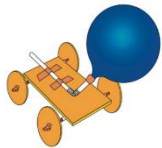
## Weekly Newsletter 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

It has been a wonderful week at BWA. Seeing our pupils so focused on their learning and wanting to be the best learner they can be is a true delight. Read about some of the highlights of our week together below.



### Year 2 Special Book

Last week, I told you that 2SB had written a book for me. It was safely delivered this week and I have thoroughly enjoyed reading their recounts of On Sudden Hill. Each writer carefully thought about their audience to ensure the recount they wrote was informative and entertaining. I was also super impressed with the beautiful presentation. Well done parents for helping your child practise their handwriting during the partial closure of BWA. It is clear they have had great support from you. Thank you.



### Year 5 Science

It is a joy to have our year 5 pupils back. They have grown so much. One of my highlights was seeing their focus and teamwork during some science lessons. First they investigated the impact of friction on the movement of a car and then using the facts they had learnt, they built their own moving vehicle using cardboard, cardboard wheels, wooden axels, a balloon and straws. They then used air in a balloon to power the cars so they could test their performance on different surfaces. Their cars performed better on smooth, flat surfaces than on rougher, uneven surfaces. We definitely have some car designers in this class!



### Year 6 lesson on Charles Darwin's journey theory of evolution

I can't quite believe the pupils in year 6 are the oldest in the school – how time has flown by. They are being great role models for the younger pupils as we all adapt to our new protocols in school to keep each other safe. This week, they learned about Charles Darwin's journey theory of evolution and investigated which bird's 'beak' (made from household objects) was best at picking up different foods.



### Hello Yellow day

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October is World Mental Health Day. We are very aware of how important good mental health is, especially during the current climate, so we have decided to take part in #helloyellow next Friday, the 9<sup>th</sup> October. Pupils are invited to come into school wearing their yellow finery in return for making a suggested donation of £1.00. Miss Fisher and Miss Hardy will be on the school gates collecting the money which will then go to support the incredible work of Young Minds. Let us be the sunshine everybody so needs to see in the world right now. We hope you find some time to do something peaceful for yourself on this day, and every day.



### Parent Teacher Contact

We know that contact with teachers is at a minimum at the end of the school day and how important this time is just to say hello, ask a question or pass on a message. Many of you have been sending emails to the staff. Please do continue to email with essential enquires. You will be delighted to know that we have scheduled Parents Teacher Meetings for the week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> October, for English stream classes only. More details will follow soon.



### PTA

Last Saturday, I had a great meeting with members of our fabulous PTA, and some very generous parents, to look at how we can improve the outside space and have access to it no matter what the weather. I would like to thank everyone involved for giving up their time to talk options through. Watch this space!



### A few housekeeping bits

#### Healthy Packed Lunch

- Remember our website has information about what to include in a healthy packed lunch.

#### Dressing for the weather

- Please ensure pupils are coming to school suitably dressed for the weather. We all know how important it is to get out in the fresh air during this pandemic.

#### Birthday Treats

- Thank you for completing the survey about your views on birthday treats.

#### Remote Learning

- Every family has received reminders to check access to Seesaw and MNP online. I would encourage you to check this if you haven't already as you will need access should your child, their bubble or our school need to self-isolate with little or no notice. If you have any problems please do double check your emails for the details, even your junk folder, and then let us know if you still can't get on.



### Daily Morning Checklist - reduce the transmission rate

Please remember that your child should bring in everything they need for the day when you drop them off at the start of the day.



### BWA – the 3<sup>rd</sup> most popular primary school in Wandsworth this year

As a staff team we don't underestimate the privilege it is to learn with your child every day and spend so much time with them. We work tirelessly to ensure every pupil flourishes at BWA so it was an absolute delight to read that we were the third most popular primary school in Wandsworth this year. Please see this wonderful news in the link below. Thank you for spreading the word

about our fabulous school.

<https://www.mylondon.news/news/south-london-news/schools-parents-admissions-open-days-19021847>

Wishing you all a calm and peaceful weekend. Thank you for your continued support and challenge.

Miss Henry

### EXCELLENT LEARNERS ASK QUESTIONS

Veronica	1M	Teddy	2G	Vinnie	Y3	Eliott	4B	Shalom	Y6
Elliot	1W	Ella-Mai	2SB	Jess C	Y4	Brooke	Y5	Max	6B