

Bessemer Primary School Newsletter



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Dates for your Diary

Friday 10th May 2024

September 2023							October 2023							November 2023							December 2023						
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January 2024							February 2024							March 2024							April 2024						
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May 2024							June 2024							July 2024							August 2024						
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School Holidays	INSET Days	Tutorial Day	Bank Holidays
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2024 Class Assembly Dates

		25/1/24	2JW
1/2/24	6AC	8/2/24	6LM
7/3/24	2LT	14/3/24	1NS
21/3/24	6SB	28/3/24	3KL
2/5/24	5RS	9/5/24	2LS
16/5/24	3NI	23/5/24	5OF
20/6/24		27/6/24	4VG

Class assemblies are on Thursdays at 9.15 and last for approximately 15 minutes. Parents and carers are invited to come along and find out more about their children's learning across the curriculum.

Dates for your Diary

13.05.24 - 16.04.24 – Year 6 SATs
13.05.24 – Year 2 local area geography trip
14.05.24 – 3NI trip to Vauxhall City Farm
15.05.24 – 4VG trip to Vauxhall City Farm
16.05.24 – 3/4CB trip to Dulwich Picture Gallery
17.05.24 – Fundraising concerts at St Faith's
20.05.24 – Year 6 parents school journey meeting, 5pm
21.05.24 – Year 2 trip to Whitstable
22.05.24 – Royal Institution science shows - rescheduled
23.05.24 – 3KL trip to Vauxhall City Farm
27.05.24 – 31.05.24 Half term break
03.06.24 – 14.06.24 – Year 4 multiplication check
03.06.24 – 15.06.24 Fieldwork Fortnight
03.06.24 – Year 5 fire safety session in school - rescheduled
03.06.24 – Year 6 trip to The Old Operating Theatre
10.06.24 – 14.06.24 Year 1 phonics screening
10.06.24 – Year 6 *Take the Lead* workshop in school
11.06.24 - Year 6 *Take the Lead* workshop in school
11.06.24 – Years 3 and 4 trip to The Science Museum
12.06.24 - Year 6 *Take the Lead* workshop in school
14.06.24 – Year 1 trip to The Science Museum
17.06.24 - 19.06.24 – Year 6 residential trip
20.06.24 – Spanish Day
01.07.24 – New Reception parents' meeting
12.07.24 – Reception to Year 1 transition meeting 9.15am
16.07.24 – Year 6 performance 6pm
19.07.24 – Carnival 2.30pm
23.07.24 – Year 6 graduation 2.15pm
24.07.24 – Class parties
24.07.24 – Year 6 disco – rescheduled
25.07.24 – Last day of term, 2pm finish

Summer Term Library Visit Dates

Coming soon!

News and Reminders

Year 6 SATs

Children in Year 6 will be taking their SATs next week. If your child is in Year 6 please ensure that they get plenty of sleep and relaxation time over the weekend, alongside a small amount of revision if needed. Please remind your children that they have already learnt everything that will be covered in the SATs and they have completed practise papers, so they know what to expect and are well prepared for next week. Please tell them that all they need to do is their best and we will all be very proud of them.

All children in Year 6 are welcome to attend breakfast club free of charge from Monday to Thursday next week, to ensure that children are in school on time and have had a good breakfast. If your child would like to attend please ensure they are in school by 8.30am.

It is really important that all Year 6 children are in school on time next week, if you have any concerns about this, for example if your child is unwell, please call the school straight away.

Lunches for School Trips

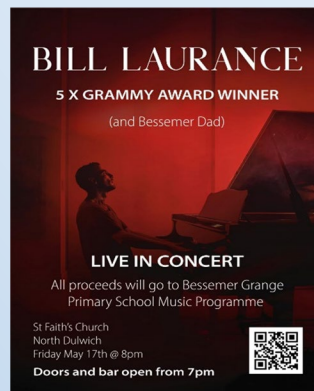
When your child is going on a school trip, please make sure you indicate on Parentmail whether or not they need a school packed lunch. The default setting on Parentmail is a cheese sandwich-based school lunch, so if you forget to indicate that you are providing your child with a home packed lunch, a school lunch is made and this can result in a lot of wasted food.

Fundraising Concerts

Don't forget to book your tickets for our upcoming fundraising concerts led by Bessemer parent and member of 5-time Grammy Award-winning group Snarky Puppy, Bill Laurance. Tickets for the afternoon event, which includes performances by children as well as Bill, are free (with voluntary donation).

Tickets for the evening performance can be purchased here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bill-laurance-in-concert-tickets-865633241327>

If you would like to volunteer for either event please drop F@B an email at fab@friendsatbessemer.co.uk or message Alan at 07899 043150.



Warmer Weather

Now that the weather is warmer, please ensure that your child come to school with a water bottle every day and wearing sun cream and a sun hat when necessary. Please do not send your child with a coat or extra clothing unless there is rain forecast as children will take off these items and lose them!

Girls' Football

Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for information about free girls' football sessions.

