



BWI Bugle

Belief in God, Our Children and Their Future

Dear Parents,

2009/2010 Issue 2

Welcome to the first emailed edition of the Bugle. I hope you have all received it without a problem. To be able to send emails to all parents is going to save us so much time and paper. If you are not receiving emails, or if you have no email access, please let us know.

Christmas Productions
With ten performances and six dress rehearsals Christmas was very exciting. Thank you all for coming along and making each one such a special occasion for your children.

Building news

The Governors and I had a meeting last week to discuss the next stage in the building process. The London Diocese have put out tenders for the work to be done. We have some

plans which we will enlarge and put on display for you to see.

The £750,000 is for completion of the first of four phases. Our idea is to fund raise so that we can complete more than one phase of the project.

Robyn Higgins Appeal
You helped us to raise **£776.61**.

Thank you so much for your wonderful generosity. Fiona Leonard in Year 4 and her family have spear-headed this fund raising and it is they who will take the money collected to give to Robyn's family tomorrow. Grateful thanks also to Fiona's friends, Lillie Turner, Rachel Willett and Jasmin Phelan who have played a big part in the fund raising, along with their families.

BT Buddies Christmas Charity Collection

The grand sum of **£526.21** was collected in the retiring collection after each of the Christmas performances. Again, thank you so much for your generosity.

Fundraising for New Build

We aim to raise money for our school through various fundraising projects and by investigating grants and bids available. The fund-raising started with the Green Day (see inside) and continues with Mrs Hill and I running the Brighton Marathon in April. We are looking to form a fund raising team to work alongside governors and staff. If you are not able to join the team but have ideas, please contact Karen Simpson (PA parent) via the school office.

1st February, 2010



The Noah's Ark Room, our Inclusion Unit.

Special points of interest:

- *BWI Building Project*
- *Charity Collections*
- *Multi-Cultural Week*
- *Free laptop and web access*
- *Triple P Parenting support classes*

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Individual Achievements

We held several competitions last term which attracted many children's interest. All entries were very good and it was so difficult to choose winners.

Christmas Card Competition Winners

Ollie Marsters in Year 2

Uyi Uguibe in Year 5

PA Christmas Bauble Competition

The 17 entries each received a prize and a certificate from the PA.

Hippo Water-saver Poster Competition

Three posters were sent

away to join the wider competition — Marcus Burns in Year 1; Alannah Coleman in Year 5; Abigail-Rose Haggart in Year 6.

Christmas Tree Competition Winner

Hurricanes

Thank you to all children

Eco Warrior Update

led by Mrs Stone



On Thursday 26th November, BWI took part in a national campaign to **Keep Britain Tidy**. Each class spent half an hour collecting litter in and around the school. We collected 23 bags of rubbish and found some interesting items, including a handbag and a wellington boot!

The Eco Warriors planned a **Green Day** on Thursday 14th January. Children came to school wearing an item of clothing that was made from re-cycled material. In return, they brought in an unwanted gift or

an old toy that was sold on a stall at the end of the day. The money raised **£181.44**, is going towards the New Build in order to pay for Eco-friendly items such as light sensors.

The Eco Warriors continue to try and conserve energy by ensuring lights, taps and projectors are turned off when not in use. Are you doing your bit by recycling at home?

Our project to build a plastic bottle greenhouse is going ahead,

so please keep saving **2 Litre plastic bottles** for this and bring them into your child's class.

Unfortunately, our school designs for the Eco-Warriors competition for Hippo Water Savers were not chosen.

But we are not disheartened, we will enter more competitions and keep trying.

Look out we have got more ideas in mind for our school this year!

School Council Update

led by Miss Quah

Hello! We are School Council. Our aims are: to make the school a better place so we have fun while learning; to bond with other schools and form relationships.

Chairperson: Nicholas Brown, Y6

Vice Chair: Megan Cammidge, Y6

Secretary: Elizabeth Hornal, Y6

Treasurer: Uyi Uwuigbe, Y5

Publicity Officer: Sam Parsons, Y6

Other School Council members are:



BWI School Council

Thomas Wardlaw, Niamh Metcalf, Alannah Coleman -Y5; Isa-Louise

Clark, Marcus Henderson, Chloe Pumares, Ethan Stacey- Y4; Charlie Moore, Jamie Geen, Charlotte Mitchell, Folakemi Kola Daisi—Y3. We have been talking a lot about behaviour and how we can discourage children from being in the Sanctions Room. We have some ideas which we are discussing with Mrs Westbrook and hope to put some in place very soon.

House Points



House Points last term

Edison 8 Fleming 12

Livingstone 4 Stevenson 6

House of the Term — Edison

Class of the term — Magpies

Our House Captains this year:

Livingstone: Esme Porter and Alex Czinner with Sophie Turner as Vice Chair. Fleming: Sam Bain and Megan Devenish with Cyreez Lewis



Class of the Week Sport Update

Mrs Hazell

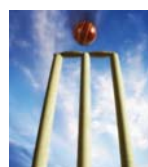
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as Vice Chair. Steven-son: Hasan Younis and Catherine Norris with Daisy Smith as Vice Chair.

