



Belleville Wix Academy

Weekly Newsletter 4th December 2020



My goodness I can't believe it is December already and that we have just two weeks left of this autumn term. It truly has been a brilliant term and I know the last two weeks will be the same.

EYFS



Our Nursery and Reception children are coming to the end of their first term at school and I think they have settled in so well at BWA. Seeing them skip into school each morning is an absolute joy. What doesn't feel so great is knowing they will not perform their first Christmas nativity at school this year. They are however producing something special for all parents to watch. I know this doesn't make up for watching a live performance but I know it will become a very special memory and milestone.



Amazon Wish List

Throughout the week we have had the most amazing experience opening new books and reading them to the children in the EYFS and KS1. You really make such a difference by purchasing these books for us. Thank you so much.

Please can I put a request out for families of pupils in KS2 classes – they would just love some new books to read. I have kept the links at the end of this email for your convenience if you would like to have a look.



Miss Fisher and Miss Hardy have been jumping for joy as they have worked with RB on their phonics trackers this week. The children have made so much progress with their reading, writing and phonics knowledge - thank you parents for supporting at home. RB celebrated their success by putting the Christmas tree up in the classroom a little bit earlier this year!



RW have been learning all about space, they saw a picture that Tom took at the weekend of a spaceship and aliens in their classroom and our school. Using this as inspiration, and with Tom's help, the children designed their own space setting and produced some amazing, descriptive pieces of writing.



This week in 1W and 1M we took part in their first Design and Technology day. They want to invite Miss Fisher and Miss Hawes to their class cafe, so decided to learn how to make a triple decker sandwich to entice them to go.

After learning how to maintain a healthy and balanced diet, they planned which ingredients to use before making their own sandwiches. Once they had tasted them they evaluated their taste, appearance and texture. Everyone went home with full bellies on Tuesday!



Year 2 have been inspired by Joan Miro this term. The children used marker pens to create their figures freely and playfully - interpreting Miro's style. Dreamy water coloured backgrounds were created and then the children used simple shapes and well-known Miro motifs to place on top of the background.



3B have been working hard by doing their very best in assessments this week. They also loved learning about the fierce warrior Boadicea in History lessons. I also had the pleasure of hearing them in music this week – they sounded beautiful. Miss Hurford is so pleased with their progress over the years. Well done 3B, another fabulous week of learning with Miss Malinowski.



During Art this week, 5B were introduced to an artist called James Castle. Despite being born deaf and, as an adult, unable to read or write, James Castle is widely regarded as a major 20th Century artist who specialised in using found materials to make representations of his life in a small North American community. Investigating Castle's work sparked a particularly mature debate in class around whether or not one needs to be artistically trained to become an artist. The way in which the children expressed their opinions and defined what art actually is was a pleasure to witness. Could the next Andy Warhol currently be studying in Belleville Wix?

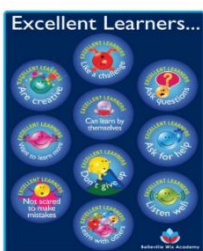


Festive Friday

Wow – what an amazing morning we had today. Thank you for your kind donations for the local foodbank, all dressed up looking fabulous for school after a wonderful week of learning. It is truly appreciated.

For next week, **Friday 11th December**, we will be supporting the Wandsworth Foodbank next week who are also really struggling to meet demand. Below you will find the list of items they are most in need of.

TINNED VEGETABLES	PACKETS OF NUTS OR CRACKERS FOR CHEESE	LAUNDRY TABLETS
TINNED POTATOES	4-PACKS OF TOILET ROLL	HANDSOAP
TINNED CUSTARD	CAN OPENERS (NOT FOOD BUT REALLY IMPORTANT!)	WASHING UP LIQUID



Congratulations to our Excellent Learners this week

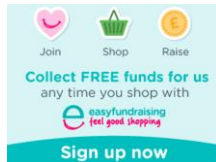
EXCELLENT LEARNERS CAN LEARN BY THEMSELVES							
Elanora	1M		Kj	2SB		Arianne	Y4
Sophie	1W		Ibrahima	Y3		Aaron	Y6
Lyla	2G						

End of Term
(early finish)

Last day of term - finish time for English Stream pupils only

As you know the pupils in the English stream finish in the early afternoon at the end of the term. Below are the finish times for the year groups. Details about collection will be sent to you.

12:45	13:00	13:05	13:15	13:20	13:25	13:30
Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3 & 4	Year 5	Year 6



PTA Easy Shopping

I hope you don't mind me reminding you that you could be helping the school doing your everyday or Christmas shopping. Your support with this is much appreciated.



Christmas Cards at BWA

To ensure we have the opportunity to send our Christmas wishes to friends at BWA this year, we have agreed the following to ensure we do this as safely as we can.

Thursday 10th December – Friday 11th December	All Christmas cards to be brought in to school – the teacher will have a box ready for the children to place their cards into in the classroom.
Thursday 17th December	After at least 5 days of quarantine, the cards will be given out using gloves and pupils will take these home.

Wishing you all a happy and peaceful weekend.

Miss Henry

Amazon Wish List Links

Nursery: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3HJ2KRP5RLZDV?ref=wl_share

Reception: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1A4YQD69XQ49T?ref=wl_share

Year 1: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/RL9YEBFXZYR3?ref=wl_share

Year 2: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3IS60PP9ADQUF?ref=wl_share

Year 3: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1BH0VM9654NYE?ref=wl_share

Year 4: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3CGTP3QQWKG5P?ref=wl_share

Year 5: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2AUTAXXSNCFK4?ref=wl_share

Year 6: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1ANNGW9Y5MRR4?ref=wl_share

Easy Fundraising



Turn everyday shopping into free funds for our school by using easyfundraising (FREE). Signing up is quick and easy, all you need to do is to sign up following the steps below.

Step 1

- Visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> and search for a cause: Belleville Wix PTA

Step 2

- Click to support this cause (Belleville Wix PTA) <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bellevillewix>

Step 3

- Create an account with easyfundraising.
- It takes a matter of minutes and is COMPLETELY FREE

Step 4

- After registering add the easyfundraising's donate button as well as the shopping functions (OR download the app).
- There are no set up fees or commission when collecting direct donations from parents.

There are over 4,100 retailers to choose from including Just Eat, eBay, John Lewis & Partners, ASOS, Amazon and many more. Plus, once you've signed up and raised £5 in donations, easyfundraising will give us an extra £5 donation. Happy shopping!