



BESSEMER NEWS

Friday 11th October 2019

Important dates this term

12/10/19 F@B fun run on Jags Field

17/10/19 Yr 1 phonics workshop 9.15am

18/10/19 Early Years Celebration day 9.15-10.15

18/10/19 Yr 2/3 English workshop 9.15am (date change)

21 - 25 /10/19 Half term

11/12/19 Year 2 play 10am & 2pm

12/12/19 Reception Nativity 1.30pm

12/12/19 F@B pantomime 3.45pm

13/12/19 Reception Nativity 9.30am

13/12/19 Yr 3/4 Carols at St Faith's (evening) 6-7pm

16/12/19 Yr 5/6 Carols at St Faith's (evening) 6-7pm

F@B Fundraising

Have you joined the easy fundraising site? It's free, simple and a great way to raise funds for our school. Simply sign up and set the donation reminder. Then every time you shop online, a percentage of your purchase will be donated to the school: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bessemergrangepta/>

Harvest

Please collect food (tinned and packets) for Harvest festival! In the past we have donated all food collected to the Salvation Army and local food banks. This year we will be collecting food, toiletries, nappies and wipes for Southwark Foodbank and the Salvation Army to support those who are experiencing food crisis. The Salvation Army are in desperate need of nappies and wipes and the foodbank have requested tinned meat, fruit juice (UHT/Long life), rice pudding and toiletries. All food donations must be placed into the donation boxes along the main entrance (via the red gate) **ON Thursday 17th October**. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Art exhibition

We are very sorry that the Art exhibition had to be cancelled this week, due to the external organiser being unwell. It will now be held on Tuesday 15th October and Wednesday 16th October between 3.30 - 5pm. It will still be in the top hall. Please come along to view your children's art work! There will be the opportunity to purchase the art work too.

Recent workshops

Thank you to everyone who attended our recent parent workshops. If you were unable to attend, please go to the school's website and look under the 'Parents' tab. There you will find this year's workshop PowerPoints!

Parents' evenings

Thank you to everyone who attended a parents' evening appointment. If you need any further support with home learning, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with your child's class teacher via the office.

If you did not complete a new contact details form at parents' evening, please come to the office and complete one before half term. This will help us to ensure that everyone is correctly registered on Scholarpack and is receiving the appropriate communications.

PE kits

Please ensure PE kits are in school every day. Children should bring them in on Mondays and take them home again on Fridays for washing. This is particularly important because PE days may change during the week, due to poor weather.

Golden Time

As you are aware, Friday afternoon's half an hour Golden Time session is an integral part of our school's behaviour system. The children work hard to keep all of their Golden Time each week and then they are able to choose a selection of Golden Time activities.

In the last few weeks, the teachers have been working hard to improve the quality of Golden Time at Bessemer. In KS2, children can now choose from a selection of activities across their phase (years 3/4 and years 5/6), therefore allowing them to play more freely with children from other classes, explore other rooms in the school and get to know different school adults.

Some of the activities on offer this half term have been: dressing up, drama, dance, singing, football, playground games, colouring, painting, construction, cycling, origami, making comics, cooking, Playdough, Connect 4, Lego, Dungeons & Dragons, Snakes & Ladders, Ludo, chess, Jenga, card games and reading.

If you have a game that is not being used at home but is in reasonable condition, please bring it to the office FAO Lizzie Clarke. Thank you in advance for your support.



We can't wait to think of more fun activities for next half term's Golden Time!

Fire Home Fire Safety Visit

The London Fire Brigade are offering free home safety visits, combined with personal fire safety advice, all across London. They will also fit free smoke alarms where needed.

If you would like to arrange a visit, you can do so via email: smokealarms@london-fire.gov.uk, text: 0786 002 1319 or calling for free on: 0800 028 4428.

Have a great weekend,

Lizzie Clarke (Assistant Headteacher & Year 6 leader)