



Belleville Wix Academy

9th September Newsletter



Today is a very sad day across the country following the death of Queen Elizabeth II yesterday. We have talked about the Queen today in class with the pupils and will continue to commemorate her life as well as support the children with this loss.

If your child is upset, please do let us know so we can support them. [Minded](#) is also a source of information to support our children to manage death and loss.

Following the death of Her Majesty The Queen, it is His Majesty The King's wish that a period of Royal Mourning be observed from now until seven days after The Queen's Funeral. The date of the Funeral will be confirmed in due course.



I would like to offer you all a very warm welcome back to school following our summer holiday. It has been lovely to see you all again and I hope you had a wonderful time during the school break. Getting back into the school routine can be difficult but I think you have all managed really well this week. Thank you for your patience as we all get acquainted with the

new start and end of day times and arrangements. Your co-operation has been truly valued by the staff team.

I have been very proud of every pupil at BWA this week as they have all settled so well back to school. I know I have said this many times before but I do wish I could capture what I get to see when I walk around the school as I think you would be super impressed with how focused your children are in their lessons and how quickly learning starts after you say goodbye to them in the morning.

New Starters

This week we have welcomed new pupils and families to our nursery and reception classes as well as throughout the school. On behalf of the whole school community, I would like to offer you a very warm welcome to BWA and hope that you feel at home and are very happy here. If you need anything from us please don't hesitate to let us know.

At the end of term I had some time offsite. Sadly my father died very suddenly and I missed many events at the end of the school year. I am so sorry to have missed welcoming our new families and pupils and celebrations of all we had achieved throughout 2021-22. I would like to thank you for your very kind messages at this very challenging time for me and my family. The news yesterday of the Queens's death and family



gathering together during the afternoon brought so much of my sadness flooding back, as I am sure it has for many who have lost parents.

I would like to thank the staff team who did a phenomenal job keeping pupils safe, happy and learning.



School Improvements

The summer break has been a very busy one at BWA improving our school environment, as some of you may have seen as you walked past the school or attended the summer camp onsite. We have had some new fire doors and windows installed on the ground floor and main stairwell.



School Streets

We are so fortunate to have been granted School Street status. This means we all enjoy a much more peaceful start and end of day as traffic is reduced outside the school. We rely on your support and hope that everyone can help by volunteering.

We ask that you sign up through this link for one or two 20 minute volunteering sessions this term. This helps the scheme run smoothly:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1w8pijP6BTuygxLdjxbZ_Ab60WI_9xWUyTX9NIQZD4c/edit

If you are interested in planning a more active school run, please find some [info here](#).



COVID19

Every family should have received a BWA Family Guide setting out the procedures in place at BWA to reduce the risk of the virus spreading within our school community. These procedures are in place because we want to ensure our education provision for every pupil is disrupted as little as possible. Please do read this guide if you haven't done so already.



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 child requires medication, you will need to complete a form online.
- If your child requires time out of school, you will need to complete a form online.
- If your child 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](#).



Curriculum Evenings

At the start of the year we offer parents the opportunity to attend a Curriculum Evening Presentation and encourage everyone to attend. During the presentation we will share key information about the year ahead – the curriculum, expectations, special events, systems and procedures etc.

These events will be in the classrooms and are for adults only.

Date	English Stream Year Group and Start Time	
	17:30	18:30
Monday 12 th September	Year 2	Reception
Tuesday 13 th September	Year 3	Nursery
Wednesday 14 th September	Year 1 & 6	Year 4
Thursday 15 th September	Year 5	

Bilingual Stream		
Class	Date	Time
RB	Tuesday 27.9.22	4.30pm
1B	Monday 19.9.22	4.30pm
2B	Monday 19.9.22	4.30pm
3B	Tuesday 20.9.22	4.30pm
4B	Tuesday 20.9.22	4.30pm
5B	Monday 26.9.22	4.30pm
6B	Thursday 22.9.22	4.30pm



Homework Expectations

Homework will be given out from Monday. Letters have been sent out setting out the homework expectations which I hope will be helpful for you. Please don't hesitate to ask if you require any help.



Nut Free School

Please remember that we are a Nut Free site.



Prepared for the Day

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

[Free Parent Workshop Invite](#)

I have often shared the great workshops offered by Role Models. There is another one coming up and I include the details below.

When: Sep 20, 2022 07:30 PM London.

Topic: How to Help Your Child Manage Big Feelings

A 45 minute webinar followed by Q&A, hosted by 'Role Models', exploring how to help your child when they experience 'big feelings'.

Ideas shared are relevant for children of all ages and include looking at anger, frustration, upset, jealousy. We will explore how these strategies help to build emotional resilience in your child, so they are ready to embrace mistakes and the inevitable ups and downs of life.

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/2016557396006/WN_Gf7Qmaw_Quyw6gG99IWjgw

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

[Literacy Festival](#)

Information about this opportunity is in the second attachment. Looks great!

[BWA Workshops coming up](#)

- EYFS Phonics – Monday 19th September at 6:30pm
- Year 1 Phonics – Monday 26th September at 6:30pm
- **Maths – No Problem!**
Tuesday 27th September at 1.30-2.30pm and 5.30-6.30pm

All parents and carers are invited to an online workshop (on zoom) on to learn more about how we teach maths at BWA. Led by the Q1E Trust Director of Maths, Karen Taylor, the session will explain our approach to teaching maths, what we need to cover and how we teach it, the structure of our lessons, and how we support your children in their learning. The session is suitable for all parents/carers with children in Reception to Year 6.

I wish you all a very peaceful and reflective weekend.

Miss Henry