

Bessemer Primary School Newsletter



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Dates for your Diary

Friday 21st June 2024

Term Dates 2023-2024

September 2023							October 2023							November 2023							December 2023						
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January 2024							February 2024							March 2024							April 2024						
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May 2024							June 2024							July 2024							August 2024						
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School Holidays	INSET Days	Tutorial Day	Bank Holidays
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2024 Class Assembly Dates

		25/1/24	2JW
1/2/24	6AC	8/2/24	6LM
7/3/24	2LT	14/3/24	1NS
21/3/24	6SB	28/3/24	3KL
2/5/24	5RS	9/5/24	2LS
16/5/24	3NI	23/5/24	5OF
20/6/24		27/6/24	4VG

Class assemblies are on Thursdays at 9.15 and last for approximately 15 minutes. Parents and carers are invited to come along and find out more about their children's learning across the curriculum.

Dates for your Diary

25.06.24 – Year 4 to author talk at JAGS
28.06.24 – Year 6 Ruskin Park trip
01.07.24 – New Reception parents' meeting
01.07.24 – Reception trip to Crystal Palace Park (SS & ½ of MB)
04.07.24 – 3NI and 3KL trip to Natural History Museum
04.07.24 – Year 2 trip to The Science Museum (2LS & ½ of 2LT)
05.07.24 – Year 2 trip to The Science Museum (2JW & ½ of 2LT)
05.07.24 – Year 6 enterprise project sale, 3.15pm
08.07.24 – Reception trip to Crystal Palace Park (RB & ½ of MB)
10.07.24 – EYs and KS1 sports day
11.07.24 – KS2 sports day
12.07.24 – New Reception starters picnic, 12 - 1pm
12.07.24 – Reception to Year 1 transition meeting 9.15am
12.07.24 – Year 6 Peckham Rye Park trip
13.07.24 – Summer Fair, 12-3pm
16.07.24 – Nursery trip to Ruskin Park
16.07.24 – Year 6 performance 6pm
19.07.24 – Carnival 2.30pm
22.07.24 – Year 6 trip to Oxygen
23.07.24 – Year 6 graduation 2.15pm
24.07.24 – Class parties
24.07.24 – Year 6 disco
25.07.24 – Last day of term, 2pm finish

Summer Term Library Visit Dates

	10:20- 11
Thurs 16 th May	3KL
Fri 17 th May	1AM
Thurs 23 rd May	2LS
Fri 24 th May	3NI
Thurs 6 th June	2JW
Fri 7 th June	2LT
Thurs 13 th Jun	1NS
Fri 14 th June	3/4CB
Thurs 21 st June	5RS
Fri 22 nd June	5FM
Thurs 27 th Jun	Rainbow
Fri 28 th June	4VG
Thurs 4 th July	5OF
Fri 5 th July	Moonbeam
Thursday 11 th July	Sunshine
Friday 12 th July	4BC
Thursday 18 th July	6LM
Friday 19 th July	6AC and 6SB

News and Reminders

Year 4 Author Talk

On the morning of Tuesday 25th June Year 4 will be going to JAGS to meet the author Joseph Elliott, in celebration of the launch of his new book *Nora and the Map of Mayhem*. You can find out more about it here: <https://www.thebookseller.com/rights/piccadilly-press-snaps-up-elliotts-outrageously-funny-new-middle-grade-series>

Cricket Tournament

Bessemer was invited to take part in a cricket tournament for children in Year 6 this week. Unfortunately our Year 6 children were on school journey, so we took a team of children from Years 4 and 5 instead, hoping they could hold their own against the Year 6s from other schools. We're very proud to say that they did more than that and came back triumphant, having won the tournament! Well done to all of them!



Sports Days

Sports days will be taking place on 10th July (Reception and Key Stage One) and 11th July (Key Stage Two). As usual sports days will take place on the JAGS field and parents and carers are invited to join us from 9.30am. Most events will take place in the mornings, parents and carers are then welcome to stay for a picnic lunch on the field before the final events for KS1 and KS2 take place in the afternoon. Reception children will return to class after lunch for the remainder of the afternoon.

