

## Newsletter for the week ending 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024



Today marks the first day of spring, according to meteorological calendar. It is certainly lovely to see the spring flowers coming through around the school. Tonight we have the Year 5 & 6 disco, which I know will be a wonderful night. Sincere thanks for your support of this event.

## The ZONES of Regulation<sup>®</sup>

### Zones of Regulation Parent Workshop

This week Miss Williams ran two parent workshops focussed on the Zones of Regulation. The Zones of Regulation is an emotional regulation programme that we use at BWA to support all our pupils with their feelings and associated behaviours. You may have seen some information and resources in your inbox if you were not able to attend. Do have a look through these

and feel free to speak to your class teacher or Miss Williams who will be able to help you. Thank you to the parents and carers who attended.

			
<p><b>BLUE ZONE</b></p> <p>Sad Sick Tired Bored Moving Slowly</p>	<p><b>GREEN ZONE</b></p> <p>Happy Calm Feeling Okay Focused Ready to Learn</p>	<p><b>YELLOW ZONE</b></p> <p>Frustrated Worried Silly/Wiggly Excited Loss of Some Control</p>	<p><b>RED ZONE</b></p> <p>Mad/Angry Terrified Yelling/Hitting Elated Out of Control</p>

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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

# DANCE

At BWA we are fortunate to have a wide range of specialist teachers. During their lesson on Street Dance, Year 3 have been finding their feet and toes within the style of locking. Locking is an upbeat, funky style and is in fact the first ever style of street dance. Year 3 are building a good foundation of moves, as well as playing with different rhythms when dancing their figures.

Year 6 have been focusing on Dancehall choreography during their Dance lessons. Dancehall originated in Jamaica and has had a major influence on the English street dance scene. This is largely due to the migration of the Windrush generation, bringing the sounds and moves of Jamaica to Britain. As always, it's important our pupils know the history of what they are learning. Pupils have begun working on a complex routine with a combination of "new skool" era and "old skool" era moves. They really immersed themselves into it.



## Resident Artists



Pupils explored perspective through sketchbook exercises as well as learning about analogous colours on the colour wheel and the relationship between colour and perspective.

Pupils in Year 5S had a great time learning with our resident artists. Their learning was focused around the art of perspective and colour theory.



The final piece was a two-point perspective cube painted on canvas paper in their chosen analogous colours. They looked fantastic.

Pupils in 4B had a wonderful time at the Khalsa Centre Gurdwara, where we learnt more about the Sikh faith.

"In the Sikh faith, they treat their holy book like a person," said Clara.



Pupils in RW have had another lovely week celebrating Traditional Tales. They have enjoyed designing their own handbags for Little Red Riding hood, using strips of paper to weave patterns and a pipe cleaner for the handle. In Maths, they are doing a great job at learning how to count 'on' from number 5.

This week in Year 1, pupils have been working on a very important mission – to get Quooz back to Planet Pandora. Miss To found Quooz on the playground on Monday morning and the pupils have been doing their very best to describe what Pandora is like and writing a story to help Quooz get home to his parents.

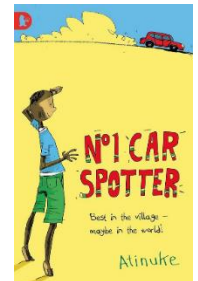






During their Geography lesson, pupils in Year 2 enjoyed learning about the four different countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom. After triggering prior learning on continents, they thought about and located the continent we live on, before identifying the different parts of the UK. Pupils also looked at the different flags and are now experts!

Pupils in Year 3, took on the task of writing their own car adverts, based on the book 'The No.1 Car Spotter'. They focused on using emotive language and other persuasive writing techniques in order to advertise their very own Toyota Corolla.



This week, pupils in Year 4 have been exploring the question of whether there are any useful microbes in the world. After discussing how microbes are used in food such as yoghurt, they carried out an experiment to see whether this was true or not. Through the use of some excellent baking and scientific skills, they investigated if mixing yeast and sugar would make their solution rise, just like it does in bread. In their second jug, pupils left this sugar out. After leaving the different solutions for a length of time, pupils could see that the yeast did in fact cause the solution to rise!

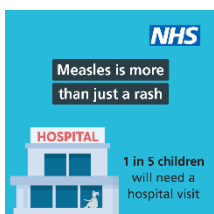
Pupils in Year 5B enjoyed a trip to the Victoria and Albert Museum looking at artefacts from the Ancient Islamic Civilisation exhibit as part of their History topic. They took part in a quiz in which they hunted for the answers and worked as a team to find out key information from the time period. 5B also took the opportunity to see the Buddhist exhibits, further enriching their learning in R.E.W from last half term.

Year 6 continued reading 'Holes' this week and took on the role of a restaurant critic to review the culinary delights of Camp Green Lake. The students critiqued the camp's environment and service, as well as the taste and smell of the food given. The class enjoyed writing in a humorous, yet formal tone.

### Excellent Learners

Congratulations to all our Excellent Learners this week.

