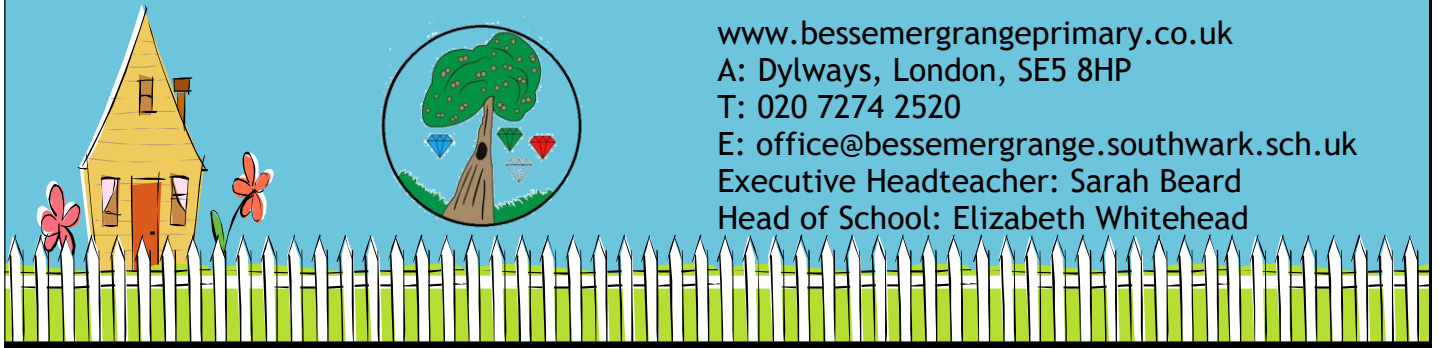


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Dates for your Diary

Friday 11th February - Tutorial Day, school closed for children

Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February - Half term break

Monday 21st February - Children return to school

Monday 14th March - Year 2 fire concert trip

News and Reminders

Saying Goodbye

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Jodi Charman, who is moving on to develop her career in an exciting new role. Ms Charman has been an invaluable member of our SEND department over the last few years and will be greatly missed, particularly by those children and families for whom she has made such a difference. We wish her all the best at her new school and thank her for everything she has done at Bessemer.

Safer Internet Behaviour

It was safer internet day this week and all of the children learnt about keeping themselves safe while using the internet. Please can you continue this at home by talking to children about the ways in which they are allowed to use the internet, what they should do if they see something that makes them uncomfortable, and how they can try to avoid this by being careful what they search for, for example we have been told that some children are talking about having seen upsetting videos entitled 'Huggy Wuggy', which initially sound child-friendly, but are quite frightening.

Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property in school at the moment, including uniform, coats and water bottles. During tutorial day tomorrow, lost property boxes will be left in the entrance lobby outside the bottom hall, please have a look for any missing belongings.

Parenting Support

There are some fliers attached alongside this newsletter for *Being a Parent-Enjoying Family Life* groups starting w/c 25th April 2022. They are looking for 34 more parents who may be struggling with their emotional wellbeing and worried about their child's behaviour. Groups will be run in person and online over 9-10 weeks for two hours and will cover topics such as managing stress, positive parenting, play and communication.

The *Being a Parent* group has also shared some new advertisement resources, including Youtube videos: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tmk7j-79wLs> and a new study website for parents: <https://bap-efl.squarespace.com/>

Interested parents can sign up using the following link:

https://kclbs.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3IuWeTjmKHZaKYC or this email address: ellie.baker@kcl.ac.uk

A Message from Dulwich Street Space

Dulwich Streetspace Review update - February 2022

Last year we worked with the Dulwich community and our stakeholders, listening to suggestions on how we can improve the experimental Dulwich Streetspace measures to ensure they work for the whole community. Whilst opinions varied on the changes, the process was comprehensive. Thank you for your contribution to that process.

Alignment with school streets - We will continue to align the timed restrictions with the principles of school streets and active travel to local schools. We encourage you to use active travel such as walking, cycling and public transport for your school journey.

What is new?

The council confirms that traffic orders for the changes were made on 10 February, 2022: These orders will come into force on 17 February 2022.

The main changes and improvements

- **Timed Restrictions:** Hours of timed restrictions reduced from 5 hours to 2.5 hours (8.00 to 9.00am and 3.00pm to 4.30pm)
- **Exemption for Southwark Blue Badge Holders (by application) and Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Travel- [How can I apply](#)**
- **Improved Access for Emergency Services** at Calton Avenue/Court Lane and Derwent Grove
- **Improved Signage**

Where can I read more information : [Dulwich Streetspace](#)

Word of the Week

The Word of the Week this week is **alleviate**. Please help your child to find out the meaning of the word and perhaps research its origin, then try to use it as much as possible so that it becomes part of their vocabulary. You could also try adding different suffixes, e.g. **alleviated**, **alleviating**. Children will receive gems for using the word in their speech and writing after half term and for explaining its meaning and origin.

Sharing Children's Learning

Children in 3CB made a fantastic model of a volcano as part of last half term's topic:



You will receive your child's half termly topic homework tomorrow, here is another great example of some topic based home learning, an arctic model from Year 1:



Sharing Children's Learning

For our children's final session with Danny from LPESSN, we used the gymnastics apparatus. The children had an amazing time developing their motor skills by sliding, swinging and climbing!



Celebrations!

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week	Scientist of the Week
Rainbow	Theo	Ellie	Olivia		
Sunshine	Emma	Georgie	Maceo		
Moonbeam	Lucas	Henry	Omar		
1AM	Alessandro	Sophie	Leila	Mikey	Wolfie
1EB	Donatas	Temi	Beau	Felix	
1NS	Stanley	Makai	Alexander	Mattias	
2JW	Remy	Runaah	Lucien	Rose	
2LT	William	Nadia	Nicolas	Theo	Sophie
2OF	Lacey	Salima	Amelia	Camilla	
3LM	Elisa	Arda	Hannah	Andrea	
3CB	Ruby	Gloria	Kelvin	Bailey	Owen L
3LS	Max E	Myriam	Lenny	Khadijah	
3JK		Neron		Emily T	
4SB	Una	Zac	Flora	Haven	
4KL	Silas	Genevieve	Leandra	Lottie	
4HB	Raequan	Amani	Tom	Alex	
4JB		Tom	Edie	Herbie	
5RS	Tillie	Max	Alameen	Lilith	
5AC	Shabir	Leo C	Lily	Dayo	La'Niya
5LW	Zain	Ollie	Freida	Charlotte	
5JK		Shabir		Ibrahim	
6MS	John	Taznim	Fatima	Lex	
6YH	Logan	Irma	Abdullahi	Sofia	
6SB	Sophie	Nathan	Shamiya	Jack	
6LC		Ollie	Shiza	Assiatu	

Timetable Rockstars	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
		Arthur	Faiza	Tom B	Sofia	Tolu

Timetable Rockstars winning classes: 2LT, 3LS and 5LW

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

Have a great half term break!

Elizabeth