



BESSEMER NEWS

Friday 9th October 2020

Diary Dates

23rd October - tutorial day, school closed for children, meetings held over Zoom

23rd October - virtual art exhibition opens

26th October - 30th

October half term holiday

31st October -Deadline for secondary applications
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F@B Update

Does your workplace have a charity or CSR

programme? Do you have a gift matching scheme, or can you nominate a charity to receive a donation?

Would your business be interested in sponsoring an event or fundraising activity? Friends At

Bessemer is a registered charity and we love working with corporate supporters, big and small. If you would like to involve your workplace in raising extra funds for Bessemer, please get in touch

at fab@friendsatbessemer.co.uk. This month we are

particularly keen to hear from companies which might be interested in a sponsorship opportunity, but if you have any other ideas we'd love to hear about those too!

Black History Month

In celebration of Black History Month we are finding out about *Black British Talent*. Each class has chosen someone who has made a great contribution in the fields of art, history, science, medicine, poetry, literature, film, music, sport or fashion and will be spending the next weeks finding out more about their lives and achievements. We look forward to sharing some of this learning with you in next week's newsletter.

Road Safety

We are concerned that the road closure outside school at drop off and pick up times has given children a false sense of safety on the roads around school. Staff on the gates have witnessed a lot of dangerous incidents involving children running across the road without looking when a car is coming or playing or walking in the road, particularly on the bend where oncoming cars can not be seen easily. Please talk to your children about road safety and ensure that they are very clear about where the road closure ends.

Festival of the Girl - Free virtual event

Festival of the Girl is a fun, engaging and safe environment for girls and their families to explore key topics from body positivity and mental health to feminism and careers. Now in its second year, the virtual event falls on International Day of the Girl (**Sunday 11 October**) and although it is aimed at girls aged 7 - 11, it is open to everyone including teachers, parents, grandparents, carers and boys. It aims to help attendees see beyond gender stereotypes and encourages girls to be confident in creating the future they want. This year's theme is 'Future change makers' and includes a diverse range of speakers, collaborators and interactive online sessions. Everything you need to know is on the website www.festivalofthegirl.com

Tutorial day: booking an appointment

Given that opportunities to talk to the class teacher are so limited at the moment, please make sure that you book your zoom meeting for tutorial day. It is on the 23rd of October from 08:15 till 18:00. A letter will be sent out shortly via Scholarpack with all the details that you need to sign up. If you do not have access to zoom, the letter will also give you information on how to request a phone call from the class teacher.

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 with their class. Our word this week is: **profound** (very great or intense state).
E.g. The doctor let out a profound sigh of relief.
So profound was her grief, that she could not hold back the tears.

Have a lovely weekend, *Lynette*



Celebration Week

5th - 9th October

Class	Star of the week	Writer of the week	Mathematician the week	Scientist of the week per year group
Moonbeam	Grace	Isobel	Faye	Hunter
Sunshine	Idris	Raheim	Ismay	
Rainbow	Jacob	Neeyah	Sarah	
1AM	Callum	Poppy	Joe	Olivia
1AS	Rene	Alura	Jadon	
1JM	Leo	Mariatu	Madison	
2LC	Max M	Stephen	Zach	Daisy
2ER	Alexis	Elisa	Arda	
2JW	Xin	Yahya	Lori	
3AF		Amani	Amelie	Otis
3LS	Amani	Summer	Herbie	
3CB	Joe	Edward	Bella	
3LM	Freddie	Haven	Grace	
4HB	Tillie	Elizabeth	Riley	Jago
4SB	Alexia	Serene	Samira	
4KL	Bailey	Samantha	Alameen	
5LC		Jacob	Ellie-May	Chako
5AC	Jada	Maxim	Jack	
5JB	Lily	Maya	Irma	
5RS	Luke	Mariama	Nasir	
6BN		Zinzi	Poppie	Jahzeil
6MS	Abigail	Joe	Lila	
6YH	Kitty	Fraser	Cameron	
6LT	Mable	Naomi	Kalid	

Winning Gem house for this week is: **Emeralds**