Excellent Learners			
Aria	RW	Chloe	4B
Francis	Y1	Stefan	5LT
Elliot	1B	Bella	5S
Willow	Y2	Rose	5B
Linh	Y3	Dominic	Y6
Yassine	Y4		

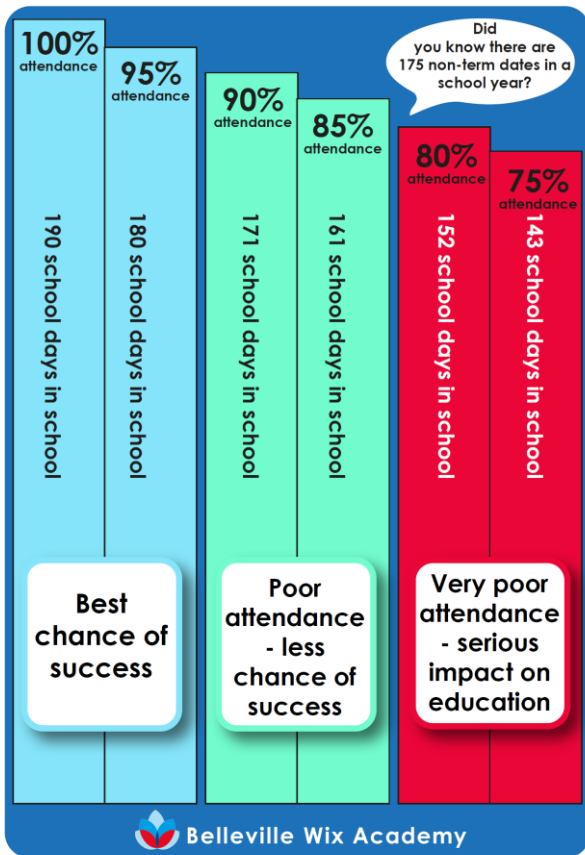


### Information on Measles / MMR vaccination – message from the NHS

Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease. We are asking education settings to share key messages from the NHS about MMR / measles and how to get vaccinated.

The [Back to school MMR Guidance](#) from the NHS includes information to share, as well as example social media posts which can be found here: [NHS Vaccine Poster](#) and [NHS MMR Poster](#).

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in a classroom can catch the disease if just one child is infectious.



## Attendance – we need your help!

Attending school every day is very important. Pupils should be in school every day. If a pupil has attendance of 90% and below they are a Persistent Absentee.

Our attendance is affected by families taking extended holidays during term time. Holidays should not be taken in term time. Medical appointments should also be made out of school hours.

We know that pupils get sick and will need to rest to recuperate. Please do use this [NHS guidance](#) to help you make decisions when your child is ill about whether they should attend school or stay at home.

## Birthday Treats



When it is a child's birthday during the school term, parents and carers can choose to celebrate this special occasion by bringing in food to share with the class if they wish. This food is given out at the end of the school day so that parents and carers can decide if their child consumes it. If you do choose to bring in food for the class, we would really appreciate it if, in addition to nut-free, consideration could be given to other allergies, religious and dietary preferences, so that all children can share in the class celebration.

## Need Help?

### Communication

Our [communication table](#) should signpost you to the right person to deal with any queries you have, no matter how small or trivial you think they may be.



### Nut Free School

Please remember that we are a Nut Free site. There are pupils onsite with allergies and we must all do our best to keep these pupils safe at all times when onsite.



### Prepared for the Day

Please ensure your child has suitable clothing in school. Getting outside remains very important at BWA and we plan to have both PE and play outside in all weathers.



## Is your child a budding Banksy?

At Belleville Wix, we are so proud of the beautiful art produced during our resident artist visits. We would like to showcase our talented pupils even more and have found an exciting opportunity!

You may be aware that each year the Royal Academy of Art holds a Summer Exhibition and

alongside they also hold a Young Artists Summer Show. <https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/> Submissions are currently open and we invite you to send in submissions of art that your child has produced.

Registration and submission is open until March 27<sup>th</sup> 2024. Good luck!



### Dates to Remember

#### End of Spring Term

- **English Stream** - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 1:45pm
- **Bilingual Stream** - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 3:15pm

Please see the PTA events coming up below.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

**Miss Henry**



### Upcoming PTA Events

Fri, 8 Mar 2024	<b>Mother's Day special sale</b>	At pick-up (from 3.15 to 4pm)	Special flowers' sale to celebrate all the amazing mums, mother figures and female carers!
Fri, 15 Mar 2024	<b>Comic Relief's Red Nose Day</b>	At drop-off	Children are invited to wear red coloured clothes on the day, in exchange for a donation to support the charity's fantastic work. Donations will be collected at drop off and all funds will be donated to Comic Relief
Fri, 22 Mar 2024	<b>Second hand uniform sale</b>	At drop-off & pick-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Please <u>look at the lost &amp; found property boxes before Friday 15th March</u>. Any items left after that date will be sold or disposed of.</li> <li>- We welcome <u>donations of washed and folded second hand uniforms on 18th and 19th of March</u> at drop off.</li> <li>- Actual sale will take place on 22nd March at drop off (from 8 to 9am) and at pick up (from 3 to 3.45pm)</li> </ul>



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