

# BESSEMER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## Dates for your Diary

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Years 1 and 2 Christmas Sing Along, 3pm**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Years 5 and 6 Christmas Sing Along, 3pm**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Years 3 and 4 Christmas Sing Along, 3pm**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper/Dress Up Day**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Class Parties**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Last Day of School, 2pm finish**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January - Inset Day**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January - Children return to school**

## News and Reminders

### **Christmas Sing Alongs**

We have carried out risk assessments for our Christmas Sing Alongs and have decided to go ahead with them. They will be taking place outside in the playgrounds and we will be maintaining a reasonable distance between the children and the audience. We will ensure that the gates are opened in plenty of time to avoid crowding and we ask that audience members wear face coverings and observe social distancing as much as possible. We strongly advise that you take a lateral flow test before attending to reduce the risk of spreading infection. Please come along on the dates shown above and join in with some seasonal singing!

### **Class Parties**

Class parties will be taking place on Thursday afternoon and children can wear their party clothes to school all day. We would be very grateful if you could donate around £1 - £2 towards food for the party if you feel able, unless your child's class has asked for food donations instead. It would be helpful if children could bring monetary donations to school on Monday to allow staff time to buy the food.

### **Christmas Dress Up Day**

We will be having our Christmas lunch on Wednesday and children are welcome to wear Christmas jumpers / clothing and accessories such as antlers, Santa hats or tinsel to school that day.

### **Parking**

We have received some complaints about cars parked on pavements and double yellow lines at pick up and drop off time. Please only park in designated bays to ensure the safety of our children, thank you.

## Home Learning

While there is no expectation that home learning takes place while children are absent due to illness, we do understand that many children who are isolating with Covid have few symptoms and that parents are looking for home learning resources. Unfortunately, but understandably we are unable to provide remote learning as we did in lockdown, as all teachers in school are even busier than usual covering for colleagues who are absent due to having Covid themselves. We have followed the government guidance and provided links to Oak Academy lessons, which can be found on Google Classroom. In addition, in many cases teachers have shared lesson plans and outlines for the lessons being taught in school. Children can also make use of Mathletics, Reading Eggs, Times Table Rockstars and Rising Stars (Year 6) or complete tasks from their half termly topic homework while they are isolating at home.

## Congratulations!

Huge congratulations to Ms Speer from Ladybird class and her partner who are celebrating the birth of their beautiful daughter Darcee! Enjoy your maternity leave Ms Speer, we'll see you soon.



## F@B Update

### Nature Garden Tote Bags

Local artist and illustrator, Rebecca Lea Williams, has designed some beautiful tote bags celebrating our very own nature garden. Whether you're looking for a special Christmas present or simply want to treat yourself, visit <http://bit.ly/3FZKBYT> to buy one today. All proceeds will be donated to F@B.

### Winter Raffle

Don't forget to buy your tickets for the Winter Raffle! We've got dance classes, skating lessons, a ten-pin bowling voucher, a babysitter, a gardener, a bottle of champagne and much, much more to be won. You can enter for just 50p at <http://bit.ly/32zTgmz>

### Christmas Trees

Dulwich Pot and Plant Garden (next to North Dulwich Station) are now selling Christmas trees and will donate £6 to F@B for every tree purchased quoting code BE21. Get yours before they sell out!

## Celebrations!

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week	Scientist of the Week
Rainbow	Johnny	Evie	Grace		
Sunshine	Isaac	Harris	Helene		
Moonbeam	Elliot	Adam	Zahra		
1AM	Leila	Ismay	Wolfie	Alessandro	
1EB	Ben	Talya	Agibu	Jake	Beau
1NS	Alexander	Marco	Mattias	Max	
2JW	Esme	Aishah	Shaydon	Leo	Harley
2LT	Nicolas	Paul	William	Mariatu	
2OF	Lacey	Amelia	Sam	Matthew	
3LM	Azariah	Michael	Akila	Fayo	
3CB	Neron	AJ	Violet	Milo	Isabel
3LS	George	Mahnaz	Tiger	Poppy	
4SB	Flora	Nathaniel	Jeanne	Edie	
4KL	Tate	Khadijah	Lekha	Cyra	
4HB	Amber	Yousuf	Princess	Lukas	Amani
4JB		Florence	Summer	Yousef	
5RS	5RS	Abdul K	Elizabeth	Raheemah	Lilith
5AC	Yasmin	Samantha	Simba	Tomai	
5LW	Osman	Fergus	Xavier	Joshua	Thomas
5JK		Nyeem		Samuel	
6MS	Joe	Chako	Navjot	Kyrane	Kyrie
6YH	Stella	Lamiah	Logan	Jacob	
6SB	Ollie	Ralph	Nasir	Dominic	

Timetable Rockstars	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
		George	Ozgur	Freya	Alice	Isaac

Timetable Rockstars winning classes: 2OF, 4KL and 6SB

This week's house winners: **Sapphires!**

Have a great Weekend!

*Elizabeth*