



Belleville Wix Academy

21st May 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,



Last Friday you very generously supported our fundraising event. In total £532.11 was raised which is phenomenal so thank you very much. This money will go towards purchasing plants for our edible garden project which I hope you agree looks incredible. Our vision is for pupils to enjoy spending break times together in this beautiful peaceful space as well as learning how to grow a variety of plants.



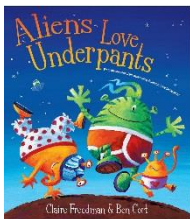
This week we have really enjoyed speaking with many parents of pupils in the bilingual stream during the parent teacher meetings. Thank you so much for attending.

Our pupils have had an excellent week of learning together. Their learning attitudes are outstanding. Here is a snapshot of our brilliant week.



Ensuring our pupils get the very best provision, we bring in specialist teachers. Our music provision is just incredible and it is a joy to hear music in school and see every child actively participating. Miss Hurford was especially proud of the fantastic ongoing work of Y5. Working on complicated rhythm patterns with exceptional enthusiasm, determination and skill, they continue to impress me week by week!

During dance this week, I was overjoyed by the progress our year 6 class are making. It was definitely a workout but everyone had fun learning new moves and remembering the routine.

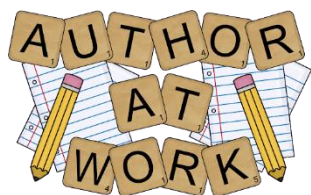


This half term pupils in Nursery have been learning about space and different technology. This week they loved using play dough to make aliens inspired by one of their favourite books, 'Aliens love underpants' and then used the iPads to take a picture of their creations. It was great to see the pupils moulding the play dough into different shapes, putting lots of arms and legs on and using technology in the classroom to capture it.

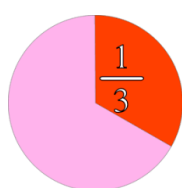


The teamwork that I have seen in RW this week has been truly outstanding. They have been using books to research animals that live in the sea and I know every parent would have been super proud of their child working with their partner to enjoy the book and find out new facts. They also had the opportunity to use iPads for their research on sharks. Using their research they have written their very own non-fiction books. What superstars!

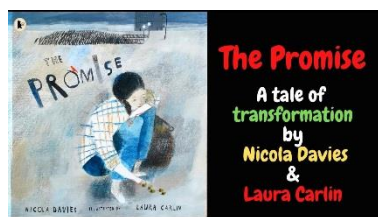
IB had a fun filled art day recreating wild things from the story 'Where the Wild Things Are' in a Picasso style collage. They learnt about line drawings without lifting their pencil to create a character and experimented with paints to create different shades. Finally, they created a collage by layering and overlapping the pieces of painted paper and sketched character. Truly fantastic artists.



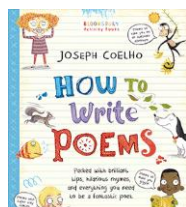
1M and 1W have been working hard on writing diary entries that describe what a Victorian school day might have been like. Their teachers have been so impressed with the fantastic progress they have made. They wrote in the first person which can be very tricky and their work was beautifully presented. Year 1 pupils should be very proud of themselves. Mrs Sawyer the Victorian teacher we met last week would have been very happy with their work.



2B have been learning about fractions. Mr Jones has been very impressed with the rapid understanding that the class has made considering the very challenging aspect to this area of mathematics. They were very eager to tell him how to make 2 and 3/4 - which he tells me is like nothing I have ever seen before. Keep up the phenomenal work 2B.



Year 3 have really enjoyed exploring their new text 'The Promise.' They planned and wrote their own diary entries based on the main character. We have been very happy to see how they are using exciting similes and metaphors to describe the city setting as well as the feelings of the protagonist. Well done year 3.

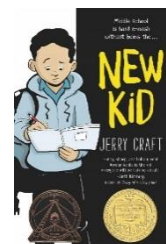


Year 4, have been reading performance poetry by the famous writer and poet Joseph Coelho. They watched many performances and thought about how written and performed poetry are different. It is now time to get ready for Year 4 Poetry Slam, where the children will take a Joseph Coelho poem and perform it using tone, volume, body language and actions to bring the poem to life. This was a wonderful event we all enjoyed last year during our first lockdown and I can't wait to hear the poems being performed.



4B have been learning about coastal erosion (cliff falls) and some key causes, such as: heavy rain, drought, turbulent seas and human activity. One way to protect the coastline is to plant trees to prevent landslides and another is to build sea walls to prevent wave damage. This is great knowledge for our pupils to have, especially with recent news of coastal erosion in parts of the UK.

Year 5 have engaged in some excellent discussion around feeling comfortable and safe in a new school environment based on our text New Kid. This discussion helped them to write a persuasive letter to the headteacher at our fictional school to get them to overturn the unfair punishment of a student.





6B had a virtual visit from TfL to discuss how to be safe on transport in London and how to be a good citizen. The pupils discussed the benefits and cons of different modes of transport and which mode to travel to school was best for the environment. They are all very aware of how to behave on public transport. At the end of the session they took part in a quiz and received full marks. Wow – what a wonderful achievement 6B – well done. We would like to thank TfL for an educational and exciting talk.



Year 6 have been studying Alfred Noyes' 'The Highwayman' in their English lessons. Our talented writers have been creating a foreboding atmosphere, building tension and suspense in a narrative from a character's point of view. Not only have the class been using phenomenal figurative language - they are using imagery to develop themes in their own writing too. We can't wait

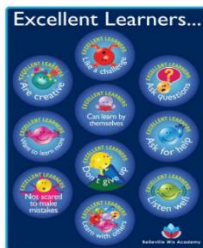
to read the published work.

School Photographs

Please remember we have school photographs booked for Monday and Thursday. Every pupil should be wearing the correct school uniform.

Next week is the final week of this half term – time flies when you are having fun. Wishing you all a happy and healthy weekend together.

Miss Henry



Congratulations to our excellent learners this week who showed they want to learn more.

EXCELLENT LEARNERS WANT TO LEARN MORE							
George B	RW		Ricardo	2G		Sienna	Y4
Mason	RB		Stefan	2SB		Ayaan	Y5
Adam	1W		Milo	Y3		Olivia	5B
Anatole	1M		James L	3B		Iker	Y6

Half term

- Week beginning 31st May.

End of the year

- Bilingual Stream – Friday 16th July.
- English Stream - Friday 23rd July. Early finish - times sent out closer to the time.