Edison: Robert Kershaw and Constance Kirby with Louis Cowling as Vice Chair.

Sport Update

All the after-school sport clubs have successfully started with many children



Cricket
BWI lost to Breakspear by 1 run

Netball
Whiteheath 9 BWI 0

attending. This half term we are having Tag Rugby, and Cross Country starts in preparation for the schools competition in February.

Our Sainsbury's voucher equipment has arrived for PE and the Games Shop. I would like to thank everyone who supports our school in this way.

Class Events



Year 5 had a fashion parade to complement their creative curriculum topic of "Whats in the news".

Year 6 have been working on the Jarrow March and also World War II. There are two trips planned for this, one to the Imperial War Museum and one to The Cabinet War Rooms.



In September we celebrated the European Languages Day. Children in Key Stage 2 showed how fantastic their French linguistic skills are. This was done through song, dance, acting and storytelling.

Year 3 greeted us all in French - "bonjour/salut/bonsoir"

Year 4 sang a traditional French song, "Sur Le Pont d'Avignon" and performed a dance.

Year 5 sang a traditional French song, "Frère Jacques", as a round.

Year 6 sang a modern song called "The Washing Machine Song" and told the

story of "Jacques et les haricots magiques" (Jack and the Beanstalk).

In our prayers we thanked God for all the different languages around the world and for the opportunity to learn French here at BWI.

Year 4 went pond dipping as part of their creative curriculum environment topic. The book they are reading in conjunction with this is the Paper Bag Prince.

Year 3 went to Manor Farm as part of their Saxons project.

This term we are celebrating a different language from our school community, each week. Last week was Albanian, this week is Portuguese.

From the Office

If you have a child whose date of birth is between 01/09/2006 and 31/08/2007, please ensure you have submitted a BWI Application Form to the school office as we are currently in the process of offering places in the Nursery for the academic year 2010/11.

A reminder that jewellery, including earrings, are not part of our uniform as they are a Health and Safety issue. They should not be worn to school.

Mrs Johnson - Office Manager

Mrs Smith - Welfare Assistant

Please ensure children have a full school uniform including complete PE kit and water bottle (with sports closure). If their hair is of shoulder length or longer, please ensure it is tied back, for health and safety reasons.

Visit YourSchooluniform.com over the half term holiday to ensure you have your winter school uniform.

If you hear information in the school playground about which you are unsure, please feel free to call in to the school office where a member of staff would be only too pleased to help you.

A happy and healthy 2010 from Mrs Johnson, Mrs Smith and Mrs Turner.

Governor News

I am pleased to inform you that we have successfully filled our vacant places on the Governing Body. Please join me in welcoming Mr Jay Rewatkar, Foundation Parent, who has daughters in Rainbows and Year 6, and Mrs Pam Burchell, Deanery Synod appointed, who has a daughter in Reception. Mrs Olaitan Ayandipo, who has a son in Year 4, is also joining us as an Associate Governor. Their skills and experience will only serve to enhance our efficiency and effectiveness in our aim to support BWI as we move from good to outstanding.

Further to our earlier letter regarding the Kitchen and Dining Facilities Project (KDFP), we are pleased to confirm the

agreed scope of works as follows:

Creation of the Early Years Unit including the Nursery and 2 x Reception classes with outside play area; installation of a kitchen in the area of the current Nursery; modifications to the Hall to provide room for a corridor area; creation of a studio area adjacent to the hall to allow for dining in the main hall whilst still keeping a hall space.

Following a meeting with the consultants and Diocese on 15th December, the Planning submission were made before Christmas for the kitchen and the studio and tenders invited for the work.

Mr Tim Rollin—Chair of Governors

These have now been returned. Internal layouts are being currently finalised and plans of the future phasing of the Masterplan will be available soon on the school website.

We have set up a Working Party, which consists of staff, governors and parents. Parents and children will be consulted at every opportunity.

As we move into this exciting stage of development in the history of BWI, the Governors wish all the staff, children and their families a happy and peaceful year ahead.

Community Cohesion

by Mrs Voisey

Multi-cultural Week will be held from Monday 8th to Thursday 11th February, 2010. We will be holding a special celebration evening for children, parents, family and friends on the evening of Wednesday 10th. We have several people giving a demonstration of an aspect of their culture during the evening—if you would like to volunteer, it isn't too late. Please let me know.

The afternoon **E-Safety** session was well attended—the evening less so. Those who attended found it to be very informative and thought provoking. We plan to hold further sessions and hope you will come along. It is very important that you are aware of the dangers of the websites that your children might be

using, either with or without your knowledge.

The **Ruislipforeveryone.com** website went live last term. Remember to have a look and find out what is going on in the local community.

