

# BESSEMER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## Dates for your Diary

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March - Year 2 fire concert trip

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March - Early Years Celebration Day

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March - Comic Relief

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March - Year 3 trip to The British Museum

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Year 2 maths workshop for parents

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March - school fair

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March - virtual parent workshop - Supporting Children with Fears and Worries (more details in this newsletter)

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April - last day of term

## News and Reminders

### **Easter Club**

As I explained last week, we are unable to run an Easter club this year due to a lack of staffing, so are looking at external providers for Bessemer holiday clubs in the future. If you are looking for holiday clubs for this Easter here are some local providers:

- [www.sportsfocusuk.co.uk](http://www.sportsfocusuk.co.uk) based at Judith Kerr Primary School (see the attached flier) - this is the provider we are considering using at Bessemer in the future.
- <https://whippersnappers.org/kids-and-teens/holiday-playschemes-2/> based at Brockwell Lido.
- [www.jamextendedschools.co.uk/holiday-clubs/](http://www.jamextendedschools.co.uk/holiday-clubs/) based on Red Post Hill (see attached flier and booking form).
- Mini Athletics Superstar Holiday Camp, based in Dulwich Village and Forest Hill, [smcdermott@miniathletics.com](mailto:smcdermott@miniathletics.com) 07811787153, run by Sam who runs the Mini Athletics after school club at Bessemer and who is offering discounts for Bessemer children (see attached flier).
- Soccer Stars FA Easter Holiday Camp based on Peckham Rye, run by Denzil who also coaches at Bessemer, call Denzil on 07522425931.

### **Easter of Food and Fun**

Jam are also running some free holiday activities for children who are entitled to pupil Premium (free school meals). The provision consists of four mornings of activities, outings and lunch from 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> April. Please see the attached flier.

### **Breakfast Club**

If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium then they can attend breakfast club free of charge. Breakfast club starts at 8am and offers bagels, toast, cereal and fruit. If you would like to book a place at Breakfast Club or are unsure of whether you meet the Pupil Premium criteria please contact the school office.

### **Lunch with Steve from ISS**

I have only heard from two parents so far who would like to join the area manager of our catering company, Steve, for lunch on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March. Steve is holding this lunch as part of our work on improving school meal provision so if you would like to come and try a meal, talk to Steve and then feed back informally to other parents please email the office and let us know.

### **Comic Relief**

Next Friday is Red Nose Day and this year's theme is Heroes (Early years have a slightly different theme, although it does include the option of hero dress up, please see their newsletters). Children are invited to dress up as superheroes, whether existing or of their own invention (get creative inventing a superhero and making the costume!), or as anyone that they consider to be a hero, or simply wear something red if they prefer. We will be playing Red Nose Day games in the playgrounds and collecting money for Comic Relief on the gates in the morning.

### **Supporting Children with Fears and Worries: Virtual Parent Workshop**

6.30-7.30pm Wednesday 30/3/22

We know that children have been feeling more anxious since lockdown and school closures, so The Nest, a mental health charity, will be delivering a virtual workshop for parents with tips on how to support your children with their fears and worries.

We will share the link to join the workshop in the following 2 newsletters.

### **Uniform**

There are quite a lot of children in school who are not wearing Bessemer uniform. Our uniform is plain navy bottoms (or black or grey if you can't get navy) with a white polo shirt or shirt and a red jumper or cardigan. On P.E. days children should wear plain navy (or black or grey if necessary) tracksuit bottoms, leggings or shorts with a white polo shirt or a school house t-shirt with their usual red school jumper or cardigan. Children should not be wearing clothes in their house colours (other than the school house t-shirt if they already have one) or patterned tracksuits or leggings, or hoodies / tracksuit tops.

### **Punctuality**

The vast majority of children at Bessemer arrive at school on time in the mornings and are ready to engage in lessons as soon as they start. Children who are late, even by just a few minutes miss the beginning of lessons and are therefore disadvantaged. All children should arrive at school by 8.55 so they are ready to go in to school at 9am.

## **Readathon**

A huge well done to everyone who participated in the readathon, we have raised over £1,500.00 for books for hospitals, thank you!

## **Southwark Libraries**

We have some assemblies planned for next week which will be delivered by staff from Southwark libraries to encourage children to get reading and use their local library. Please see the attached Southwark Libraries flier.

## **Bikes and Scooters - a request from our neighbours**

If your child rides a bike or scooter to school and rides on the pavement, please could you remind them to look out for pedestrians, especially at busy times when the pavements are crowded and not to ride so fast that they are unable to stop quickly if necessary.

## **Toilet Roll Tubes Needed**

Bessemer Club are planning a craft project that requires a lot of cardboard toilet roll tubes. We will be collecting them in the school office, thank you!