Sharing Children's Learning

As part of their *Food and Agriculture* topic children in Year 3 went to Pizza Express this week and made their own pizzas:



Sharing Children's Learning

Children in 4BC and 3/4CB went to Vauxhall City Farm this week to find out more about their *Food and Agriculture* topic. The rest of Years 3 and 4 will be going in the coming weeks, look out for more photos of their visits coming soon!



Sharing Children's Learning

More fun at the farm!



Children in Year 1 went to JAGS on Thursday to take part in a singing festival alongside children from other local schools, performing the songs that they have been practising over the last few weeks:



Eid Celebration

After school on Friday we had a lovely time celebrating Eid! Thank you to F@B for organizing the event, and particular thanks to Aimee, Luba, Balsam, Agabu, Yandire, Nafisah, Hawa, Yasmin, Farah, Omo and everyone else who helped out for preparing and serving the amazing food – the very lengthy queues were proof of just how good it was!



Word of the Week

Read the riddle and try to work out the Word of the Week from the clues. Tell your teacher what you think the word is on Monday, if you're right you'll get a gem! We'll announce the answer in assembly on Tuesday. Remember to use the Word of the Week as much as you can in your speech and writing to earn more gems and to make the word a permanent part of your vocabulary!

This week's riddle is from Max Evans:

It has 3 syllables and 9 letters.

It has the *ous* suffix at the end.

It is most likely to be used to describe luxurious food.

It starts with "S".

Can you use these clues to guess the Word of the Week?

The answer to last week's riddle was **synchronise** - did you guess the word and use it to earn gems? Keep using it to make sure it remains part of your vocabulary!

F@B Update

A huge thank you to everyone who helped to cook for our Eid celebration last week which raised an amazing £600 for the school. The food was delicious!

Summer fair: Saturday 13 July

Our school fair will take place in 2 months' time and plans are getting underway... We need your help!

Raffle prizes

We are looking for prize donations for our raffle. Previous prizes include wine, toys, jewellery, restaurant vouchers and lots more besides!

If you can donate something or know a friendly business owner you could persuade to support us please do email fab@friendsatbessemer.co.uk

Urban Village boards

Can you help us raise vital funds for Bessemer? Urban Village have offered to give us £15 for every estate agency board put up to promote our fair on 13 July and we need volunteers!

We've got a target of 60 families volunteering to have an Urban Village board outside their home which will help us to promote the event and raise lots of funds for Bessemer: we're aiming to raise £900 from Urban Village so please help if you can!

If you can help please email Claire with your name, address and postcode: clairewhite06@hotmail.co.uk

Please note: unfortunately we are not allowed to put up boards outside council blocks or blocks of flats.

Online Safety Tip of the Week

Free Be Internet Legends resources

[Be Internet Legends](#) by Google, in partnership with [Parent Zone](#), is an online safety programme – helping children become safer, more confident explorers of the online world. For parents, it offers free downloadable activities to help understand and support a child's online world. [There are games for children to help them understand more about how to navigate life online](#) - mostly aimed at children aged 7-11, though children older or younger may also enjoy playing.

[Play Interland - Be Internet Legends](#)

Welcome to Interland, a game designed to provide lessons for online safety. Play Interland to become a more confident explorer of the online world.

beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com





Celebrations!

Certificates

	Star	Writer	Mathematician	Presenter	Scientist
Rainbow	Leo	Amir	Jude		
Sunshine	Hilal	Inoa	Maya		
Moonbeam	Alaia	Kassie	Violet		
1AM	Lariah	Leon	Sadie	Sam	Lucy
1NS	Georgios	Eleanore	Leila	Djene	
2JW	Athena	Ava	Sarai	Alexis	Kenza
2LS	Bella	Joseph	Elliot	Rimas	
2LT	Evie	Santi	Malachi	Margot P	
3KL	Aidan	Elliott	Mikey	Agnes R	
3NI	Henry	Maia	Charlotte	Matilda	Alessandro
3/4CB	Oscar	Mariatu	Leonel	Donatas	
4BC	Whole class	Khaliyah	Esme	Adam	
4VG	Safa	Johnny	Arthur	Holly	Tobias
5RS	Rehana	Bryan	Polly	Michael	
5OF	Valentina	Hannah	Amelia	Bailey	
5FM	Lucy	Frankie	Einas	Paul	
6LM	Zac	Victoria	Emma	Lenny	
6SB	Hasti	Pearl	Leandra	Summer	Jake
6AC	Christabel	Ainoa	Hassan	Flora	

Individual Timestable Rockstars

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Ella	Bella	Shackleton	Leo	Max E	Yusuf O

Timestable Rockstars Winning Classes

Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
2LT	4VG	5FM

House
Winners

Diamonds!



Have a great weekend!

Elizabeth



PE & SCHOOL SPORTS NETWORK

FREE GIRLS FOOTBALL

EVERY MONDAY (17:00-18:00)

@BURGESS PARK ASTRO TURF



**OPEN TO ALL
GIRLS AGED 5-11
YEARS OLD**

**OPEN TO ALL
GIRLS AGED 12-14
YEARS OLD**



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