



# BESSEMER NEWS

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020

## Dates for your diary.....

- 24/01/20 Year 2 SATs meeting
- 29/01/20 Year 3 recorder Concert, 2.30pm (please see letter)
- 30/01/20 Young Voices final rehearsal, 2.30 (please see letter)
- 11/02/20 Safer Internet Day
- 13/02/20 Early Years Celebration Day
- 14/02/20 Break up for half term
- 24/02/20 Tutorial Day (school closed except for parent - teacher meetings)
- 25/02/20 Children return to school
- 05/03/20 World Book Day
- 13/03/20 Sports Relief
- 27/03/20 Year 4 production, 10am and 6pm
- W/B 30/03/20 House winners' trip
- 06/04/20 - 17/04/20 Easter Holiday

### School Council Update

The school council formed in September and is made up of pupils across years 3-6. This year they will be leading on a project about urban wildlife. They will be visiting the new Dulwich Orchard with the London Wildlife Trust and giving an assembly on what they learn, this work will begin the whole school project around our school mural.

We are pleased to welcome two new travel ambassadors from year 5 (Princess and Jonah), who will be working with their year 6 colleagues on making our travel safer, greener and healthier. Recently they attended a podcast-making workshop at Theatre Peckham and are keen to hear everyone's ideas for 2020's Clean Air Day in June.

### Young Voices Choir

Approximately eighty-five pupils from years 4-6 will be performing on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February at the O2 arena as part of this year's Young Voices Choir. The Young Voices Choir is no ordinary choir in total there are over 23 concerts across the nation and we are lucky enough to be joining the O2 choir. Young Voices has been going to The O2 Arena in London since it opened 12 years ago! We will join approximately 8000 children and a special pop star guest. We will be singing a range of songs. Watch out for tweets and video updates on the school website. We wish all performers the best of luck. For more information look at the Young Voices website.

<http://www.youngvoices.co.uk>



### Height and Weight

Please remember that children in Reception will be measured and weighed by our school nurse team on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January. If you wish to opt out please complete the paper work sent earlier this year and hand it to the school office.

### Year 2 SATs meeting for parents

Please join us on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January in the lower hall at 9.15am to find out how you can support your child with their year 2 SATs.

### Word of the Week

Well done to all of the families that discussed our word of the week last week, the children were able to share the meaning and origin of the word Serenity with their class and in assembly. This week the word is.....

**Spontaneous**

### Milk Bottle Collection

Early years need your help to collect empty, washed 4-pint milk bottles. They are hoping to create a few igloos, which the children will be able to play in as part of their current topic. Please hand all clean, empty milk bottles to any of the Early Years team at the gate before or after school.



### Community Events

Please see the information below regarding two community events taking place.

THE LORDSHIP PUB | JAN 23 | 7PM

AN INTRO TO

 + **PLASTIC FREE EAST DULWICH**  
SURFERS AGAINST SEWAGE




**HOW TO REDUCE YOUR PLASTIC USE IN 2020**



GET YOUR FREE TICKET:  
EVENTBRITE: SEARCH FOR 'PLASTIC FREE EAST DULWICH'  
INSTAGRAM.COM/PLASTICFREEEASTDULWICH  
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**What is the burden of air pollution on children's health?**

FREE EVENT Tuesday 4 February 6:00pm

Dulwich & Herne Hill Safe Routes to School invite you to join us for what promises to be an insightful and educational talk by Dr Ian Mudway, a specialist on air pollution and its effects on children's health.

Dr Ian Mudway is a senior lecturer at the School of Population Health and Environmental Sciences at King's College London. He has researched the impact of air pollution on human health for over 20 years. Dr Mudway has published over 100 research papers, reports and book chapters, as well as providing advice to local, national and international governments and NGOs. Currently his work is focused on understanding the early life impact of pollutants, particularly on the development of lung and cognitive function in children living in urban areas.

Dr Mudway is an expert at communicating science to lay audiences. He has worked extensively with artists and educationalists to promote public understanding of the risks to human health associated with environmental pollutants.

Dr Mudway is a member of the MRC-PHE Centre for Environment and Health; MRC & Asthma UK Centre in Allergic Mechanisms of Asthma and NIHR-PHE Health Protection Research Unit in Health Impact of Environmental Hazards.

Vaughan Williams Auditorium, James Allen's Girls' School,  
144 East Dulwich Grove, London SE22 8TE  
TO BOOK: <http://bit.ly/ecotalk1>

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Have a great weekend! *Rebecca*