Please do try to come along for as much of the day as you can and bring a blanket and picnic to enjoy lunch with your child. If you are able to stay for lunch we ask that you bring your child's lunch with your own picnic rather than giving it to your child in the morning as this makes the organization of the day much easier.

Children will not be getting hot school lunches on sports day so if you are not bringing a picnic it is essential that you order a school packed lunch for your child. Please make sure that you do this by Monday 1st July.

Nursery sports day will take place in the Early Years playground between 9.15 and 10.00am on 10th July, parents and carers are invited to come and join in!

Spanish Day

Yesterday was Spanish Day! KS2 classes had their weekly Spanish lesson while KS1 tried out some Spanish words, we had Spanish assemblies and ate paella for lunch while listening to Spanish music.



Sharing Children's Learning

Demonstrating our core values of being *Academically Ambitious* and *Creative and Practical*

To complete their *Food and Agriculture* topic, children in Years 3 and 4 have been making soup. While I didn't get to try them all, the ones I did taste were delicious!



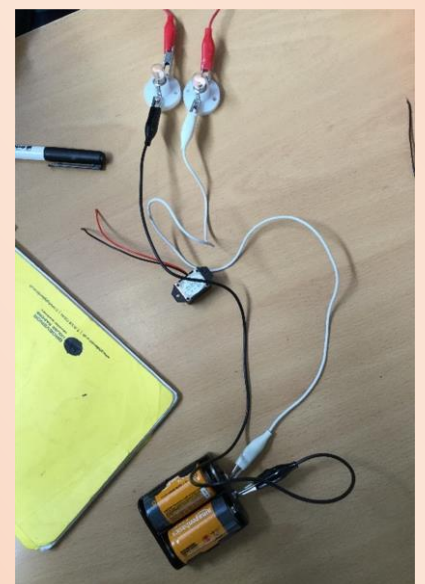
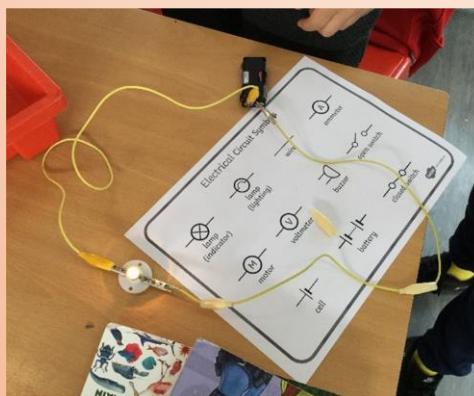
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The fruit and vegetable theme continued as the children made collages based on the art work of Guiseppe Archimboldo.



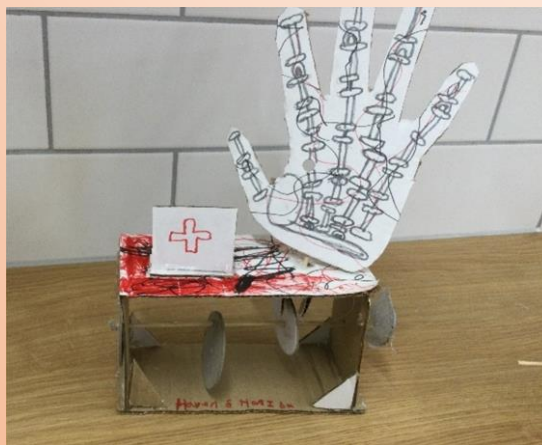
Children in Years 3 and 4 have also been learning how to build circuits in their physics lessons:



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Last week children in Year 6 completed their Design and Technology project, making their own toys using a cam shaft.



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Children in 4VG, 4BC and 3/4CB went to the Natural History Museum yesterday to find out more about their new topic, *Oceans*. They really enjoyed their Oceans workshop and then had a great time looking around the museum, finding examples of ocean life.



Children in Year 1 also went out on a trip this week and had a great day at The Science Museum, unfortunately we don't have any photos of their day, but they had a lovely time finding out more about their *History of Flight* topic.

