

# **BWA Newsletter**

Wix's Lane, Clapham Common North Side, London SW4 0AJ

27th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy week, I want to take a moment to say how proud we are of all the fantastic learning that has taken place across BWA this week. It's been a joy to see our pupils so engaged, curious, and enthusiastic in their lessons. The dedication from both staff and our pupils continues to shine through in every classroom.

We are also looking forward to our upcoming Sports Days, which are always a highlight of the summer term. These events are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate teamwork, perseverance, and school spirit, and we hope to see many of you there cheering the children on.

We hope you will all be able to attend our Art Exhibition on the evening of Thursday 10th July to showcase the brilliant artwork pupils have created throughout the year.

A reminder too that Parents' Evenings are just around the corner for the English stream. These meetings are an important chance to discuss your child's progress and achievements, and to celebrate all they have accomplished this year. I will send invite letters soon.

Have a super weekend.

**Séana Henry** Headteacher

#### Important dates:

Year 2 and Year 3 Sports Day: Thursday 3 July, am.

Reception and Year 1 Sports Day: Thursday 3 July.

Years 4, 5 and 6 Sports Day: Wednesday 9 July, 9am – 12.30pm.

**Parent-Teacher Meetings (English stream):** Tuesday 15 July, 4pm to 8pm (all years) and Thursday 17 July, 4pm to 7pm (all years, except Year 3)

Last day of Summer Term 2 (Bilingual stream): Wednesday 16 July.

Last day of Summer Term 2 (English stream): Tuesday 22 July at 1.45pm.

Full term dates are available on our website.

### **Excellent Learners**

Congratulations to this week's Excellent Learners.

Class	Pupil
RA	Alaia
RB	Alicia
Y1	Lucia
1B	French Week
Y2	Samuel
2B	Lucien
Y3	Alan
ЗB	Philippa
Y4	Linh
4B	French Week
Y5	Hudson
5B	Owen
Y6	Stafan
6B	French Week

#### **Care Values**

Congratulations to this week's CARE Value Stars.

Class	Pupil
RA	Margarita
RB	Lili
Y1	Edward
1B	French Week
Y2	Aaliyah
2B	Chloe.V
Y3	Kalp
ЗB	Beatrice
Y4	Maeva
4B	French Week
Y5	Henry
5B	Tallulah
Y6	Maia
6B	French Week





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### **New School Catering**

We are very pleased to announce that from September 2025, we will be moving our school catering for all the schools in the Q1E Trust to <u>Lunchtime Co</u>. Lunchtime Co. are a relatively small company who we believe will work in partnership with us and be responsive to feedback.

We were impressed with their menu variety, sourcing of good quality local fresh produce, and positive references from other schools. Next term there will be opportunities for parents and carers to sample some of the new menus and we will provide further details about these events after the summer break.

### Sports Update

Last week the cricket teams from Years 5 & 6 enjoyed two excellent days at Spencer cricket ground. Both teams were superb with many of the pupils scoring 4s, bowling wickets and taking catches.

Kit, the captain of the Year 6 team excelled at his fast bowling and Martha the captain of the Year 5 team scored a 6, hitting with enough power to clear the boundary. All the pupils learnt a huge amount about cricket and teamwork and did the school proud.



#### Important information:

- Please ensure your child has **suitable clothing in school and sunscreen**. We have PE and play outside in all weathers.
- Please remember that we are a **Nut Free School**.
- Our <u>communication table</u> should signpost you to the right person to deal with any queries you have.



## Our Week – Early Years and Key Stage 1

This week in **Nursery**, the children have still been busy being explorers! They learned all about crocodiles, using their counting and subtraction skills to add and remove their teeth. The children enjoyed reading animal-themed stories, decorating birds with buttons for their letter of the week 'b', and using Duplo to design creative zoos. What a fantastic week of fun and learning!



**Reception** have been writing about different stories in Literacy this term. They wanted to write more of their own stories in the afternoon so created booklets with their favourite cartoons. They created a narrative for the character and wrote the story with their own drawings. It was a lot of fun and the children shared them with their peers at the end of the day.



**RB** have been learning about how humans can affect the world around them. They read the story of Wangari and the Trees of Peace where people replanted forests after trees had been cut down. The pupils created their own special tree in class by making leaves to attach themselves. They wrote about why trees are important and came up with

lovely ideas such as 'they are alive', 'trees can breathe' and 'animals need them for their homes'.

This week in Science, **Year 1** have been learning all about food waste and how we can recycle it through composting. They explored what compost and decomposition are and thought carefully about what items can and can't go into a compost bin. The children really enjoyed drawing their own compost bins and choosing what they would put inside them!



**Year 2** have had a fantastic week. They have been writing their own narrative about friendship. The children have all been so proud of the outcomes they have produced and are so excited to publish them. The children have also been thinking about what materials would be best to make their bird houses in Science. They have decided they need to be waterproof and rigid to keep the birds safe.



In **2B** this week, the children were learning about the Suffragette movement in their Making History topic about activism. They learned about the Suffragette cause, the difficulty they faced and some of the tactics they had to use in order to get their voices heard.



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## Our Week – Key Stage 2



Year 3 have had an excellent week! A particular highlight was a parent workshop on Hinduism, a topic that the children studied last term in their REW lessons. They got the chance to hear lots of information about Hinduism and to see some of the special prayer books.

**3B** have been discovering the stunning physical features of the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur region in France. From the towering Alps and rolling lavender fields to the sparkling Mediterranean coast, the children have loved learning how nature shapes this beautiful part of the world. They've explored maps, did research, and created a fact-file about the region. A fantastic start to our geography adventures!



**Year 4** have begun their new unit in Maths looking at Geometry! They have been investigating different lines of symmetry and have found right angles all over the school! In History, the children have delved deeper into who King Henry VIII really was and have found out fascinating pieces of information about what life was like during his reign.

This week in **Year 5**, we've kicked off our new English unit with the engaging and thought-provoking graphic novel New Kid by Jerry Craft. The children have responded brilliantly to the book's visual style and relatable themes, which have sparked some fantastic conversations around friendship, fitting in, and being true to yourself. It's been lovely to see how quickly the class has connected with the main character and begun reflecting on the challenges he faces. The children are excited to see where the story takes us next and how it will inspire their own writing and ideas.

**Year 6 and 6B** became entrepreneurs last Friday, taking part in the Fiver Challenge. Each group started a business with just £5 - selling everything from fidgets and candy mixes to bakes, games, and milkshakes. They invited KS2 to be their customers, and the event was a big success. An impressive 78% of teams made a profit. It was a brilliant way to build teamwork, organisation, and business skills. Well done, Year 6!

**6B** have also had a fantastic week on their class trip to Andernos-les-Bains, France with their friends in 6A. From sailing and treetop adventures to climbing sand dunes and enjoying scenic boat tours, they've been making the most of the sunshine and creating unforgettable memories. The days are flying by - and many have said they wish every day was like this!

