

16th June 2023



This week we celebrated Clean Air day. Thank you to Simon and Luke, parents of pupils in the bilingual stream, for coming into school to talk to pupils about the importance of clean Air. It was great to see pupils dressed in green on Thursday to mark the day as well. I know that 4B enjoyed their Guided Reading sessions outdoors, as part of our Clear Air Day activities this week.

Year 1 also took the opportunity to get outside and practice using mathematical language to describe volume. Pupils took turns adding water to a container, noting when it was half full. They recognised when the container was full and could not hold any more water.



Father Day Events – Monday 19th & 26th June

We hope you have signed up to one of our two events to mark this special day. In the meantime we wish you all a very happy weekend being spoilt.

Next Wednesday, the 21st June, it is Thank a Teacher Day. I am sure you will join me in thanking the awesome staff we have at BWA for all they do to help our pupils every day.



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LEARNERS who are:

- inquisitive, resilient and have high expectations of themselves
- critical and creative thinkers who can solve problems and evaluate effectively
- confident, collaborative and articulate
- excellent learners



This week pupils in our 3B were learning with our resident artists. They used a variety of methods to create botanical diagrams inspired by the work of Maria Sibylla Merian- one of the first naturalists to study insects and botany. Have a look at their marvellous recreations of chestnuts and leaves.



This week pupils in our Nursery have been thinking carefully about how they can look after the plants in their Nursery garden. Pupils have enjoyed using the watering cans to water the herbs and strawberries in their flower beds.

Pupils in RB were very excited this week to meet our chicks and spend a day with them. They had to keep them clean and make sure they had enough food and water. Everyone got to touch or hold the chicks. It was wonderful to hear the descriptive language being used about how the chicks felt. Pupils had to be very careful not to hurt the delicate chicks but it was very funny when one ran around the carpet and Mrs Hatcher couldn't catch it – she did eventually though.

In RW, pupils have been learning about animals and habitats. They painted beautiful sunsets by blending red, orange and yellow paint together, then drew and cut out an animal silhouette to stick on top. They look fantastic on the wall.



Pupils in Year 2 explored the features of persuasion in their writing this week in the context of our 'Alternative versions of Traditional Tales' unit in English. They practiced their persuasive arguments in role play as the Big Bad Wolf trying to convince the police that they were innocent and that the houses had 'accidentally' been blown away by some giant sneezing! A lot of giggling was heard in the Year 2 classroom this week. Year 2 also really enjoyed the Clean Air Day assembly and discussions around what actions can be taken to tackle air pollution, and really enjoyed their outdoor reading session in the shade!

During Mathematics, pupils in 3M have been learning all about angles and shapes. Pupils made their own 'right angle testers' and then undertook a quest around the classroom to see how many they could identify. They came to the conclusion that there are many right angles all around us.



This week, pupils in 4A have been learning more about the Tudors and the life of Henry VIII. Pupils investigated how reliable different sources were before studying different portraits of the King to identify, and discuss, what they could infer from each portrait.



Pupils in our Year 6 class have been delving into their new topic of this term: Biodiversity. They watched a documentary last week as part of their research into the past, present and future threats to our environment and its stability. Pupils have used the WWF Living Planet Report (Youth Edition) to look into the pressing threats facing our planet today.

We wish our 6B pupils a wonderful trip to Normandie next week.



The preparations for Sports Day have been ramping up with the focus this week being on running. In KS1 pupils worked on changes of speed before doing some team relays and some fun races. In KS2, pupils focused on their reactions as well as using sprint set ups. We are all very excited for the competition on the 3rd and 4th of July and we hope to see you all there.

Excellent Learners

Congratulations to all our Excellent Learners this week.

Excellent Learners Want to learn more			
Elliot	RW	Aya	4A
Moa	RB	Riccardo	4W
Alice	Y1	Clea	4B
Lucia	Y2	Layla	Y5
Oskar	3M	Sofia	Y6
Jaxson	3S	Paola	6B
Maximilian	3B		



Dates to Remember

End of term

- Bilingual Stream – Tuesday 18th July
- English Stream – Friday 21st July at 1:45pm

Sports Days – both streams

- Nursery – Wednesday 12th July at 9am
- Rec, Year 1 – Tuesday 4th July at 9am
- Year 2 & 3 - Tuesday 4th July at 12:30pm
- Year 4, 5 & 6 – Monday 3rd July at 9am



I wish you all a wonderful weekend and a very happy Father's Day.

Miss Henry

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.