School Journey

Children in Year 6 went on their residential trip this week. They spent three days and two nights at Essex Outdoors in Mersea, staying in tents and taking part in a range of exciting activities. Everyone had a wonderful time!



Word of the Week

Read the riddle and try to work out the Word of the Week from the clues. Tell your teacher what you think the word is on Monday, if you're right you'll get a gem! We'll announce the answer in assembly on Tuesday next week. Remember to use the Word of the Week as much as you can in your speech and writing to earn more gems and to make the word a permanent part of your vocabulary!

Find me under m, I'm an adjective.

I have eleven letters.

Synonyms for me include excellent, impressive and brilliant.

My last four letters are a unit of currency in the USA (and a number of other countries).

Can you use these clues to guess the Word of the Week?

The answer to last week's riddle was **timid** - did you guess the word and use it to earn gems? Keep using it to make sure it remains part of your vocabulary!

F@B Update



We are hard at work planning lots of summer fun.

First up news of our **summer fair** on Saturday 13 July – we hope you can join us!

We are looking for volunteers to help us with this event. If you can help please text Nikki on 07786 197570 – and let her know if you can help with set up (9-12), stall shift 1 (12-1.30), stall shift 2 (1.30-3) or clean up (3-5).

Uniform stall - after school Friday 28 June

Swimming costumes and beach towels planned (donations welcome!) alongside our usual uniform offer 😊

Summer Raffle is live!

You can get Bessemer summer raffle tickets online now – the prizes look AMAZING!

Click here to get your tickets:

<https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/raffle/bessemer-summer-raffle-2024>

Online Safety Tip of the Week

Parental Controls

Our children are often more adept than us at using devices, but in order to protect them from the dangers they can encounter on the internet it is important that we learn how to monitor their internet use. One way of doing this is to set parental controls on all of their devices.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>





Celebrations!

Certificates

	Star	Writer	Mathematician	Presenter	Scientist
Rainbow	Hadley	Samuel	Ava		
Sunshine	Violet	Dylan	Ada		
Moonbeam	Victoria	Celeste	Atreen		
1AM	Arthur	Dora	Teddy	Briyit	
1NS	Johnny S	Jake	Rufus	Tammany	Yousef
2JW	Dougie	Taylan	Johnny	Yaseerah	
2LS	Imaan	Ruby	Sebastian	Emma	
2LT	Margot CG	Adam	Malachi	Evie	
3KL	Agnes W	Faye	Isaiah	Felix	Whole class
3NI	Vidak	Stiven	Zafer	Maia	
3/4CB	Whole class	Harry G	Donatas	Kyanna	
4BC	Rose	Salima	Sammy	Abass	
4VG	Runaah	Suraya	Tariq	Cruize	
5RS	Emily W	Gloria	Kitty	Elisa	
5OF	Max E	Alexis	Max M	AJ	
5FM	Frankie	Owen	Fayo	Ali	
6LM	Whole class				
6SB	Whole class				
6AC	Whole class				

Individual Timestable Rockstars

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Jhane	Albie	Donatas	Nicolas	Florence	Pearl

Timestable Rockstars Winning Classes

Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
2LS	3KL	5FM

**House
Winners**

Diamonds!



Have a great weekend!

Elizabeth

Monday
29th July–
Friday
23rd August



Day Camp with pool time,
Swimming, Diving, Climbing,
Mermaids, Trampoline,
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SPORTS FOCUS COACHING

Summer

Camp



Nerf Guns, Football, Floor is Lava, Easter Arts & Crafts., Tennis

Where: Bessemer Grange Primary School, Dylways

Ages: Reception - Year 6

Week 1: Monday, 29th July - Friday, 2nd August

Week 2: Monday, 5th August - Friday, 9th August

Week 3: Monday, 12th August - Friday, 16th August

Times & Prices:

9:00 - 12:00 £25

12:00 - 15:00 £25

9:00 - 15:00 £33

Early drop off 8:30 additional £3.50

Late Collection 17:00 additional £5

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