

# THE BELHAM BUZZ

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## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

At The Belham, we are always keen to gather the views of parents and carers about school related topics and we welcome any kind of feedback. I find coffee mornings, the weekly Celebration Assembly, and drop off and pick up times in the playground great times to have a brief catch up with parents. However, in order to gain a comprehensive picture of where you think we are, we send out a yearly parent questionnaire where you can respond to statements about school life and highlight what you think we are doing especially well. We also invite suggestions for areas of improvement. I would encourage all families to complete the survey, as we will be using the information gathered to help plan for the future. You can access the parent questionnaire on the following link, to be completed by Friday 6 July: <https://goo.gl/forms/XDOpy5SfcPk6uNd63>

Congratulations to our first ever house winners, Peck, who collected the most house points over the first half of the summer term. The results were incredibly close and all children did well to win house points for demonstrating the Belhamite values at all times during the school day. Well done!

## HOT WEATHER

The last week or so has been very warm and the nice weather is set to continue. With this in mind, please make sure your child brings a hat to school and, if possible, a bottle of water. We recommend that you apply suncream to your child before they come to school. However if they bring in a named suncream they will be able to reapply it before lunchtime under supervision.

## BOOKS FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS!

Next week we will be holding our last Travelling Book Fair of the year. Please come along to see the range of books and other items on offer. Travelling books are currently running a 3 for 2 promotion as well as donating 60% of all sales back to the school to help build our class libraries. You will be receiving information in your child's book bag over the next few days. Timings are 3 July – 6 July 8.30am - 9am and 3.15 – 4pm. Please enter through the main playground and head towards the dining hall. Please bring exact money.

Creative reflection next week will be about:

DR SEUSS

## KEY DATES

### Thursday 28 June

Parent Workshop, 7.00pm 'Nurturing Sibling Harmony'

### Friday 29 June

Sports Day in Warwick Gardens. Please see email sent today

**Please collect all lost property by Friday 29 June**

### Tuesday 3 July

Year 1 to The South London Gallery : Wool class from 9.00 – 12.00pm, Felt class from 11.00 to 3.00pm. Packed lunch is required for Felt Class only.

'School Readiness Workshop' by Lorraine Thomas, 7.00pm please note that this is for all current Reception parents as well as those starting in September. Please email the office to book a place.

### Thursday 5 July, 6.00pm

Summer Concert – all details sent in separate email yesterday

## EARLYBIRDS AND OWLS – AUTUMN TERM

For the Autumn Term we have a new booking system. An email will be sent at **12.00 noon on Monday 2 July** which will contain a link to a Google Form. We anticipate a high demand for places next term. Therefore it is important to note that:

- Places will be allocated strictly on a first come, first served basis. The Google Form system times each reply so it is fair and transparent!
- Please only book the places you will need – don't book places 'in case' you need them with a view to cancelling
- Reception children starting in September will only be allocated places from Monday 17 September
- Please complete one form for each sibling

## THE BELHAM COMMUNITY ART CLASSES

Mark Pearson, a local Peckham based artist, <http://markpearsonartist.com/index.php/london-life> is keen to run some adult art classes at the Belham next term. He has been running life drawing classes at another local venue, but now is keen to hear from you, as to what techniques you might wish to explore and whether learning or developing a new skill is of interest. Please drop Mark an email at [pearson.nic@gmail.com](mailto:pearson.nic@gmail.com) so he can tailor the sessions according to your needs. He will also be running a club for our pupils so we are excited to be involved with a local artist at all levels.

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## FoB Thanks

### FoB Camping Weekend

The inaugural Belham camping weekend was amazing - glorious weather, hordes of happy children and mostly relaxed parents. An awful lot of people poured in time and energy to make this happen - Camping committee - Caroline, Sally, Jo, Cassie, Jon and Radha. Water bottles & bunting – Lucy. Bar - Sally and Ian from Brick Brewery + volunteer bar hands. Barbeque - Caroline, Lucy, Ollie, and Jon - plus Sophie Johnson for doing an emergency run to the supermarket when we ran out of sausages. Bedtime stories – Tom. Face painting - Ginnie, Kat and Miriam. First aiders - Sophie Arden, Kat and Matt. Coffee van – focacciagogo. Flock & Herd. Gordon the warden at the South London Scout Centre. Dinosaur wrangling – Andy. Also a big thanks to the year 2 children who were selling jelly beans, jammy dodgers, portraits or anything they could get their hands on!

### FoB Reusable Drinking Bottles

Thank you to Lucy and her little helpers for selling the drinking bottles at the camping weekend! 97 out of 100 have been sold but don't worry we will be selling a second batch at the fair.

It's been great to see so many of the children carrying them into school.

## FoB Donation Requests!

### FoB Summer Fair – 7 July

Donations of **Good condition toys, second hand Uniform, teddy Bears** can be dropped off on Monday 2ND July. This is the last drop off date, allowing the team to get things organised.

Please bring to main playground at drop off and leave on the left-hand side of the main gate.

## FoB Volunteer Requests!

### FoB Summer Fair – 7 July

Thank you to everyone that has volunteered so far. We are still looking for ONLY a few more volunteers for 1 hour shifts for clear away and all the stalls.

Shift times that are still available:

SHIFT 4, 2-3pm, 3 volunteers needed & clear up: 3pm-4pm, anyone that can help!

**Please send an email to Michelle**

**on [michellehardy1975@gmail.com](mailto:michellehardy1975@gmail.com) if you can help in any way on any of the above.**

## FoB EVENTS

### FoB Summer Fair – Saturday 7 July 11am – 3pm

The summer fair is fast approaching and we are very excited to be hosting it again this year at Dog Kennel Hill Adventure Playground.

There will be lots of great stalls including Golden Ticket, Face painting, Win a jar, Lucky dip, Fair games, Toys and second hand uniform, Teddy Bear Tombola, plants and lots of yummy food and drinks. Music by Champion Hillbillies!

### FoB Yoga – Tuesday 10 July 7:30pm – 9pm

In conjunction with Harriet Bailey FoB are hosting a relaxing summer evening taster yoga class at the school. The class is open to those who already practice and a comfortable place to start for those wanting to get (back) into yoga.

Time: 7.30pm start, arrive 10 minutes before to gather and come in together.

Capacity: 16 people

Duration: 1 hour 30 minute class

Cost: £10 a head for a taster session

<http://buytickets.at/friendsofbelham/176355>

### FoB Velodrome Session - Sunday 15 July

We have arranged a last Velodrome session for the year on Sunday 15 July for 30 children on the inner track from 4pm to 5pm. This is for children who can ride without stabilizers, and who can start and stop on their own.

The velodrome has Frog bikes available for hire if required. Tickets are £3.60 per child, and are on sale now at <http://buytickets.at/friendsofbelham/176312>