

Newsletter 13th January 2023

Key things to remember

- 18th January 19:00 **Keeping Children Safe Online- parent workshop**
- Reminder for all children that have French lessons- French classes will be on Thursday 19th instead of Wednesday 18th for one week only.
- If you haven't done so already, remember to select your child's school meals through Evolve <https://www.myevolvehub.com/login>
- You can order school milk through <https://www.coolmilk.com/>

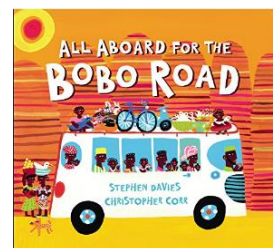
What's been happening in school?

Assemblies

This week our theme is 'Be Safe'. We have been learning about safe and unsafe situations in school and at the park. We also learned about strangers and 'safer strangers' such as police, firefighters etc. that we can ask for help if we are lost. Fireman Sam taught the children about fire safety and the danger of playing with matches/lighters. Year one will be also learning about safety with medicines and household products this term as part of their PSHE/RHE curriculum.

Reception

This term the Reception children's context for learning is 'Amazing Animals' in which they will be learning about African animals. As part of this they have been listening to the story 'All Aboard for the BoBo Road' by Stephen Davies which is set in Burkina Faso and follows the story of Fatima, Galo and their dad Big Ali who drives the BoBo bus through the country looking at the amazing animals and learning about West African culture along the way. They have also been practising writing a sentence about what they can see in the book.



Year 1

Our Year 1 classes will be learning about the UK and London this term. To begin the topic they have been reading the book Katie in London, which describes the story of Katie and her brother Jack, who get a special tour of London from a Trafalgar Square lion! They tour of the sights, including the Tower of London, the London Eye and Buckingham Palace. They have been looking at aerial photographs to recognise landmarks and human features of the capital.



Year 2

Our Year 2 children have been introduced to the concept of multiplication in Maths and have also been learning to use the multiplication symbol. In English, they have been reading the story of the Iron Man and learning about its author Ted Hughes. They have also been learning about noun phrases and expanded noun phrases.



There is still time to book on our Keeping children safe online- parent workshop

WBIS will be hosting a joint workshop with West Bridgford Junior School on 'Keeping Children safe Online' on **Wednesday 18th January 2023 19:00-20:00** on Zoom. An email with booking details was sent out last week. The workshop will:

- Help you understand how children experience the online world
- Show you resources and tools that could help you keep them safe
- Empower you to guide them on their journey

A Zoom link will be sent to anyone who has booked a place before the meeting.

Reception classes: Power of the Drums workshop

On **Tuesday 24th January**, we will be holding three 'Power of the Drums' workshops (one for each Reception class) during the school day.

'The Power of Drums' is a Nottingham drumming circle facilitated by Andy Harris. Andy is an experienced teacher and community worker who is coming into the school to introduce the children to the African djembe drums as well as a variety of percussion instruments. The children will get the opportunity to play the drums and different percussion instruments and learn about their instruments and their history.

The cost of putting on this event is £3.00 per child. We would be most grateful if you would be able to go onto parent pay to contribute if you can.



Welcome to our new Trainee Teacher

We would like to extend a big welcome to our new trainee teacher Miss Baines who will be with us for the Spring term. Miss Baines has shared the following message: "You may have seen me in the playground and wondered who I am. I am currently a student teacher spending my second placement of my teaching course with Class 8 until 24th February. It has been fantastic getting to know everyone so far and I'm looking forward to continuing to work with your children, alongside Mrs Dinsdale and Mrs Ward. Please feel free to come and chat to me if needed – or just to say hi!"

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor and will be asking for parent/carer nominations in the coming weeks. If this is something you think you might be interested in we have added information about the role of a Parent Governor to our web site. <https://westbridgfordinfant.secure-primariesite.net/meet-the-governors/>

King's Coronation-Extra Bank Holiday

The Government has announced a one-off bank holiday on Monday 8 May 2023 to mark the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III. Schools will close on this day. We are planning to mark the occasion with special activities on Friday 5th May.



Working together to ensure our children are safe,
happy and healthy. Ready to learn, ready for life, ready
to shine.



Key dates 2023

We have set as many dates as possible for the year ahead and we will try to honour these dates, however dates may have to change due to circumstances outside our control. More detailed information about individual events will be shared over the coming weeks. Any dates in **purple** are PTA events.

22 nd January	Chinese New Year
3 rd February	Pupil Parliament
10 th February	Last day of Spring 1 term
11 th -19 th February	Spring half term holiday
20 th February	Children return to school
W.C 20 th February	World Diversity week
2 nd March	World Book Day
W.C 20 th March	Arts Week- joint with WBJs
W.C 20 th and 27 th March	Parents' evenings
31 st March	Break up for Easter Holidays
1 st - 16 th April	Easter holidays