

THE BELHAM BUZZ

The Belham
Primary School



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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

Next week, each class will be receiving their own plant to help purify the air in the school, courtesy of the Belham parent-led Air Quality Group. We will have a special assembly to 'introduce' the plants, and talk about how they improve our environment and how to care for them properly. I had a lovely conversation with a pupil this week about what we should be doing to better look after our outdoor plants and I was surprised at how knowledgeable she was! Since my own attempts to care for my plants have been rather unsuccessful in the past, I would like to recruit some pupils to help me present this assembly: a perfect opportunity to set an optional whole school homework! Pupils can present their 'Plant Care Tips' in whatever format they like. They might want to also include additional information about specific air purifying plants, like spider plants and parlour palms, or explain how they can help improve our immediate environment. Our plant focused assembly will take place on 14 May but all children will have a chance to talk about their homework in class.

YEAR 1 TOPIC : INCREDIBLE JOURNEYS

Year 1 will be using the creative space on the second floor (the CRAZE) for our topic of 'Incredible Journeys'. If you have any interesting resources/artefacts you wish to contribute to our Topic area this would be greatly appreciated.

SPORTS DAY 2018

Sports Day will be taking place on the afternoon of 29 June in Warwick Gardens. Put the date in your diaries!

TALK 'JOBS' WITH RECEPTION

Reception will be learning about different types of jobs this term. If you are a nurse, doctor, work for the police or have any job that you would be willing to talk about with the children, please email the office. The talks will be taking place w/c 14 May and w/c 21 May.

FoB SUMMER FAIR- SATURDAY 7 JULY

The annual FoB Summer Fair will take place in the Dog Kennel Hill Adventure Playground, 11am -3pm. There will be much fun to be had by all, with stalls including: Teddy bear tombola, Toys and Second hand uniform, Lucky Dip, Win a Jar, Face Painting, Golden Ticket, Drinks, Refreshments and the Fire Brigade!

KEY DATES

Thursday 3 May

Parents' Coffee Morning and Maths Workshop (please see below)

TRIPS IN MAY

Wednesday 9 May Reception will be visiting Vauxhall City Farm to extend their learning for the upcoming 'Food' topic. This is a brilliant opportunity for children to learn more about the farming process as well as to meet the animals! This is an all day trip – packed lunch and appropriate clothing required.

Monday 14 May Wool Class trip to Dulwich College to see the James Caird boat - packed lunch required.

Thursday 17 May Felt Class trip to Dulwich College to see the James Caird boat - packed lunch required.

Please email the office if you are able to volunteer for any of these trips

MATHS WORKSHOP – THURSDAY 3 MAY

All parents are warmly invited to a Coffee Morning (from drop off) and Maths Workshop from 9.15 to 10.00am. Come along to find out how we teach calculations at the Belham. This session will also be repeated after school on Thursday 10 May. If possible please email the office to book in so we have an idea of numbers.

FoB BAGS2SCHOOL

Following the success of the last Bags2school, we have organised another for the week after half term, giving you loads of time to have another clear out. It's a great way to teach your children how to recycle clothes so that they can go to people that are in need of them. For every kilo weighed FoB will receive 40p.

We will let you know when bags will be distributed into each child's school bag. Information on what to put in the bags will be circulated before half term

Please bring your bags to school on the morning of 7 June at drop in the main playground.

Creative reflection time next week will be about:

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THE BELHAM ART EXHIBITION

I am sure most of you have heard of the Dulwich Festival's Artists' Open House; well, this year we are very excited to announce that we have teamed up with the Dulwich Festival to include our school art exhibition in the Artists' Open House. The glossy brochures will soon hit local businesses and you will see a sneak peak of some of your children's excellent art that will be exhibited alongside professional artists. We have a number of local artists who will also be exhibiting at The Belham.



The grand opening of the exhibition will be on Saturday 12 May (11-5) and it will continue to run on Sunday 13, Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 May (11-4).

The Friends of Belham are looking for people who like to be surrounded by magnificent art and refreshing drinks. If you're able to help out on the refreshments stall on any day of the festival (12 & 13 May, 19 & 20 May), at a time that would work for you, please contact Pat Murray at patrickjamesmurray@gmail.com

FoB AT THE VELODROME

We had a fantastic time at the Herne Hill velodrome last weekend, it was great to see how well the kids cycled and how well they paid attention to the coaches. Thank you to everyone who came along.

To follow up, we have a session on the mountain bike track at the velodrome this Saturday (April 28) for 20 children age 6 or over from 2:30pm to 3:30pm.

Friends and family are more than welcome to ride. Any child's bike with knobby tires is good for this session; the velodrome also has a small number of bikes available for hire. Latest breaking news, the velodrome has said that they are also happy for any adult with a mountain bike to join.

The cost is £5.30 per rider, tickets available at <http://buytickets.at/friendsofbelham/157552>

FoB CAMPING WEEKEND 23/24 JUNE

There are:

Friday night: 79 tickets left

Saturday night: sold out

Friday and Saturday night: sold out

Saturday day time: sold out

So if you haven't bought them already they are going, going soon to be gone!

Dates:

Fri 22 Jun 2018 5:00 pm - Sun 24 Jun 2018 12:00 pm

Location:

South London Scout Centre, Grange Lane, SE21 7LH

Details:

You can join us for 1 night, 2 nights or simply spend the day in the fun of the outdoors, just around the corner!

There will be a bar (cash only), a hot dog stand (cash only) and some organised games.

You will need to bring all your own camping equipment (ie tent sleeping bag), food, charcoal/firewood and for those that don't want to bring your own BBQ, there will be one for you to use. Full details will be supplied nearer the time.

We have 4 ticket options available:

1. Friday Night stay only - from 5 pm (£5 per person)
2. Saturday Night stay only - from 12 noon (£5 per person)
3. Both Night stay (£10 per person)
4. Saturday Day ticket - from 12 noon (£2 per person)

* If you are going for option 1 you will need to leave the site by 12 noon on Saturday. If you wish to stay later, you will need to purchase a Saturday day ticket (option 4).

* If you are staying Saturday night (option 4), Saturday day is included with in the £5 ticket.

Closing date for booking: Friday 18 May

Ticket prices are per person, not per tent/family

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofbelham/159679#>

FoB BUNTING

Do you have any old yellow school tops or unusable school uniform? We would love to have to recycle into FoB bunting. Contact michellehardy1975@gmail.com