



# BESSEMER NEWS

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019

## Important dates for your diary for this term

- 28.3.19 - Year 4 performance 6pm
- 29.3.19 - Year 4 performance 10am
- 8.4.19-23.4.19 - Easter holidays
- 23.4.19 - Inset day (school closed to children)
- 24.4.19 - Children return to school

## Science Week

Last week was science week across the school with a variety of exciting experiments and investigations taking place. Taking centre stage was the planetarium dome which showed astronomy and space films in an all-encompassing 360<sup>o</sup> format. Every class throughout the school was given the opportunity to visit for a 45 minutes session and the children excitedly entered the dome to be treated to shows such as: 3D Space Station, Journey to Infinity and The Moon. A huge thank you to the PTA and for organising and funding the dome and the science fair which gave the children such a special opportunity. During the rest of the week, classes made lava lamps and carried out investigations to launch rockets link with our theme 'Journeys to Space'. A thank you also goes to children, parents and carers for the huge number of amazingly creative planets, rockets and stories entered for the science week competition. It was a pleasure to see the enthusiasm and the hard work that took place. The winners were announced in prize assembly on Friday - please see the competition winners below.

## \*Competition Winners\*

### Book Week

- KS1 - Abe Owen (2KD)
- Year 3 and 4 - Phoebe Rebbeck (3EF)
- Year 5 and 6- Elsie Davidson-Crimes (5RS).

### Science Week

- Early Years
  - 1) Sami Hussain (Sunshine)
  - 2) Gloria Zabielskaite (Rainbow)
  - 3) Kitty Ward (Rainbow)
- KS1
  - 1) Davina Mbah (1LC)
  - 2) Alexia Loannou (2KD)
  - 3) Toren Edwards (1SB)
- KS2
  - 1) Alex Hallsmith (5RS)
  - 2) Sebastian Barton (4JB)
  - 3) Brittany Armas (5KL)

## Year 6 Football - National League Trust Tournament

After their considerable success in winning both the local and regional finals, the very talented year 5/6 boys' football team headed to Eastleigh to compete in the southern finals with the huge incentive of a place in the final at Wembley up for grabs. Having won the initial tournament, the boys were representing Dulwich Hamlet F.C which included wearing their iconic kit. Both excited and nervous, the boys made a great start beating Dagenham and Redbridge before drawing with Torquay, Oxford and Bromley which saw them reach the semi-finals. A very tight and hard fought game saw them unfortunately lose 2-0 in a re-match with Bromley. Although the boys were disappointed, everyone was very proud of their efforts in getting so far in a very competitive tournament. As part of the same event, the team were also given the privilege of being mascots for Dulwich Hamlet F.C. during their recent fixture against Truro City and were awarded their regional trophy in front of the crowd at half time.



## Federation News

Following the recent hard federation consultation, it was agreed at the meeting of the Governing Board on the 18<sup>th</sup> March that Bessemer and Keyworth Schools would hard federate. The governing board of Bessemer Grange will disband on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April and the joint board will be established on the 24<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you all for your support.

## Changes to Behaviour System

We would like to inform you of a minor change to the behaviour system. From now on, children will have two amber stages instead of one, which means they will be given another warning before starting to lose golden time. This allows children another opportunity to reflect and change their behaviour as well as more opportunity to work their way back to green for positive behaviour, as once children reach -5 they cannot move back up. Furthermore, we would like to establish that the gold stage of the behaviour system is only for particularly exceptional behaviour such as outstanding pieces of work or kindness with maybe only one or two children getting to this stage a day. It has become apparent that some children have been feeling disappointed to 'only' be on green, when going home on green for the day, or indeed the week, shows that have in fact behaved very well!

*Have a lovely weekend, Jamie*