Bessemer Primary School Newsletter



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Dates for your Diary

Friday 12th May 2023

15.05.23 - 19.05.23 - Year 2 SATs

- 15.05.23 17.05.23 Year 6 residential trip to The Bushcraft Centre
- 17.05.23 Year 5 trip to Alleyn's Space lecture
- 17.05.23 Year 1 trip to The Horniman Museum
- 22.05.23 Year 4 trip to The British Museum
- 23.05.23 Year 6 trip to The Science Museum
- 23.05.23 Reception trip to Sainsbury's
- 26.05.23 Year 1 Singing Festival (JAGS)
- 06.06.23 Year 6 trip to The Old Operating Theatre
- 06.06.23 3LM pizza making workshop at Pizza Express
- 07.06.23 3CB pizza making workshop at Pizza Express
- 08.06.23 Year 2 trip to the seaside (Whitstable)
- 12.06.23 16.06.23 Year 4 multiplication check
- 12.06.23 16.06.23 Year 1 phonics screening / Year 2 rescreening
- 22.06.23 National Windrush Day (75th anniversary)
- 29.06.23 Nursery trip to The Horniman Museum
- 04.07.23 Year 6 to Author talk at Alleyn's
- 05.07.23 3SB pizza making workshop at Pizza Express
- 07.07.23 Early Years and KS1 sports day
- 10.07.23 KS2 sports day
- 14.07.23 Carnival
- 15.07.23 Summer fair
- 18.07.23 Year 6 performance
- 19.07.23 Year 6 graduation and disco
- 21.07.23 Last day of term, 2pm finish

Class Assembly Dates

| Friday 26 th May | 1EB | Friday 19 th May | |
|------------------------------|-----|------------------------------|-----|
| Friday 30 th June | 6MS | Friday 23 rd June | 4YH |

Library Visits

| | 10:00- 10:40 | 11:00 - 11:40 |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Thurs 18 th May | 1FP | 5RS |
| Fri 19 th May | Butterflies | Lauren Todd's English group |
| Thurs 25 th May | 6AC | 6MS |
| Fri 26 th May | 4YH | 6CB |

News and Reminders

Attendance

Our school target for attendance is 96%, which most children achieve each year. Attendance is important to us as it is directly related to children's academic success and social and emotional wellbeing in school. We understand that sometimes children will miss school if they are really unwell or very occasionally for other exceptional circumstances, but please do not request permission for absence for reasons such as holidays as we are unable to authorise these.



Key Stage 2 SATS

Children in Year 6 have been taking their SATs this week and we are all very proud of the way that they have coped. We received a local authority monitoring visit during one of the papers and the feedback was enormously positive, with our children being complimented on how calm and engaged they were during the test. We certainly couldn't have asked for more from anyone, everyone tried their best and remained positive throughout, well done Year 6!

School Journey

Following their SATs this week children in Year 6 are off on their residential trip next week. They will be spending three days at The Bushcraft Centre taking part in a range of exciting activities – make sure you check our Twitter feed for updates!

If your child is in Year 6 please make sure that they arrive in school at 8am on Monday morning with all of the essential kit. If you find you are missing any kit at the last minute please go straight to the office or a Year 6 teacher at 8am. Please make sure that you have read the final reminder email sent out on Wednesday which contained information about medication, a reminder of the kit list and other important details.

Twitter

If you don't already do so, please follow us on Twitter! As well as receiving school journey updates and pictures from other school trips and visits Twitter provides a window into our creative and practical curriculum so that you can see examples of the fantastic teaching and learning going on across the school.

Library Visits

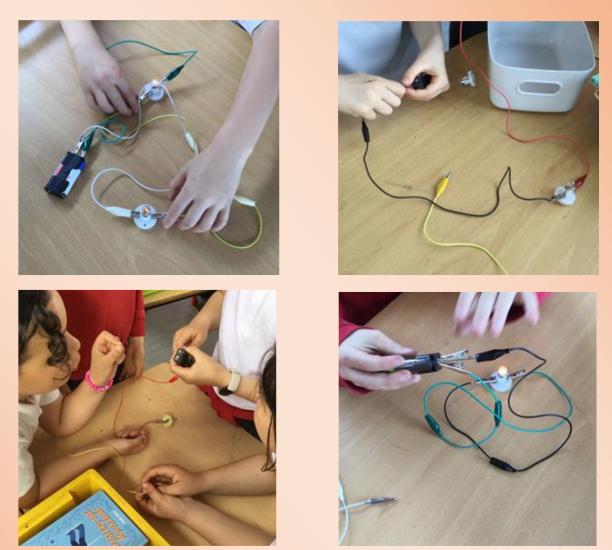
As you know, all of our classes visit the local library every half term. We really need parents and carers to help out with these visits, particularly in the younger age groups. The visits usually only take an hour, so if you or another family member such as a grandparent are able to come along please let your child's teacher know.

Bikes and Scooters

If you park your child's bike or scooter in the school bike parks please consider using a bike lock, particularly in the bike park inside the red gate. While all school gates are secured during the day, they are open at drop off and pick up time and unfortunately occasionally bikes and scooters go missing.

