

It has been a busy few weeks since our last newsletter and it is hard to believe that we are in almost in December and heading rapidly towards the end of the first term.

Our Reception children have been learning lots about community heroes and people who help us as part of their topic. Last week, they came dressed as a community hero and we even had a child dressed up as Mr Lynch! This week they have had two special visits from PCSO's and the ambulance service – they even had the opportunity to see inside a real ambulance. A huge thank you to the parents who volunteered their time to make the visits happen.

Our Year 4 children have just today visited Lullingstone Castle as part of their learning on the Romans and we look forward to finding out all about their trip.

Our pupil newspaper team are busy preparing their first edition of the year and we are looking forward to sharing this with you in the coming weeks.



Pupil Special Achievements & Awards:

Headteacher Postcard: Federico (R), Gursimar (Y1)
Isabella (Y3) Jake, Fikayo (Y5)

Teacher Postcard: Ella, Scarlett (Y3)

Swimming: Holly, Harry W, Freddie, Millie M (Y1) Maisie,
Gabe, Jacob (Y3), Chloe, Rex, Rhys (Y5)

Ballet: Arabella, Sienna (Y3)

Karate: orange/white belt: William, Scarlett, Isabella (Y3)
red/white belt: Arabella (Y3) yellow/white belt: Sienna (Y3)
orange belt: Freddie (Y2) Ben S (Y2)

Football trophy: Player of the match: Velencie (Y3)

Taekwondo: yellow belt: Jake (Y3) orange belt: Roman P
(Y1) orange stripe: Lola (R) blue stripe: George (R)

Pen Licence: Sienna, Tayyibah, Avni (Y3)

Reading the Top 10 Texts for their year: Skye (Y3),
Shaylan (Y5), Isla (Y6)

TTRS: Star: Harrison, Alex, Gabe, Poppy, Lucas, Zachary,
Bethel, Harley, Jeevan, Noah, Lucia E, Sam, Dylan, Elsie,
Jacob, Isa (Y3)

TTRS Legend: Antonio, Avni, Skye, Mina, Velencie, Olivia,
Finley, Riley, Summayyah, Scarlett, Sienna, Jenson, Isabella,
Sarwan, Tayyibah, James (Y3)

TTRS Hero: Sammy (Y3)

Pupil Voice

This week, our pupil voice comes from some of our Year 5 pupils:

"I have enjoyed learning how to write a newspaper article and I am enjoying reading our class text 'children of the Benin kingdom'". Ruby F

"I have enjoyed playing Hockey in PE". Michelle

"I enjoyed watching England's first match in the world cup with my class". Samuel

"Did you know that in the Benin Kingdom they used cowrie shells as currency? This was one of the many facts we have learned in history this week. Also, they created statues of dead peoples' heads so the living could contact them in the afterlife." Shaylan

Notices:

Children's University

All children signed up to the CU have today accessed a workshop led by Louise from the CU and will now have their own log in details to access the CU portal. Please check with your child when they come home and keep the log in details in a safe place. Your child can show you how to log in and we would encourage you to take a look.

Fundraising:

Well done to all at Belmont – we raised £627.13 for Children in Need which is more than we have raised before. Thank you to our families for your generosity.



Diary Dates:

Monday 28th & Tuesday 29th November –
Reception visits to the Fire Station

Thursday 1st December – Year 2 Trip to the
London Eye

Thursday 1st December – PTA Disco's

Friday 9th December – Christmas Jumper Day &
Christmas dinner day

Help & Advice:

Bexley Moorings are launching a new course 'Empowering Parents, Empowering Communities'. The 12 week programme will run weekly on a Wednesday from 9:30 until 2:30pm at the Nest in Thamesmead. If you have a child ages between 2 and 11 and are keen to learn new approaches and are willing to learn new skills to guide other parents this is the course for you. Topics include: being a parent, feelings, play and listening, valuing my child and understanding children's behaviour.

More information can be obtained by emailing:

flare@bexleymooring.co.uk

Attendance and Punctuality:

School attendance is mandatory for all pupils.

This year we continue to have high attendance aspirations for all pupils and have set our whole school attendance target at 95.8%.

Our attendance last week was a disappointing 92.9%, which is only just above the government's minimum expectation of 92% but below our school target. This week, our attendance was again 92.9% which is well below both targets – let's try better Belmont!

The highest attendance last week was in Warhol class who had a 97.3% attendance. Well done Warhol class! This week the highest attendance was in Hepworth class with 98.6%. Well done to all of the pupils in Hepworth class.

Parents are reminded, term time holidays are not authorised and will result in a fine.

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