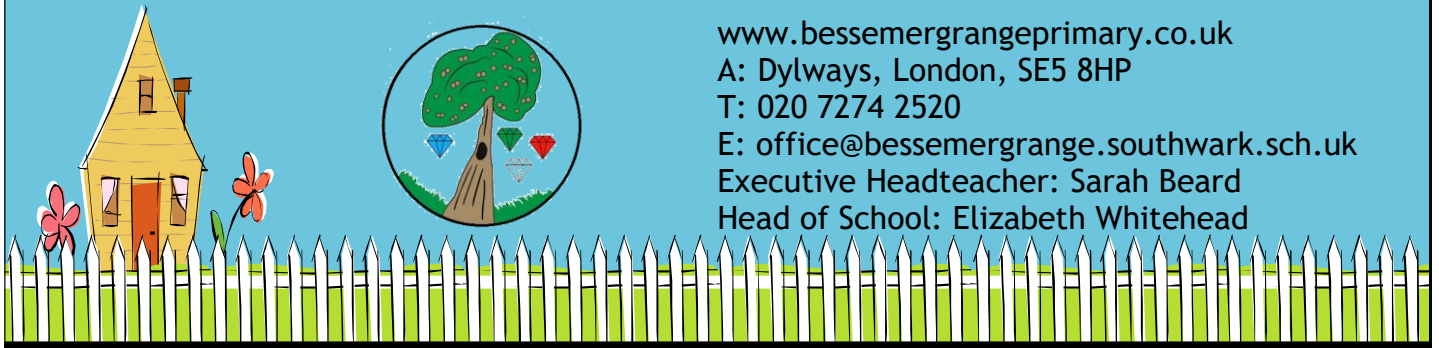


# BESSEMER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October - Parents' Evenings and Art Exhibition**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October - Early Years Celebration Day**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October - Last day of school for children**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Inset Day**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November - Children return to school**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Individual photos (change of date)**

## News and Reminders

### **Safer Routes to School**

If you have any concerns regarding safety issues on your child's route to and from school, e.g. road crossings, parking issues, traffic etc, please could you email them to Helen Wood, our Safer Routes to School representative, at [helen\\_wood2011@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:helen_wood2011@yahoo.co.uk)

### **Packed Lunches**

Please remember that if your child chooses to have packed lunch rather than a school lunch then they must do so for a full half term, and changes from school to packed lunch or vice versa must be communicated to the office. This is to ensure that enough meals are prepared and that food is not wasted.

We are a Healthy School and as such there are rules around the items that can be included in packed lunches. We have different rules for daily packed lunches and the lunches children take on trips, as we accept that a packed lunch on a school trip can be seen as a treat. Please check the information below which is also available on the website.

**For daily packed lunches in school please do not include;** any drink other than water, nuts or nut products e.g. peanut butter, uncut grapes, sweets, crisps, cake, sweet (sugary) biscuits or chocolate bars of any sort.

**For school trips please do not include;** nuts or nut products, uncut grapes, sweets, chocolate bars (biscuits with some chocolate coating are acceptable) or fizzy drinks.

**Children bringing the above items in their lunches will not be allowed to eat them in school.**

### **P.E. Kit**

To clarify any confusion around the new P.E. kit expectations, P.E. kit should ideally resemble school uniform as much as possible, e.g. navy (or black) tracksuit bottoms, leggings or shorts with a white polo shirt. If your child already has a school house T-shirt then they can wear this, but please do not buy one especially. Children should not wear plain T-shirts in their house colours (except for sports day in the summer when they can wear a house T-shirt or house colours).



## PESSN

The PE and School Sports Network Youtube channel provides lots of videos of fun activities including active phonics and times tables, sports skills and yoga, please have a look:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd-5-\\_laythpuLFx2MAQNLA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd-5-_laythpuLFx2MAQNLA)

PESSN also run a Saturday sports club offering some fantastic activities for children with SEND. There is a flier with more information attached to this newsletter.

## School Nurse

If you would like to receive confidential advice from a school nurse by text or telephone, please see the flier attached to this newsletter for more information.

## Timestables Rockstars

Don't forget to encourage your child to log in to Timestable Rockstars and practise their times tables - ask them to see how quickly they can respond to each question and see if they can be Timestable Rockstar next week! At the moment Bessemer is 17<sup>th</sup> on the local schools' leaderboard and we'd really like to get a bit higher up! We are resending all login details at the moment and will be launching a competition to motivate children further next week.

## Sharing Children's Learning

On Monday children in Year 2 dressed up as pirates and took part in lots of fun pirate activities as part of their *Pirates* topic.







## F@B Update

F@B simply wouldn't exist without the support of Bessemer parents and carers. If you're wondering how you can get involved, here are a few ideas:

**Volunteer:** whether you have a fully-fledged idea for an event you'd like to organise with some fellow parents, or would like to give a few hours per term on an informal basis, we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch at [fab@friendsatbessemer.co.uk](mailto:fab@friendsatbessemer.co.uk).

**Use Easyfundraising:** we receive a small donation every time you shop online using Easyfundraising, at no extra cost to you. In total, we've been able to spend an extra £4,000 on new equipment and other items for the school thanks to Easyfundraising shoppers. As the name suggests, it's very easy – go to <https://bit.ly/2XoeZM7> to sign up.

**Involve your workplace:** many companies have schemes to help charities. Some can donate raffle prizes, while others make donations or match gifts to their employees' chosen charities. Find out if yours can support Bessemer!

**Celebrations!**

Class	Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Presenter of the Week	Scientist of the Week
Rainbow					
Sunshine					
Moonbeam					
1AM	Eustache	Leila	Leo S	Sophie	Agnes
1EB	Jake	Benjamin	Koji	Talya	
1NS	Elliott	Ella	Mohammed	Charlotte	
2JW	Shaydon	Amelia	Suraya	Khaliyah	Malachi
2LT	Jadon	Holly	Abdullah	William	
2OS	Kyanna	Lacey	Rene	Callum	
3LM	Hannah	Luka	Andrea	Edward	Gabriel
3CB	Amelia	Jessica	AJ	Ruby	
3LS	Lenny	Johannah	Max E	Nilah	
3JK		Kitty	Camai	Myriam	
4SB	Othniel	Edie	Lara	Flora	Zac
4KL	Tani	Freya	Tom	Brogan	
4HB	Amani	Summer	Jadene	Lukas	
4AS		Thomas	Olivia I	Haven	
5RS	Lola	Osian	David	Samira	
5AC	Alice	Kobi	Dayo	Lily	
5LW	Freida	Reuben	Joshua	Fergus	Georgia
6MS	Tasnim	Kyrane	Kyrie	Phoebe	Lily
6YH	Lassie	Irma	Elvis	Abdullahi	
6SB	Luna	Maia	Tassie	Sophie	
6LC		Caoimhe	Matilda	Jacob C	

Timetable Rockstars	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
		Tobias	Akila	Olivia I	Kiran	Phoebe

Timetable Rockstars winning classes: 2LT, 4HB and 6YH

This week's house winners: **Diamonds!**

Have a great Weekend!

*Elizabeth*