

# THE BELHAM BUZZ



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## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

One of the many things that we are looking forward to when we move into the new school building, is having an on-site kitchen where our chef can prepare a wide range of delicious meals. However, for the first four weeks of January, the kitchen will not be operational so the catering company, Chartwells, will be providing pupils with their lunches. Over the course of the week, they will have a packed lunch for three days, which will include a sandwich, and on the remaining two days, hot soup and roll, and a jacket potato with fillings. This is of course a temporary measure and we will ensure that your children eat a nutritious lunch each day. There are a variety of sandwich fillings on offer and we would like you to let us know which fillings you would most like your children to have in their sandwiches. A Google form link will be sent out in a separate email within the next week. Please fill in your responses by 1 December.

## CHRISTMAS FUN AFTERNOONS

All parents are now invited to book into a slot at their child's 'Christmas fun afternoon'. There are 2 slots per session – 1pm or 2pm – and a maximum of 15 adults per session (1 adult per child please). All parents will be invited into the classrooms to join their children in festive craft activities and a Christmas singalong to get into the festive mood! Please email the office to let us know whether you would like to come to the 1pm or 2pm session for your class. Dates are as follows:

**Monday 11 December** : Year 2 and 3

**Tuesday 12 December** : Reception and Year 1

## FRIENDS OF BELHAM : NEW COMMITTEE

The Friends of Belham elected a new committee at their AGM last week. Please see the poster attached for a full update and some faces to the names. We would love to hear from you!

## KEY DATES

**Tuesday 28 November, 9.30 - 12.30**

Year 1 Multi-skills sports session at Lions Centre, Millwall  
\*packed lunch needed

**Thursday 30 November**

Year 1 trip to Horniman Museum  
\*packed lunch needed

**Tuesday 5 December**

Reception and Year 1 trip to see the 'Ugly Duckling'

**Volunteers are needed for all 3 trips – please email the office if you are able to help**

## CALLING ALL ENGINEERS!

To launch 'STEAM at The Belham' we will be taking part in a national engineering competition. A condition of entry is that an engineer comes to talk to the children about their job. If you are/or know of any engineers please contact Ally ([asprakes.210@lgflmail.org](mailto:asprakes.210@lgflmail.org))

## FoB DISCO THIS FRIDAY

The FoB are holding a disco for the children this Friday 24 November at The Peckham Liberal Club, 24 Elm Grove. There are 3 sessions:

Reception: 3.45pm - 4.15pm

Year 1: 4.30pm - 5.00pm

Years 2 & 3: 5.15pm - 6.00pm

There is a suggested donation of £2 per child on the door; siblings are welcome, refreshments will be provided for the children and there is a bar for the adults! Parents/carers need to remain with their children throughout.

## SAVE THE DATE : FoB CHRISTMAS GROTTO

Come along to the Friends of Belham Christmas Grotto on Saturday 9 December, 10 – 1pm at the Copleston Gardens, across the road from the Copleston Centre. Keep warm with some delicious mulled wine and enjoy the beautiful sounds of the carol singers while your children negotiate with Santa in the Grotto. Don't forget to collect your pre-ordered Christmas tree on the way out while the children puzzle out the treasure hunt.

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## DULWICH ART FESTIVAL

Calling all artists. Are you interested in displaying your art in the Dulwich Art Festival? The Belham Primary School will be opening up some of our hall space for this year's Dulwich Art Festival so that local artists can display their work as part of the 25th year celebrations of the Artists' Open House. Artists would still need to register with the Dulwich Festival (the cost is approximately £95) but would be able to display their work in school for free. If you are interested or know of an artist who may be interested, please email [tturnham1.210@lgflmail.org](mailto:tturnham1.210@lgflmail.org) to express your interest.

## CHRISTMAS TREES FROM FoB

Order your Christmas Trees from FoB and help raise money for the Belham. Last year we raised over £400 from selling pre-ordered trees to parents and carers. The school receives £10 for each tree sold, so please invite friends, family and neighbours to place an order. The quality Norwegian Spruce trees come in over 4 sizes, and are cheaper than local retailers and pubs.

Please see the order form attached to this email for full details.

All orders must be placed, with advance payment, by 10am on Friday 2 December. Trees will be collected at the Christmas Grotto event on Sat 9th December, from the school's Garden beside The Latter Rain Outpouring Revival Church, on Copleston Road from 10 till 12pm.