

THE BELHAM BUZZ

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HEAD TEACHER'S NOTE

Welcome to the new academic year, and the first Belham Buzz of this term.

The first Year 1 & 2 parent tour of the two completed classrooms took place today over at our main site. Parents and trustees saw two finished Y1 classes, the infant music and movement room, toilets and a small staff kitchen - this probably represents less than one tenth of what will be the refurbished Victorian building.

The pilings for the new build which will house the main hall, upper hall and many other spaces will commence later this term. I think the spaces look great even if there isn't much to see right now - if you are visiting just bear in mind there is a lot more to come! Our trustees are now working with Morgan Sindall, the EFA and Southwark Council to plan next steps for site locations.

BRING ME SUNSHINE ART PROJECT

As a continuation of the 'Bring Me Sunshine' cross-generational project with Elim House, this term Year 1 and 2 will be creating artwork based on their discussions with residents. Each class will visit Elim House and we are looking for parents to accompany us; please email the school office if you can help on any of the following dates: Cotton: Thursday 29 September / Linen: Thursday 17 November / Poplin: Thursday 19 January.

COPELSTON ROAD GARDEN

We are very excited that landscaping will be complete by next Monday, with the garden ready for use by the school the week beginning Monday 26 September.

YEAR 1 & 2 PARENTS' EVENINGS

Advance notice of teacher/parent meetings for Year 1 and 2 pupils on Tuesday 18 October, 3.40pm – 7.40pm.

KEY DATES

Thursday 15 September

Cotton class Bring Me Sunshine singing session
FoB/Peckham Society evening cultural stroll

Friday 16 September

FoB Reception coffee morning at Anderson's, 9am

Monday 26 September

Earlybirds & Owls sessions start for Reception classes

Thursday 29 September

Cotton class Bring Me Sunshine singing session at Elim House & art project
FoB parents and carers social – venue tbc

Friday 30 September

Individual pupil and sibling photographs
FoB Y1 & 2 coffee morning at Anderson's, 9am

FRIENDS OF BELHAM

For those new to the school, the voluntary Friends of Belham (FoB) is our wonderful parent teacher association, organising social and fundraising events for the school.

The first FoB event of the new school year is an evening cultural stroll around Peckham with the Peckham Society on Thursday 15 September. Meet outside the Dog About Town next to the school for an 8.15pm start. It promises to be a mixture of culture, history and interesting things about the places and buildings you pass every day. There will be a bucket for voluntary donations, to be split between FoB and the Peckham Society. The event will be alcohol-free, with an invitation to head to the Montpellier afterwards to discuss new found facts.

FoB are also organising informal class coffee mornings and a parent carer social; please see key dates above and find out more about FoB on our [website](#).