## **Word of the Week**

The Word of the Week this week is **secluded**. 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. Children will receive gems for using the word in their speech and writing and for explaining its meaning and origin.

## **Spring Fair - Help Needed!**

As our first school fair in more than two years approaches (26 March, mark your diaries) we need you more than ever! Please help make it an event to remember by giving:

- Time on the day. Sign up in the school office, or send a message to Lucy on 07949 439 360.

We need volunteers for the following shifts:

9.00-12.00 (help setting up)

12.00-1.30 (help on a stall)

1.30-3.00 (help on a stall)

3.00-5.30 (help tidy up)

- Chocolate. Bring your choccy donations to the school office, for the Chocolate Tombola. From individual bars to big selection boxes, everything is very welcome!

- Soft toys. We need good quality, pre-loved soft toys for the Teddy Tombola. It's the perfect way to have a clear-out! Please bring your fluffy friends to the school office.

- Nail varnish. We would love to inherit your half-used nail varnishes for our nail bar. Please bring bottles to the school office - make sure the lids are on firmly!



Children in Years 1 and 2 enjoyed meeting some interesting animals when Zoolab came to visit this week. Here are some pictures from Year 2:





Year 1's Zoolab pictures:



Continuing with the animal theme, children in Year 4 were very excited to discover some frogs in the nature garden this week! They counted nine altogether, but there might be more!



## Celebrations!

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week	Scientist of the Week
Rainbow	Ruby	Gwen	Grace		
Sunshine	Dylan	Bella	Isaac		
Moonbeam	Adam	Yaseerah	Ivor		
1AM	Wolfie	Sarah	Lina	Oscar	Leonel
1EB	Alex	Ben	Agnes	Nikolas	
1NS	Jacob	Mohammed	Charlotte	Elliot	
2JW	Aubrey	Tobias	Harley	Lucien	
2LT	Sophie	George	Mariatu	Sofia	Sophie
2OF	Matthew	Ethan	Rene	Salima	
3LM	Kitty	Azariah	Ali	Luka	
3CB	Kelvin	Isaac	Gloria	Emily	Sami
3LS	Myriam	Molly	George	Jacob	
4SB	Sophie	Othniel	Tosita	Leo	Zahid
4KL	Rose	Brogan	Abdulai	Christobel	
4HB	Toren	Princess	Buster	Summer	
4JB		Silas	Grace	Haven	
5RS	Bobbi-Rae	Woody	Sofia	Jasper	
5AC	Kate	Lukas	Shabir	Alex	Dora
5LW	Alexia	Ollie	Jacob	Amelia	
6MS	Latrell	Guillermo	Amy	Joe	Dom
6YH	Jacob	Ralph	Lois	Stella	
6SB	Tassie	Leah	Ashlei	Dominik	
6LC		Lois	Harley	Mya	

Timetable Rockstars	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
		George	Neron	Emma	David	Jacob C

Timetable Rockstars winning classes: 2JW, 4HB and 6MS

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

Have a great Weekend!

*Elizabeth*





4th - 14th April 2022

# Easter Holiday Club

Easter arts and crafts  
Easter Cooking club

Indoor and  
outdoor activities  
Fun and games

Vauxhall City Farm  
Circus Skills Workshop

Peckham Rye Park  
Battersea Park  
Oxleas Wood

Fully qualified and DBS checked staff

020 8761 4943    07908 160 128

jamtrainingandeducation@gmail.com

[www.jamextendedschools.co.uk/holiday-clubs/](http://www.jamextendedschools.co.uk/holiday-clubs/)





## JAM EXTENDED SCHOOLS EASTER OF FOOD & FUN HOLIDAY CLUB

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<b>ACTIVITIES</b>  <b>4<sup>TH</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>930am - 130pm</b>	<b>SPRING IS COMING</b> DECORATE A PLANTER THEN CHOOSE SEEDS AND WATCH THEM GROW.  <b>SUNRAY PARK</b> VISIT THIS FAVOURITE SWING PARK.	<b>RUSKIN PARK</b> FUN & GAMES IN A LOCAL PARK	<b>COOKING DAY</b> CHOOSE FRUIT TO MAKE A FRESH FRUIT SALAD MAKE YOUR OWN PIZZA FOR LUNCH  <b>HALL GAMES</b>	<b>EASTER FUN DAY</b> <b>ARTS &amp; CRAFTS</b> MAKE AN EASTER BUNNY MASK DECORATE EASTER CARDS  <b>SUNRAY PARK VISIT</b>
PLEASE TICK				

CHILD'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ PARENTS MOBILE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

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# JAM EXTENDED SCHOOLS EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

DON'T FORGET YOUR PACKED LUNCH AND WET WEATHER WEAR!