Free English Classes for parents are being funded by the Learning and Skills council. If you would like to attend, please phone Maya on 020 8426 2666 or email: maya-devi.sreenivasan@iga-group.co.uk

Ruislip High School are hosting monthly **Coffee Mornings** for speakers of other languages. This is an opportunity for you to meet other parents/carers and staff to discuss any school issues

you may have. Keep a look out for the date of the next coffee morning on the touch screen in the entrance hall.

Triple P Parenting Support Classes were offered out to parents of Reception aged children. Unfortunately, there was not enough parental interest to enable us to run the group. We will now be offering out to Year 1 parents with a view to starting them after half term.

If you have any Community events that you would like to advertise in this section of the Bugle, please send me the details.

Forthcoming Community Event at BWI

Multi-Cultural Evening 10th February

Healthy Schools

Whole school fruit challenge: to have a piece of fruit in our lunch boxes every day — staff and children!

Healthy Eating

To try and encourage classes to eat fresh fruit and vegetables we are completing a daily record in each class of how much is being eaten.

The Class of the Week award for the class that has eaten the most fruit is



going well. Children are eating their fruit before or after play, in an effort to encourage them to eat it and not just throw it away.

Children are earning certificates for their positive behaviour at lunch time and for lining up quickly and quietly at the end of play time. Each week these are totalled to find the Class of the Week.

For you to Remember

Soft Start

is now well under way and very much part of the school day. Children are much calmer and more settled at the beginning of the day.

For those who are new to our school, Soft Start is where children come straight into the classroom as they arrive, between 8.40 and 8.50 and complete an activity.

The bell rings at 8.45 to remind

those who are only just arriving that they need to go straight to class.

The register is still taken at 8.50, so all children **need to be in class by then** or they will be marked as late.

If children arrive after 8.50 the classroom door will be shut and they will be sent to the office to sign into the late book.

Parking Outside School

Traffic wardens patrol outside the school regularly. To avoid a ticket, please park safely. Cars are still parked on the zigzag lines and yellow lines outside school. Even if you are late it is against the law to park or stop there. Also, cars are being parked in front of the school gates. It is very dangerous to park there as you cannot see when you drive out. **Think!** We all want our children to be safe.

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PA News Ciaran Purcell—Chairperson

The Pantomime was a great success, with more than 800 tickets sold.

BWI Recipe Books are still available with proceeds to the New Build fund. Please ask at the school office.

Class Reps Meeting on Thursday 4th Feb.

Next Event Cake Sale—Friday 26th February, proceeds to the New Build fund.

Granary Kids Before and After School Club

Please contact Paulette Jean-Jacques if you would like a place.

And Finally

Free Laptop and Web Access— Home Access PC/Internet Grant

The government has made a grant of up to £528 available for low income families with children living in England; it's targeted at those without access to the internet.

Depending on your need, you can get up to £528 to spend on a computer (laptop, desktop, netbook and one year's web access). You can only go to retailers who operate the scheme, which include Comet, Phones4u and Misco.

Who is eligible?

- Your children need to be in Years 3 to 9
- It is for families with lower income, for which there are tests. Generally speaking, if your child is eligible for free school meals, or you receive income support, income based JSA, child tax credit plus an income lower than £16,060, it is worth checking it out.

How many people can get it?

The scheme is due to run for the next 18 months and there is a maximum of 270,000 grants available, one per household.

Continuing the Learning Journey DVD

Parents in Year 1 were invited in to see this DVD. It was received very favourably with comments such as "Now I know what my child does all day and I can see how they have progressed since Reception."

Special Thanks

To Peter Bainbridge Auction Rooms who donated a large and very generous amount of items for the Myosotis Appeal.

Forthcoming Events

Candlemas Mass takes place this week in the school hall on Thursday 4th February at 2.15 pm. Only children in KS2 take part, but all parents from across the Key Stages are very welcome to attend.

Multi-Cultural Week 8th to 11th February, 2010. Evening event for parents—Wednesday 10th February

Parents' Evenings taking place in the week beginning 8th March.

Stations of the Cross for Y3 to Y6 at St Martin's Church taking place in the week beginning 22nd February.

Lent Assemblies for Foundation and Key Stage 1 taking place in the weeks beginning 15th March and 22nd March

Lent Mass for Y5 and Y6 in St Martin's Church Thursday 18th March at 2pm. Parents welcome.

Children's Retreat to Walsingham Friday 19th March

Good Work Assemblies for KS2 taking place in the weeks beginning 22nd March and 29th March.

End of Term Church Service in St Martin's Church Wednesday 31st March at 11 am.

Mother and Toddler Group 10-12am at St Martin's Church Re-opens on 5th February for children from birth to school age. Please contact the Parish Office on 01895 625456 or look on their website.

Look Who's Talking Final Rachel Bailey, Y6, is representing BWI in the Year 5/6 Borough-wide Competition. Good Luck, Rachel.

Very well done to William Mackay, Y2 and Marcus Henderson, Y4 who represented BWI in the Borough heats.

Last day of this half-term
Thursday 11th February, 2010

First day back:
Monday 22nd February, 2010