

Bessemer Primary School Newsletter



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Dates for your Diary

Friday 31st March 2023

- 31.03.23 – Last day of term
- 31.03.23 – F@B Easter egg hunt and cake sale after school
- 17.04.23 – Children return to school
- 21.04.23 – School council bake sale after school
- 28.04.23 – F@B Eid celebration
- 26.05.23 – Year 1 Singing Festival

Class Assembly Dates

Parents and carers are invited to watch their child's assembly at 9.15 on the dates below. Assemblies will last approximately 15 minutes.

Friday 24 th February	3CB	Friday 3 rd February	6AC
Friday 17 th March	5JB	Friday 10 th March	2FW
Friday 31 st March	1NS	Friday 21 st April	4KL
Friday 12 th May	5LW	Friday 5 th May	2OF
Friday 26 th May	1FP	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 20 th April	1NS	2JW
Fri 21 st April	Ladybirds	4FM
Thurs 27 th April	1AM	2OF
Fri 28 th April	Sunshine	2LS
Thurs 4 th May	Little Stars	5LW
Fri 5 th May	Rainbow	5JB
Thurs 11 th May	3LM	4KL
Fri 12 th May	3CB	3SB
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

After School Activity Clubs

Booking for after school activity clubs for the summer term will reopen at 4pm today. You can now book as many clubs as you would like.

Most clubs will start in the week beginning 24th April, except Netball club which will start on 15th May and only run for 9 weeks. Other Monday clubs will miss two weeks for bank holidays so will continue to run for two weeks after the other clubs finish.

New Kindness Tree

A huge thank you to one of our parents, Gill Rocca, who came in to school to paint a new kindness tree in the Year 5 and 6 building. The kindness tree is part of our rewards system; leaves with the children's names and kind deeds on are added to the tree to celebrate children's acts of kindness. We have had a tree in the main building for a few years and are now very happy to have this beautiful new version so that the Year 5 and 6 children get to see their tree more often.



Items needed for School Journey

Next term children in Year 6 are going on their residential trip to The Bushcraft Centre where they spend three days camping and taking part in exciting outdoor activities. If you have any of the following items that you would be prepared to lend to children who do not have all of the necessary equipment please could you ensure they are clearly named and then take them to the school office where they will be very gratefully received.

- Sleeping bags
- Roll mats
- Torches
- Walking boots
- Rucksacks

Thank you!

News and Reminders

House Winners

This term our house winners are Diamonds, so a huge well done to all the children in Diamond house! Children compete for the house prize throughout the term, winning gems for good behaviour, effort or achievement in class, using the word of the week and completing home learning. The house totals are announced in assembly each week and running totals are displayed on our website.

The prize this term was a trip to Dulwich Picture House cinema and all the Diamonds had a great time:



Easter Holiday Activities

There are some flyers attached alongside this newsletter for a range of Easter holiday activities for children of various ages including cycling, girls' football, stay and play, arts and crafts, holiday club and Easter egg hunts.



Easter Holiday Food Vouchers

Food vouchers for the Easter holiday for children entitled to Pupil Premium will be sent out today to all eligible families.

Sharing Children's Learning

All classes in Key Stage 2 have elected representatives on our school council, which is run by Kate Lewis. This year the school council have established themselves as an eco-council.

A message from Eco-Council:

This year, Bessemer school council has been working to make the school more eco-friendly.

As part of the Great British Spring Clean, organised by Keep Britain Tidy, this week Year 3 and 4 children went litter picking around the Greendale area and there was a lot of rubbish to pick up! We managed to get 2 whole bags full.



We are going to run a bake sale on 21st April at 3.30pm to raise money for Greenpeace. We have chosen Greenpeace because they help the environment in many ways!

Please feel free to donate some cakes or biscuits to our stall, or just come and buy some sweet treats!

Thanks,

From Eco-Council

Sharing Children's Learning

Children in Year 5 enjoyed a Mexican day this week as part of their *Mexico* topic:



Children in Year 4 concluded their *Vikings* topic with a Design and Technology day:



Word of the Week

The aim of our *Word of The Week* is to develop children's vocabularies, making their language richer and more expressive. The more that children use the words of the week the more comfortable they feel using them and the more they will naturally use them in their speech and writing. Here is a reminder of this half term's words of the week to practise using over the holiday:

meagre

spectacular

elated

decline

prudent

You could encourage your children to use these words in sentences, ask them to look up the meanings or origins, or make up games to play with them, e.g. making your own word searches or crosswords.

F@B Update



We're looking forward to this afternoon's fundraising cake sale and hope to see you there!

Next term we are planning some more really exciting events... We've postponed our Egg hunt (due to rainy weather) and will have that on the first week back - Friday 21 April. We are busy planning a very special Eid celebration on Friday 28 April and a World Food event after school on Friday 26 May. Plus we're getting Summer Fair plans together - date TBC, watch this space!

Today we're saying goodbye to an amazing member of the F@B team. Izzy Ardizzone has done lots of events and fundraising that brought our school community together - both in person and also virtually during the lockdown, including the brilliant Bessemer's Got Talent! Thank you Izzy and good luck with everything!

E-Safety Tip of the Week



It has been announced that games regulators will now display a warning if a game contains 'Loot Boxes', but what are 'Loot Boxes', and what do the new changes mean for parents and gamers?

Read more by following this web-link:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/loot-box-warnings-to-be-included-in-video-games>



Celebrations!

Certificates

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week	Scientist of the Week
Rainbow	Maliyah	Sadie	Lariah		
Sunshine	Louie	Jeremiah	Eleanore	Vincent	
1AM	Amina	Casper	Grace	Aymar	
1EB	Adam	Henry	Helene	Louis	Ivor
1NS	Manon	Temu	Nathaniel	Louie	
2FW	Marco	Max	Otis	Wilfred	
2LS	Alessandro	Valentina	Wolfie	Leila	Mikey
2OF	Salome	Maia	Matilda	Talya	Faye
3LM	Olivia	Kyanna	Abass	Daniel	
3CB	Mariatu	Callum	Sophie	Alkyoni	
3SB	Lucien	Harley	Johnny	Aubrey	Uriel
4KL	Owen W		A.J.	Amelia	
4YH	Edward	Miley	Bryan	Fayo	
4FM	Virtue	Ezekiel	Lenny	Max E	
5RS	Dexter	Otis	Tani	Jake	
5JB	Max	Amani	Freya	Olesia	
5LW	Tate	Zadie	Cyra	Flora	
6MS	Dayo	Tomai	Alex	Kobi	
6CB	Fergus	Serene	Georgia	Victoria	Kayla
6AC	Alameen	Jaanai	Lola	Samira	

Timestable Rockstars

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Jules	Agnes W	Nicolas	Valentina	Ainoa	Bobbie-Rae

Timestable Rockstars winning classes: **2LS**, **3SB** and **6CB**

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



Thank you for all of your support this half term, have a fun and restful holiday!

Elizabeth