

[22nd November 2024](#)



It has been another great week of learning together at school, with pupils across all year groups engaging in exciting activities and deepening their knowledge.

We have a wonderful joint PTA and APL event last night. Thank you to everyone who organised the superb event and for those parents who kindly came out on a very cold night to try some lovely food, have fun at a quiz and before going home to warm up with a little dance.

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- of personal development fostering a sense of responsibility to self and others
- a sense of citizenship, community, empathy and service

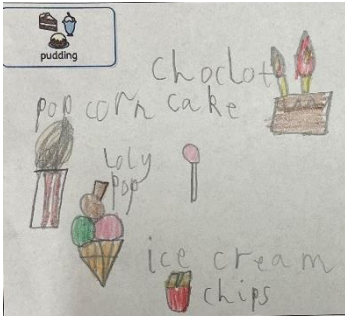
It has been another week full of creative learning, valuable lessons, and exciting opportunities for our pupils. here are some of our highlights.



In Nursery, pupils have been learning about Anti-Bullying. They discussed the significance of wearing Odd Socks last week and created their own designs to reflect this theme. The children explored ways to be kind to their friends and considered what actions to take if someone is unkind. In EAD, they practised mixing colours to create vibrant Traffic Light paintings, reinforcing their learning through art.

In Reception, pupils have been exploring the topic of Light and Dark. They learned about Nocturnal and Diurnal animals, discussing why some animals come out at night while others are active during the day. The children created hedgehogs, bats, parrots, and squirrels in art, all linked to their topic of exploration.





Pupils in Year 1, started a new unit in English, focusing on adjectives. The pupils had fun creating menus for Fred's Cafe and engaged their senses by tasting different foods, which helped them use more descriptive language. They displayed their creativity by coming up with their own menu items and writing detailed descriptions about the food. Fred enjoyed reading their imaginative descriptions!

In Year 2, pupils became super scientists by investigating the stretchiness of different materials to determine which would be best for a gym kit. They enjoyed conducting a fair test to ensure accurate results. The children are also looking forward to next week's experiment, where they will test whether objects float or sink based on their properties.



Year 3 had a fantastic week, particularly enjoying their computing sessions using the new Microbit programme. The pupils connected the Microbit to Chromebooks and used coding to create images, developing their digital skills in an exciting and hands-on way.

In Year 4, pupils had the fantastic opportunity to meet a local police officer who spoke about online safety. The children engaged in an excellent discussion about staying safe online and how to respond when approached by strangers on the internet. They left the session with a deeper understanding of how to protect themselves in the digital world.



Year 5 also welcomed a Community Police Officer who delivered a session on personal and online safety. The pupils learned important tips on how to stay safe both in everyday life and while using the internet. The session was an invaluable opportunity to build awareness and empower our pupils with essential safety knowledge.

In 4B, pupils explored the work of Victorian textile designer William Morris with our resident artist, Mrs Hatcher. They made preparatory sketches of common winter and autumn foliage and then transferred their designs to foam tiles in preparation for printing. The focus on design and craftsmanship was impressive.





Our Year 6 pupils we were thrilled to introduce the new iPads provided by Apple into the classroom. During history lessons, the pupils used the iPads to scan QR codes and research different historical figures and events. They were excited about using such advanced technology to enhance their learning, and we look forward to integrating iPads across other subjects in the near future.

In 6B, the pupils had a wonderful time using their sketching skills to create art based on endangered animals during their learning with our resident artist, Mrs Hatcher. Their artistic talents were showcased as they explored this important environmental issue through their work.



Free intensive swimming for 5-7-year-olds at Wandsworth Leisure Centres and free drop-in sports activities for children eligible for benefit-based Free School Meals during school holidays, click [here](#).

Please do use this [NHS guidance](#) to help you make decisions when your child is ill about whether they should attend school, or stay at home.



Communication

Our [communication table](#) should signpost you to the right person to deal with any queries you have, no matter how small or trivial you think they may be.

Parent Forms

- If your pupil requires medication, you will need to complete a form online.
- If your pupil requires time out of school, you will need to complete a form online.
- If your pupil is allowed to go home alone, you will need to complete a form online.

These forms are available on the school website, under News, Parent Forms. A link is also [here](#).



Nut Free School

Please remember that we are a Nut Free site.

Excellent learners

	PUPIL		PUPIL
RA	Chloe S	4	Caterina
Y1	Lucia	4B	Daphne
Y1B	Cassie	5	Gaspard
Y2	Matis	6	Eman
Y3	Justin	6B	Eugenie

Birthday Treats

When it is a pupil's birthday during the school term, parents and carers can choose to celebrate this special occasion by bringing in food to share with the class if they wish. This food is given out at the end of the school day so that parents and carers can decide if their pupil consumes it. If you do choose to bring in food for the class, we would really appreciate it if, in addition to nut-free, consideration could be given to other allergies, religious and dietary preferences, so that all pupils can share in the class celebration.



Prepared for the Day

Please ensure your pupil has suitable clothing in school. Getting outside remains very important at BWA and we plan to have both PE and play outside in all weathers.



Dates to Remember

- **Last Day of Term – Friday 20th December.**
- Pupils in the English stream finish at 1:45pm.
- Pupils in the bilingual stream finish at the normal time.

Wishing you all a very peaceful weekend.

Miss Henry