



Head Teacher Message

Welcome to my first newsletter. The children have been so busy this term! I have been so impressed by how hard the children have been working this term, and how they are just so determined to be the best that they can be everyday.

Our new approach to behaviour, supported by the zones of regulation is having a positive impact across the school and children are able to identify and communicate their feelings.

With just three weeks left until half term, it really feels like we are racing through the year already.

We hope that you enjoy the newsletter and we hope to see many of you at our Christmas events!

Attendance to date!

Mercury	90.80%
Attenborough	96.20%
Singh	95.20%
Brunel	86.70%
Henry	95.80%
Asher-Smith	96.10%
Hawking	96.80%
Darwin	94.30%
Agard	90.70%
Chaplin	96.30%
Turing	95.40%
Zephaniah	86.50%

In order to maximise children's learning opportunities, coming to school is vital. Attendance this term stands at 93.7%, which is below the national expectation of 96%. Please ensure your child comes to school every day next term, even when the coughs and colds start to kick in!



Congratulations to 5 Hawking for being the first class to win the Miss Lynch Award for Attendance. Well done!

Safeguarding at BJS

It is really important that children learn how to keep themselves safe and when they need to ask for help. To begin the year, they will be making their helping hand as a reminder of people that they can talk to, trust and can help them. Please take some time over this week to speak to Your child about the people that can help them. It might be different family members, teachers, police officers, brownie/cub leaders, friends, family friends or other club leaders. We all have the responsibility to safeguard children.



Achievement Assembly

How happy we are that we are now able to invite parents back into school to celebrate their child's achievements on Friday at 2.45pm. Parents of children who will be celebrated receive a call on a Thursday.

Twitter

Don't forget to follow us on twitter to keep updated with the daily life of Belvedere Junior School. @BelvedereTPA You can also follow The Pioneer Academy @ThePioneerTPA

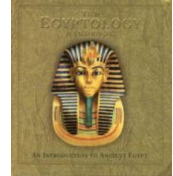
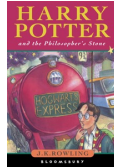


Christmas Diary of events

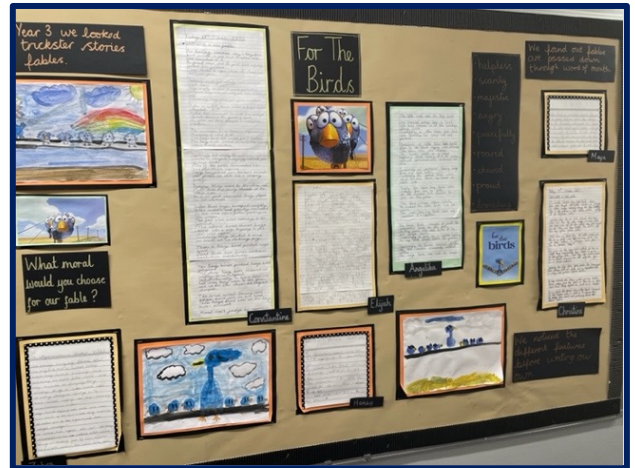
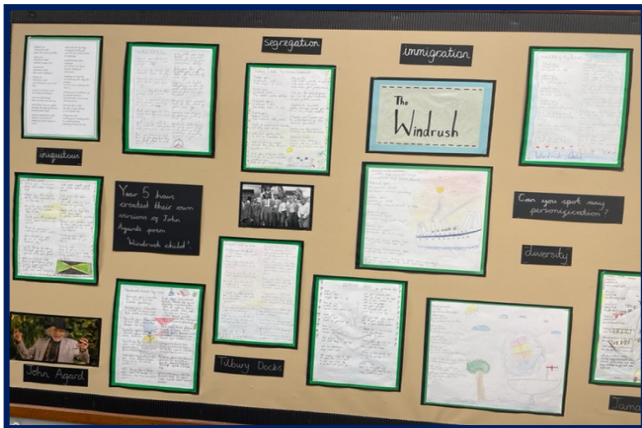
A diary of events across both the infant and junior schools has been sent out this week. This details what events will take place in the build up to Christmas. Please ensure you have seen this letter.

Our main books this term

We know that being able to read well is absolutely paramount for children to be able access their learning and be successful in their futures. That is why every theme is underpinned by a core text. The children are well into reading their stories now.... Why not ask them about their class book at home? Can they remember the books that they have read in previous years?



This term our sports teams have been competing in a number of competitions and have had great success. Our year 5/6 girls football team finished in the top 8 in a Bexley seven a side competition and our year 5/6 boys football team finished 3rd in a Bexley seven a side competition. Both boys and girls football teams have also had a successful start to their league campaigns. As well as this our year 5/6 athletics team finished runners up in a sports hall athletics competition. Well done to all those that competed in these competitions and we look forward to more success next term.



Royal British Legion

Thank you for purchasing poppies and other poppy merchandise. The school raised £159.31 for the Royal British Legion.



Children in Need

Thank you to everyone that donated to Children in Need, we raised £152.61.

