

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

Today we have been celebrating World Book Day. We have asked pupils and staff to dress up as their favourite books and some of the costumes have been amazing! Please enjoy the photos' from today

The school values

Some of the work we have been doing as a school is around our school values and what they mean to us.

The values we embed in our schools are:

- **Respect**
- **Equity**
- **Self-worth**
- **Partnership**
- **Enjoyment**
- **Communication (a voice for all)**
- **Trust**

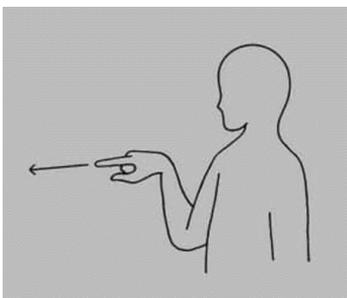
As a school the values underpin all our work.

Please put the date of March the 14th in the Calendar for Parents Evening. Please book your appointments via Arbor.

Looking forward to meeting you on the 14th.

Sean Egan, Headteacher

Makaton Sign For The Week



This week's Makaton sign is: **To Go**

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School Calendar



14 March	Parents Evening
17 March	Red Nose Day
3 to 14 April	Easter Break (School closed)
17 April	Inset Day (School closed)
18 April	Students Return To School

Tackling Crime And Safety

Everybody deserves to feel safe in their community, which is why the Council and local police are working together on a new programme called Safe Streets, to make it easier than ever to report incidents, discuss concerns and get advice.

Over the coming weeks and months, we hope you'll notice our Team Waltham Forest officers out and about in Chingford Mount and South Leytonstone, and we encourage you to say hello, ask questions and pass on any concerns you may have. Our teams are doing targeted work in hot-spot areas, but we're also working to tackle this issue across the borough. Some of this wider work includes Pop-Up Police Stations at libraries and other community venues right across the borough, designed to be a friendly and confidential space for you to drop in at your convenience.

You can find more information at

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/safestreetswf

Absence Notification

If your child is absent you must:

- Contact the school on the first day of absence and keep us informed thereafter via the absence line or directly at the school office by 9.15am.

Learning @ BFH – Coral Class

This week in Coral class, we have been learning about the real-life superheroes- our main focus was on paramedics; we have been practising being paramedics by using dressing on our bear who is in pain.



We also been showing our super strength by doing a lot of exercises.



We have also been cooking super healthy food- we made Oat and banana cookies. We had a lot of fun



exploring ingredients using our senses, practising some Makaton sign, turn taking and sharing with adults and our peers.

PTA @ BH

PTA Meeting Tuesday 7th March 8.30pm

ONLINE (link to follow)

Dear Parents / Carers

We are hoping to build a strong PTA partnership with Brookfield House Campus parents, teachers and the local community.

We have a very small number of parents and staff keen to get the PTA going again and start fundraising for the children in the school to enrich their time here with exciting events and partnerships.

Open this link to join our PTA Brookfield House Campus WhatsApp Group:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/FbhjZEooQmBo5O2O3WJm9>

The school have asked for funds and volunteers to help with a gardening/playground project in April which will be our main focus for the meeting and then hopefully something for the kids in the summer.

If you can't make the meeting but would like to register your support and have a copy of the meeting minutes sent to you please email hello@brookfieldassociation.org.uk

For parents new to a PTA, it is made up of parent volunteers who help organise and help support fundraising events to raise extra funds for improvements such as play and learning equipment, school trips and activities. In previous years the PTA has raised funds and applied for grants to purchase school buses, a sensory garden with a wheelchair accessible green house, sensory room equipment, classroom gifts etc.

Learning @ WM – Hawking Class

February 1st marked the start of the LGBTQ+ History Month. Every class picked an LGBTQ+ Inspirational Individual and worked on a project based on this person. Each class will present their work to the rest of the school in a whole school assembly, taking pride in their work. It is a chance for our learners to celebrate the diversity we have within our communities and to teach them the importance of acceptance and valuing each other.