Sharing Children's Learning

This term children in Year 4 have been enjoying their new science topic *Electricity*. In class they have been building circuits:



This week the Year 4 children deepened their understanding of their *Electricity* topic and other areas of science with a trip to the Science Museum:





Sharing Children's Learning













Word of the Week

The Word of the Week next week is **immense.** Please help your child to find out the meaning of the word and try using it in different ways in sentences.

You could also research the origins of the word and see if you can think of any related words with the same origin.

Try to use the word of the week as much as possible so that it becomes part of your child's vocabulary. Children will receive gems for using the word in their speech and writing and for explaining its meaning and origin.

F@B Update

Next Friday after school we are running a F@B stall with school uniform, swim kit and beach towels!

Come along on the day to share your donations and pick up a bargain. You can also drop off donations at the school office.

It's a brilliant way to boost recycling and support Bessemer fundraising too.

Speaking of which we've had some very generous donations come in this week. Lots of people wanted to help after reading about the impact of budget cuts at Bessemer. We are so grateful for the donations and offers to help F@B by joining our volunteers WhatsApp group.

If you'd like to help you can give online at People's Fundraising: https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/friends-at-bessemer

Or join the F@B WhatsApp team: https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ld4xuFj6Gzi3QQetELlaf7

Thank you!

E-Safety Tip of the Week

Advice for parents of under 5s:

With 86% of children aged 3-4 having access to a tablet at home and 21% having their own tablet, many parents wonder how to ensure they are keeping their child safe online and teaching them good habits for technology use. For advice about setting boundaries for screen time, ways to share time online together, suggested apps and parental controls, you can visit the following website:

https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/keeping-young-children-safe-online/





Celebrations!



Certificates

| | Star | Writer | Mathematician | Presenter | Scientist |
|----------|------------|----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Rainbow | Tilly | Nia | Nathan | | Benjamin |
| Sunshine | Teodor | Sorrel | Leila | | |
| 1AM | Aymar | Abdulai | Ferhot | Ramsay | Casper |
| 1EB | Stephany | Ibrahim | Ava | Taylan | |
| 1NS | Bella | Zahra | Jules | Rayha | |
| 2FW | Isiaih | Stiven | Phoenix S | Makai | |
| 2LS | Agnes | Eustache | Grace | Leonel | Felix |
| 20F | Richard | Alex | Agnes | Matilda | |
| 3LM | Adam | Abass | Amelia | Camila | Sam |
| 3CB | Elijah | Alkyoni | William | Holly | |
| 3SB | Noah | Remy | Stella-Lucia | Esme | |
| 4KL | Polly | Sophie | Bailey | Eve | Isabel |
| 4YH | Fayo | Andrea | Florence | Elisa | |
| 4FM | George | Lucia | Myriam | Тауо | |
| 5JB | Leo | Killian | Olivia | Alex | Keran |
| 5RS | Tani | Brogan | Heidi | Dexter | Jeanne |
| 5LW | Cyra | Tofunmi | Sophie | Yusuf | |
| 6MS | Leo | | Nife | Bradley | Dora |
| | All of 6MS | | | | |
| 6CB | Victoria | | Serene | Ollie | |
| | All of 6CB | | | | |
| 6AC | Tillie | | David | | Lilith |
| | All of 6AC | | | | |

Individual Timestable Rockstars

| Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|-------------------|--------|-------------------|--------|--|--|
| Rayha | Agnes R | Abemelek | Molly | Pearl | Patsy | | |
| Timestable Rockstars Winning Classes | | | | | | | |
| Key Stage 1 | | Lower Key Stage 2 | | Upper Key Stage 2 | | | |
| 2FW | | 4KL | | 5RS | | | |

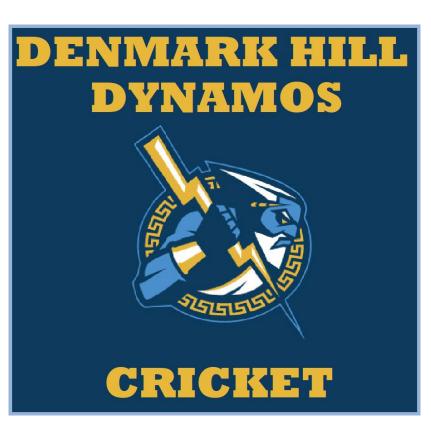
This week's house winners: Sapphires!





Have a great weekend!

Elizabeth



SUMMER COMMUNITY SESSIONS

FRIDAYS 7.00pm-8.00pm

19th May until 28th July 2023 (10 weeks)

RUSKIN PARK, FERNDENE ROAD, DENMARK HILL, SE5 9BD

- All sessions are free to students from Denmark Hill Primary Schools
- Open to boys and girls
- Level 2 qualified & DBS checked coaches
- Opportunities to take part in competitive matches



Please contact Jonathan Rodda (Hub Supervisor) to confirm your place: 07946 229 849 / jonathanrodda@msn.com