## WK 1 HALF MOON LANE MONTESSORI

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>ACTIVITIES WEEK 1</b>  4 <sup>TH</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SPRING IS COMING</b> DECORATE A PLANTER THEN CHOOSE SEEDS AND WATCH THEM GROW.  <b>RUSKIN PARK</b> VISIT THIS FAVOURITE SWING PARK.	<b>COME WITH US TO VAUXHALL CITY FARM</b> DAY TRIP	<b>AM - CIRCUS SKILLS WORKSHOP</b> LEARN HOW TO BE A CIRCUS PERFORMER <a href="http://www.primaryworkshopsforschools.com/workshop/circus-skills-workshop/">www.primaryworkshopsforschools.com/workshop/circus-skills-workshop/</a>  <b>PM - VISIT A LOCAL PARK FOR FUN AND GAMES</b>	<b>EASTER FUN DAY COOKING AND ARTS &amp; CRAFTS</b> MAKE EASTER CAKES MAKE AN EASTER BUNNY MASK EASTER BISCUIT MAKING DECORATE EASTER CARDS	<b>PECKHAM RYE PARK</b> DAY TRIP RUN, JUMP, PLAY THE DAY AWAY
PLEASE TICK					

## WK 2 RED POST HILL CHURCH

<b>ACTIVITIES WEEK 2</b>  11 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BATTERSEA PARK</b> PLAY THE DAY AWAY IN A HUGE PARK. CHECK OUT THE POND AND PLAY OUTDOOR GAMES.	<b>OXLEAS WOOD</b> COME TO SHOOTERS HILL AND EXPLORE THIS ANCIENT FOREST	<b>EASTER FUN DAY COOKING AND ARTS &amp; CRAFTS</b> MAKE EASTER CAKES ENJOY OUR EGG HUNT MAKE AN EASTER BUNNY MASK EASTER BISCUIT MAKING & DECORATING DECORATE EASTER CARDS	<b>MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR</b> JOIN MARK ON AN ADVENTURE	<b>BANK HOLIDAY GOOD FRIDAY</b>
PLEASE TICK					

CHILD'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ PARENTS MOBILE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNING THIS FORM CONFIRMS THAT YOU AGREE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF JAM EXTENDED SCHOOLS.

**ALL TRIPS DEPENDANT ON WEATHER, STAFF, GOV GUIDENCE AND ATTENDANCE**

£35 PER CHILD PER DAY, PLEASE PAY THE FULL AMOUNT IN ADVANCE USING YOUR CHILDS NAME AS THE REFERENCE

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# Library Treasure Hunt



**Where is your nearest library?**

[Find a library - Southwark Council](#)

**Do you have a library card? Don't forget to bring it, if you do.**

**If you don't have a card yet, you can join online here:**

[Become a member - Southwark Council](#)

**In the library, can you find?**

**A book about a country?**

**A book about an animal?**

**A book by an author whose surname begins with the same letter as yours?**

**Did you see something new to borrow?**

For a chance to win a prize, ask a grown up to take a photo of the book you borrowed from the library, with a short piece of writing explaining why you picked it, what you thought about it, and your name, age and class.

Email [amy@houtenbos2@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:amy@houtenbos2@southwark.gov.uk)

 @southwarklibs

 southwark.gov.uk/libraries

  
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# SPORTS FOCUS COACHING

## Easter Camp

Easter Egg  
Hunts  
& Prizes



Nerf Guns Yoga Football Floor is Lava Arts & Crafts Lego Club

Where: Judith Kerr Primary School, Herne Hill  
Ages: Reception - Year 6

Monday, 4th April - Friday, 8th April



Timings & Prices  
9:00 - 12:00 £20  
12:00 - 15:00 £20  
9:00 - 15:00 £30



Dodge Ball Cricket Athletics Tennis Forest School & More!



Spaces are limited

To book

[www.sportsfocusuk.co.uk](http://www.sportsfocusuk.co.uk)

For further info

Email: [info@sportsfocusuk.co.uk](mailto:info@sportsfocusuk.co.uk) or Call: 07946 007937



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The logo for Mini Athletics is enclosed in a circular frame with a red and gold border. The text 'MINI ATHLETICS' is written in a colorful, playful font. 'MINI' is in blue and yellow, while 'ATHLETICS' is in red, yellow, and green. Below the text is a stylized red and white swoosh.

**MINI  
ATHLETICS**

A red banner with a gold border and a ribbon-like shape, containing the text 'SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY CAMP' in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

**SUPERSTAR  
HOLIDAY CAMP**



## **The Mini Athletics Superstar Holiday Camp**

- 3 hours each day holiday camp
- Parent attendance not needed
- Ages 4-8
- Fantastic daily themes...from exploring the jungle to blasting off in space
- Mini Athletics games and crafting
- Superstar personal bests with an end of camp certificate detailing their amazing times and measurements.

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THE SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY CAMP**



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