Hawking class has chosen Andy Warhol - one of the most famous American artists of the latter half of the 20th century. We explored the Pop Art movement, in which everyday objects and media images were used. The learners created their portraits inspired by Warhol's famous colourful portrait of American movie star, Marilyn Monroe.

In Understanding the World, this term the learners are investigating why the Tudor period was a significant turning point in British History. They are exploring the various monarchs who ruled during this time and explained how their reigns differed.



In Hawking class, the learners were introduced to the timeline of the Tudor period. They were given pictures of the Tudor monarchs and worked together to put them in the correct order of their reign. The learners calculated how long each monarch reigned for and gained some elementary knowledge of each of the rulers. In forthcoming lessons, the learners will explore in detail their lives and the key events during their reigns, comparing them to modern times, starting with Henry VIII and his wives.

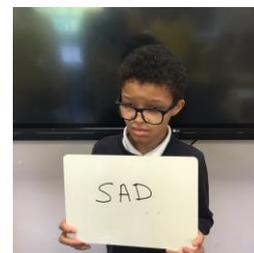
In Mental Health and Self-care, this term the learners are developing their understanding of their own emotions as well as those of others. They are considering ways to deal with different emotions, including being assertive, and using strategies to calm down and relax. They will revisit their personal networks, identifying those they can talk to about their feelings.



In Hawking class, the learners have identified a basic range of emotions, developing a language to describe them, and considering what prompts different feelings in themselves and others. They have

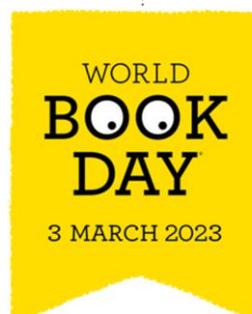


explored how those emotions affect the way we think, feel and behave. They are developing skills to communicate effectively to others how they are feeling, simultaneously identifying links between



their thoughts, feelings and behaviour. In order to enable the learners to develop positive self-esteem, they have identified what is special about themselves, including their skills as well as their character.

World Book Day



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Community Information



Open Day: Saturday 4 March, 10 am – 2 pm

Come along to one of our open events to find out more about our courses and what we have to offer you.

Everyone is welcome to attend! Whether you are a school leaver, an adult, or interested in our Higher Education courses – just register below to let us know you are coming.

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EVENTS & TRAINING

Waltham Forest Parent Forum provides practical training sessions to support families and holds events such as networking meetings and family friendly activities. Events and training are provided where funding allows for free or at very low cost.

Here are our upcoming events and training sessions:

Free training

Future Sessions: Booking details to follow.

Neurodiversity Celebration Week:

Dyslexia- Hints & Tips - 13th March 10AM (in person) William Morris Gallery with specialist teacher Sonia Ali (SENDSUCCESS)

Celebrating Neurodiversity 13th March 7PM- Laura Kerbey from NEST

Understanding ADHD - 16th March 7PM

Dyscalculia and Maths Anxiety- with Colin Foley Date to be confirmed

ADHD Support Group - with CAMHS

Autism Acceptance Week:

Autism Support Group with SENDSUCCESS- 27th March 10AM at William Morris Gallery

Girls and Autism with Amanda Hind (ND trainer and SENCO)- 28th March 7PM

Autism & Anxiety (including school attendance difficulties with Spectrum Gaming- 30th March 7.30PM

<https://www.walthamforestparentforum.com/>

£3 ZOO TICKETS!

London Zoo is offering £3 tickets for anyone currently receiving Universal Credit, Employment and Support Allowance, Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance.

- The £3 tickets are available for the whole family and under 3's go free.
- Tickets can be purchased from the admissions kiosk on the day, from 11am, every day of the week.
- Just bring proof of benefit letter (electronic or paper).
- Offer runs until the end of March 2023.



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