

10th March 2023



World Book Day at BWA – Thursday 9th March

What a fantastic World Book Day we had - thanks to all pupils who came dressed up in their favourite book characters, it really was a wonderful sight! Some KS1 classes enjoyed the lovely workshops led by Penguin volunteers, who also gifted the pupils the books they are read with them.

In KS2, Y4, 5 and 6 had a special guest who came to talk about their career in the book industry first in magazine distribution and now Amazon book sales. The day ended with a lively World Book Day assembly and a parade when pupils were able to show off their fabulous costumes.



BWA International Woman's Day

This week our highlight for PE was undoubtedly the Girls' Football Day as part of the #LetGirlsPlay Biggest EVER Football Session. Across England schools participated by putting on different events to help promote girls football and Belleville Wix was no exception. Although the weather didn't play its part, we were able to get around 80 of our girls, dressed in some of their football finest, participating in games and challenges over 2 sessions. The girls took part in activities such as penalty shoot outs, cross bar challenges and bench ball as we made the most of our indoor facilities. A huge thank you to all of the girls that came along, your energy was amazing and another massive thank you has to go to Mr Abraham who gave up his time to come and assist with the day. I now cannot wait to see the next

generation of footballing superstars come from Belleville Wix Academy.

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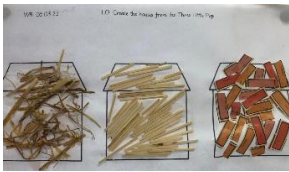
- the highest expectations of what all children can achieve
- expanding horizons through research and sharing of best practice



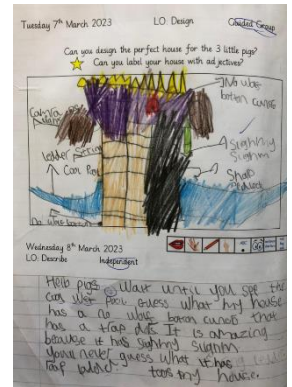
We had another wonderful week of learning at BWA this week. It is clear to see our Intent statement is guiding the curriculum provision. If you haven't read our LEARN statement, do click [here](#). Here are a few of our highlights.

This week Nursery have been thinking about the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. They have been very creative making caterpillars out of playdough and creating symmetrical butterflies using paint.





This week the pupils in RW have been reading the traditional tale, 'The Three Little Pigs and the Big Bad Wolf'. They have been building houses in the construction area using different materials and have tested which houses could not be huffed and puffed down.



This week Year 1 read Beegu by Alexis Deacon. We were very shocked to find an egg which hatched during the week into an alien, Quooz! The pupils have created their own adventures for Quooz as he travels back to his home planet, Pandora, and goes exploring.



This week 1B have been exploring plants in their science lessons. The pupils used their observation skills to explore and identify the different parts of a plant. 1B also planted radish seeds to observe the growth of plants.



Year 2 had a fantastic visit at the Sikh Gurdwara this week where they consolidated their learning in RE about prayer and worship. We visited the prayer hall where Sikhs come together to meet, sing, and pray. Pupils enjoyed a warm welcome and a delicious snack!



Year 2B really enjoyed creating reversible art this week with the resident artists. They looked at how to create a fruit bowl, but if you arrange the fruit carefully, when you turn the bowl upside down, it creates a person wearing a hat!

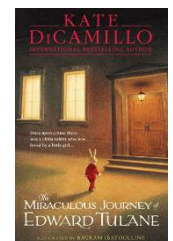


This week, 3M had great fun exploring the song 'The Bare Necessities' from the Disney film 'The Jungle Book' in their Comprehension lesson. Pupils had an interesting discussion about the meaning behind the entertaining lyrics and they finished the session by contemplating what their 'bare necessities' of life are. They mostly found that they were very different to those described by Baloo the Bear in the song!



As part of their Science topic of light, pupils in 3S discussed how and why the sun is dangerous for their eyes and explored the different ways they can be protected. Pupils then looked at the different materials used to make sunglasses and even designed their own pair ready for summer!

Year 4W have produced some beautiful writing this week in response to our English text 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane.' The pupils wrote from the perspective of the toy rabbit named Edward writing to his previous owner, Abilene, and developed some incredibly emotive sentences using sophisticated adjectives and vocabulary.



Year 5's highlight this week came in science. The pupils continue to explore 'biomimicry' and delve deeper into how designs in nature can help humanity. This week, we specifically focussed on what we can learn from birds! They discovered how we can draw inspiration for flying from the peregrine falcon, geese and the barn owl. They then honed in on one of these birds each and did some amazing research. We now have some aviation experts!



5B have been reading The Adventures of Odysseus in English and have started to create their own chapter of the story containing their own monster. They modelled our narrative on the story of Odysseus defeating the cyclops. They had great fun drawing and designing our monsters and presenting them to our table groups.

This week, Year 6 have been reading some National Geographic non-chronological reports about deadly insects in preparation for writing their own about the Yellow-Spotted Lizard featuring in Louis' Sachar's Holes. We had an in-depth conversation about the poisonous lizard's appearance, habitat and method of hunting for food and the pupils are very excited to write theirs in a few days.



Cases at BWA

We all want our dedicated staff to be well and be in school supporting every child, every day just as we want all pupils to be well and in school learning every day.

I kindly ask that you continue to adhere to the [advice](#) set out for parents. The advice, aimed at parents, states that if your child is unwell and has a fever, they should stay home from school or nursery until they feel better and the fever has resolved. Please know that your vigilance and care is much appreciated.

Excellent Learners

Congratulations to all our Excellent Learners this week.

Excellent Learners Like a challenge			
Leila	RW	Veronica	3S
Georges	1B	Huda	4A
Tom	Y1	Danyal	4W
Reggie	Y2	Julia	5B
Aurelie	2B	Maya	Y5
Elliot	3M	Jhonny	Y6



Dates to Remember

Mothers' Day Events

- **Friday 17th March – 8.30am - 9.30am**

Nursery, RW, RB, Y1, Y2, Y3M, Y3S, Y3B, Y4W, Y4A, Y4B, Y5, Y6, Y6B

- **Friday 24th March – 8.30am - 9.30am**

Y1B, Y2B, Y5B

Last day of the Spring Term – Friday 31st March.

- English Stream classes will finish at 1:45pm.
- Bilingual Stream will finish at 3:15pm.

Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III – 8th May is a Bank Holiday so no school for any pupil on this day.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend with family and friends.

Miss Williams

Help for Households

The Money and Pensions Service (MaPS) which is an arm's-length body sponsored by the Department for Work and Pensions offers free and impartial guidance to help people to make the best with their money and pensions. Please use this link to access the information. [Help with the cost of living | MoneyHelper](#)



MoneyHelper have just included a Benefits calculator to help people know the list of the benefits they could qualify for and how they can claim them. <https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en/benefits/benefits-calculator>.



LA Support Offer

You can access a broader range of information related to cost of living concerns via their website www.wandsworth.gov.uk/cost-of-living-hub/



• The Government has launched the '[Help for Households](#)' scheme. The homepage brings together over 40 support schemes that the public can access, depending on eligibility, including help with:

- Household costs
- Energy Bills
- Childcare costs
- Income support
- Transport costs

Additionally, a range of online tools will help citizens quickly and efficiently check the support they might be eligible for and how to access it.