

# THE BELHAM BUZZ

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## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

With the heatwave showing no signs of letting up, we decided to go ahead with Sports Day last Friday afternoon, making sure that our Belhamites were well watered and had some shelter from the Sun. Children took part in a variety of activities and races, working as a team to collect points for their House. Well done to Ravensbourne who are the first team ever to win a Belham Sports Day. All of the children had a brilliant day and showed fantastic team spirit as they supported each other. Parents also took part in a race, perhaps proving that the phrase 'it's not the winning but the taking part that counts' does not always apply. My personal highlight was watching Cotton class do an impromptu 'floss' to the music, accompanied by Mrs Case. I was somewhat comforted in the knowledge that I am too unhip to attempt such an activity. A huge thank you must go to Mr Turnham, who organised the whole event and set up the races with the help of other staff. I would like to say an additional thank you to Pete Guthrie for the use of his van and the other parents who helped on the day.

### Parent Questionnaire

It's your last chance to fill out our parent questionnaire before the deadline on Friday 6 July

<https://goo.gl/forms/XDOpy5SfcPk6uNd63>

## WHOLE SCHOOL PICNIC

On the last day of term, Friday 20 July, the whole school will be going to Warwick Gardens at 11.30am for an end of year picnic. All children will need to bring in a packed lunch. Parents, carers and younger siblings are invited to come and join us (parents should bring food for themselves and family plus a picnic blanket!). Parents may take their child directly from the park after 1pm. All other children will be walked back to school for collection at 1.15pm. PE kits etc. will be sent home the previous day. Should the weather be less than picnic friendly and we need to cancel, we will let parents know in advance. Please note there is no Afternoon Owls.

Creative reflection next week will be about:

**SONIA DELAUNAY**

## KEY DATES

### Thursday 5 July, 6.00pm

Summer Concert – please see below

### Wednesday 11 July, 9.00am and 5.00pm

Meetings for Year 2 parents to come and find out more about the September residential trip

## SUMMER CONCERT TOMORROW

We are really looking forward to our inaugural Belham Summer Concert. All children should arrive in uniform at 5.30pm. The concert begins at 6pm and lasts approx. 1 hour. If your child is in Owls, they can go directly to the concert. All children who learn an instrument at school should bring it in tomorrow to rehearse. Sadly, we can only fit one parent per family in the hall and no siblings - however the concert will be recorded so that everyone can see it afterwards. We hope you enjoy it!

## CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER

With only a couple more weeks of the term left and one foot already in the next academic year, I am pleased to announce who will be teaching and supporting your children in 2018-19.

### Reception

**Cotton** – Lauren Hogg

**Linen** – Anna Cagney

TA support: Ashley Moran, Mary Mellor, Shellie Lucas, Lara Kolawole

### Year 1

**Silk** – Maddy Tee

**Velvet** – Arabella Lopez

TA support: Schneeda Thorpe, Lottie Atkins, Lina Huballah

### Year 2

**Felt** – Catherine Viala

**Wool** – Christina Saullo

TA support: Iwona Mousli, Maxine Dogbatse-Joppa, Elizabeth Linton-Smith

### Year 3

**Satin** – Kate Gorely

**Taffeta** – Emily Downing

TA support: Agneiszka Rotuska-Seksaf, Konstantinos Vasileiou, Luciana Ribaudó

### Year 4

**Calico** – Tom Turnham

**Denim** – Katie Mander

TA support: Monika Kubiak, Laverne Miller, Sarah Hutchison

# THE FRIENDS' FRIENDLY

Friends of  
Belham



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## UPCOMING FoB EVENTS

### Summer Fair

One of the highlights of the FoB calendar is our annual Summer Fair! The weather looks set to be glorious so please come along from 11am on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July to the Dog Kennel Hill Adventure Playground. There will be – to name but a few – live music, a real-life fire engine on display, face painting, golden ticket competitions, lucky dips, welly wangling, knock the cans, toys and uniform sales, a house plant stall, a teddy bear tombola, and lots to eat and drink, including hotdogs, jerk chicken, and, of course, cakes! Fair finishes at 3pm and entry is £1 per adult, free for children. All are welcome, bring your relatives, friends, and neighbours! And get them to bring lots of change! If you're kindly donating cakes to the cake stall, please either drop them off at the school at Friday pick-up (main playground) or bring them to the cake stall during the fair itself. FoB are also incredibly grateful to Meaby and Co Solicitors for kindly sponsoring the fair.

### School Summer Concert

The school is hosting an evening concert on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July. FoB will be providing refreshments on a donation basis - so, please bring lots of cash with you. If anyone can help serve drinks during the evening (whilst still being able to watch their child/ren perform), please email the above FoB address.

### Annual General Meeting (AGM)

This is advance notice of FoB's AGM, held usually in November, full details TBC at the moment. This is your chance to learn more about how we spend the fundraised monies and get involved too! All parents/carers are automatically members of FoB so please make a note in your diaries and come along for what is a fun parent/carer social night too.

## UPCOMING FoB EVENTS

### Yoga with Harriet

Have you always fancied trying out a downwards dog in the lovely balcony area of our amazing school site? Well, now's your chance! Harriet, a qualified yoga teacher (and Belham mum!) is holding a 90-minute al-fresco class at the school on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, from 7.30pm. The class is suitable for both beginners and regular yoga-bunnies. Tickets are £10 each, available here: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofbelham/176355>

### Reusable Water Bottles

You may have noticed some groovy new water bottles on the scene, being shown off by some of children, parents, and school staff. These have been organised by FoB and will be available to buy at our various events. Made out of metal, and therefore reusable, this is part of FoB's commitment to more sustainable resources. We encourage you to purchase one (from a colour choice of red or blue) and bring them to FoB events to avoid the use of 'disposable' cups – and wherever else you like! There is space to label yours and they cost £5 each - look out for them at the Summer Fair.

### Velodrome Session

The last session for this academic year will be on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July (4pm-5pm) for 30 children on the inner track. If you haven't been before, it's fantastic fun with games and races for the children. This is for children who can ride without stabilizers and 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:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofbelham/176312>

## WHAT IS THE FRIENDS OF BELHAM?

The Friends of Belham (FoB) is The Belham Primary School's Parent-Teacher Association and is a registered charity (number 1168767). Our primary aim is to raise funds to provide additional equipment, projects, and activities for the benefit of children attending The Belham Primary School, in addition to arranging social events for pupils, parents/carers, and members of the wider local community to enjoy. We do this through organising and hosting fundraising events and activities. Our structure, activities, and what we may spend fundraising monies on is governed by the Parentkind PTA Constitution. The FoB committee is comprised entirely of Belham parent/carer-volunteers and every class has named FoB representatives, all of whom are elected by the parent/carer group at our AGM. Every Belham parent/carer is automatically a member of FoB, however, and we always welcome ideas, suggestions, and comments from all parents/carers. We meet about once a month and please see the FoB page of the school's website for our meeting notes and list of the current committee and class representatives. Please feel free to contact us at the above email address. Additionally, if you would like to attend our events, but cannot meet the suggested cost, you are welcome to contact us via the above email address in confidence.