



## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

One of the highlights of the school day for me is sitting down with the children at lunchtime and having a chat with them over a nutritious home cooked meal. Chef Paul and his team work hard to produce delicious food that the children enjoy, and I have to say, the standard of cooking is very high! The new Summer menu is available on our website so please have a look and see what we're offering. As well as an appropriately sized portion of the main dish, pupils also choose which vegetables or salad items they would like. However, we are finding that some pupils are reluctant to try new food or not finishing what they have chosen. The Belham prides itself on promoting a healthy lifestyle, both through our enriched curriculum and also through a carefully designed lunch menu. It would be great if parents/carers could look at the menu with their children and talk about what's on offer, gently encouraging them to try unfamiliar food and decide which vegetables or salad they would definitely like with their meal.

Just a quick reminder about last week's optional whole school homework! If pupils would like to present their 'Plant Care Tips' they need to have them finished and in school by Friday 11 May (see last week's Buzz for details).

## 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.

## BELHAM AIR QUALITY GROUP: WALKING BUS

The Belham Air Quality Group is looking into setting up a school walking bus - where two or more parents take it in turns to supervise a group of children walking to school, picking up children at planned stops along the way. We hope this will enable more children to walk to school. We're still in the planning stages but please email [harriet\\_bailey@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:harriet_bailey@yahoo.co.uk) if you would like to learn more or could volunteer to 'drive' the bus, or perhaps you already know of a few families that live along your route that might like to form a bus together? You can find out more on how the buses work here: [Walking School Bus](#)

## KEY DATES

### Thursday 3 May

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

### Wednesday 9 May

Reception to Vauxhall City Farm (please see below)

### Saturday 12/Sunday 13 May

Belham Art Exhibition as part of Dulwich Festival Artists' Open House (please see next page for details)

### FUTURE DATE : 29 June Sports Day 2018

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

## 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.

## 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**

Creative reflection time next week will be about:

**BARBARA HEPWORTH**

# THE BELHAM BUZZ

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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).

## FoB BAR AT THE BELHAM ART EXHIBITION

If you're able to help on the refreshments stall for an hour or two 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](mailto:patrickjamesmurray@gmail.com).

The refreshments stall is open to all, neither a love of art nor an affinity for drink is compulsory.

## 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!

## FoB CAMPING WEEKEND 23/24 JUNE

Camping trip tickets are still available for Friday night only. The deadline for buying tickets is 18 May.

**\*\*Ticket prices are per person, not per tent/family\*\***

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

## 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.**

## FoB BUNTING

Do you have any old yellow school tops or unusable school uniforms? We would love to have it and recycling it into FoB bunting. Please bring it into the school office labelled 'Michelle FoB'.

## MOUNTAIN BIKING

Many thanks to everyone who came along to our first session at the Herne Hill Velodrome mountain bike trail at the weekend. The children looked to be having a great time on the trail, and even learnt what ascend and descend meant.