



Belleville Wix Academy

5th November Newsletter

I can't quite believe we have just returned after the half term break, probably because it has been busy with so many exciting learning opportunities. I hope you all had a great half term.

Bonfire Night

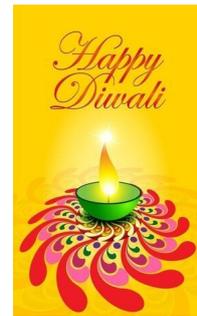
Remember, remember
The fifth of November,
Gunpowder, treason and plot.
We see no reason
Why gunpowder treason
Should ever be forgot!



Many of you may have plans to see the fireworks this weekend in London. I hope you have a wonderful time – I adore fireworks and can't wait to see them light up the sky. This is the time of year when pupils in the younger years enjoy painting fireworks pictures and learning all about Diwali, a festival of light.

Nursery have been thinking about Bonfire Night. They have explored colour mixing using the paints to create their own firework pictures and have been talking about how we can stay safe on Bonfire Night.

I have loved getting in to see RB this week. It has been a joy to see their excellent learning behaviours whilst creatively exploring many of the celebrations that are happening. On Monday they cut out mini jack-o-lanterns from bell peppers for Halloween. Then they made diya lamps, read the story of Rama and the Demon King and made rangoli patterns from 2D shapes for Diwali. Next, they will be making firework pictures to celebrate Bonfire Night, in the style of Jackson Pollock. A very exciting and busy week.



Light and Dark is the topic for RW this half term. This week Bonfire Night has been a big focus. They have been studying the art work created by Jackson Pollock and have recreated their own paint splatter pictures to look like fireworks.

Year 1 we have been exploring materials and finding out what materials help cushion eggs the best. Brilliant start to the half term, Year 1.

2B have started learning about The Great Fire of London this week in their history lessons. This has been very exciting and they looked at artefacts to help understand more about what happened during the fire. Some of the artefacts we looked at included fire hats, a leather bucket and a feather quill. They are really enjoying our new topic.

This week, Year 2 launched their Urban and Rural topic in Geography by taking a trip around the local area. Using their enquiry skills they identified human and physical features that could be found in an urban environment. They had fun recording their findings in a survey.



Year 3 have also been super scientists this week, enjoying the start of their new science unit Forces. They explored different materials and tested whether they were magnetic or not.

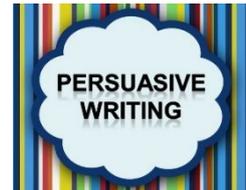
states of matter



There are three states of matter - solid, liquid and gas.

Year 4 have had a great start in their new science topic as well. They have been learning about the difference between solids, liquids and gases and enjoyed attempting to make their own chocolate ice cream to show the change in state from a liquid to a solid.

This week in English, Year 5 have been looking at a range of adverts and how these persuade people to purchase products. Pupils have particularly enjoyed the flattery and opinions in some adverts which help to sell a product. This has resulted in some excellent creativity in their own adverts to sell a drawing application.



Year 6 have started their study on the circulatory system. They had an in-depth look at how blood travels through the heart and the importance of having a healthy heart, all in preparation for our heart dissection next week!

6B have been reading, 'The Longest Night of Charlie Noon' in their English lessons and learning how to build tension and suspense in a narrative. They will then write their own version of 'Little Red Riding Hood' with a twist. We are very excited to read their final pieces!



Excellent Learners			
Don't give up			
Betty	RW	Ylva	3M
Olivia	Y1	Dexter	3S
Sasha	1B	Clarisse	4B
Oskar	2G	Omari	Y5
Mardiyah	2M	Adam	5B
Tallulah	2B	Andres	Y6



Gymnastic Clubs

This week we started our Gymnastics clubs before school. Early starts in the dark aren't easy but when you have a gymnastics club to attend it makes it easier.



Peripatetic Music Lessons

We were inundated with requests for peripatetic music lessons. We had originally pencilled in 2 days and have had to open it up to 5 days – wow! I love to hear music in the building so I can't wait for Monday.



COVID 19

As you know we have number of pupils with COVID 19. Unfortunately we have had member of staff also test positive this week. I know you will join me in wishing everyone a speedy recovery and that their symptoms are mild. Please may I ask that you continue to do regular lateral flow tests at home to pick up asymptomatic cases and wear a mask when on the school site or in the line for drop off or collection. No-one with symptoms should come onsite. Thank you for your support and co-operation.



PTA

The BWA PTA are pleased to announce that thanks to all of our volunteers, guests and local businesses that supported our Wix Dîner en Blanc, we managed to raise **£4635** to help improve the outdoor facilities for our children. Thank you all so much for your incredible support in our first event of the year! Truly amazing.

Take a look at our fundraisers planned for this term. We can't wait to see you there!

Winter Events

NOVEMBER 2021

FRI 05 | 11 Christmas trees can be purchased online
MON 08 | 11 Christmas cards can be purchased online
WED 10 | 11 Festive Shop & Drinks. at RVH
WED 17 | 11 Christmas cards - last day for online purchase
FRI 27 | 11 Christmas trees - last day for online purchase

DECEMBER 2021

FRI 03 | 12 Festive Friday - BWA x Hope with Gaspard
FRI 10 | 12 Festive Friday - Bake Sale & Christmas Carols

More information coming soon,
depending on government guidelines
at the time of the events.



BWA PTA Festive Shop & Drinks on Wednesday 10th November

I look forward to seeing you on Wednesday to start the Christmas season with bubbles and a Festive Shopping evening with one of London's top florists, Rob Van Helden. Tickets will be available through the website link [here](#). Money raised will go towards the BWA PTA. Please do come along to meet other parents and enjoy the opportunity.

RVH Home has the most stunning collection of items to enhance any home, and for all budgets. Look at the stunning image here and below as a taster. I know I am not alone in admiring the stunning collection.

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Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Miss Henry



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