

HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

A belated Happy New Year to everyone reading the Buzz this week. As always, there are many exciting trips, workshops and school events taking place this term, including a very interesting STEAM Week! You can keep up to date with what is happening at the Belham by checking the [events calendar](#) on our website. This term sees the first of our workshops where parents will be invited to discuss periods. This has been organised by the Trust's primary PSHE subject leaders and Lauren Hogg will be leading two of the workshops. We hope to see you there! An email will be sent out next week but for further details, see below:

Periods Workshop

Wednesday 1st February, 6pm - Dulwich Hamlet

Thursday 2nd February, 4pm - Charles Dickens

Parents can choose which workshop to attend.

Topics explored will be:

- Biology of periods/the cycle
- Normal/not normal quiz - i.e. when to speak to a grown-up
- Products - pads, tampons, period pants, moon cups
- Signposting - books, websites, in-school provision, period poverty and food banks

CREATIVITY, MUSIC CULTURE SURVEY

Dr Steven Berryman, Director of Creativity, Music and Culture for The Charter Schools Educational Trust, is keen to learn about the creative experiences of all our pupils. Parents and carers are welcome to share details via the form here - <https://forms.office.com/e/UGvXdHr5Be>

PE AND SWIM TIMETABLE SPRING 2023

MON	TUES	WEDS	THU	FRI
RECEPTION- Dance	Y4 - PE	Y1-PE	Y2 - PE	RECEPTION - PE
Y3 - PE	*	Y2 -SWIM	Y5 - PE	Y1- PE
Y5 - PE	*	Y3- PE	Y6-PE	Y4-PE
*	*	Y5 - DANCE	*	*
*	*	Y6-DANCE	*	*

KEY DATES

Tuesday 17th January

TRIP Reception (FELT) Mudchute Farm (packed lunch required)

Thursday 19th January

TRIP Reception (WOOL) Mudchute Farm (packed lunch required)

Wednesday 25th January

TRIP Reception – Peckham Fire Station (packed lunch required)

TRIP Y1 Horniman (packed lunch required)

1st February

Period Workshop @ Dulwich Hamlet 6pm

2nd of February

Period Workshop @ Charles Dickens 4pm

Friday 3rd February

Community Celebration Event (details to follow)

Monday 13th Feb-Friday 17th Feb

*****HALF TERM*****

RECEPTION 2023 APPLICATION DEADLINE

Just a reminder to any of our parents who are applying for a sibling place for Reception 2023 that the deadline is 11.59pm on 15 January 2023. You will be notified of the outcome of your application on National Primary Offer Day, 17 April 2023.

Applications must be made via the [eAdmissions](#) website. For full information on how to apply please, see the [Southwark Council website](#).

STEAM WEEK 2023 - A BRAVE NEW WORLD

STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art and Mathematics) week is fast approaching on the week commencing **23rd January**. Are you someone with a keen interest in current, future, technologies, engineering, AI software, drones, robotics or coding? Perhaps you are familiar with CNC machines and 3D printers? If so, we are keen to hear from you to help make this STEAM week extra special. Our topic this year is *A Brave New World*, looking at future technologies that inspire us. If you are a budding tech hobbyist and or have any expertise in this field, we would love you to get in touch. Please contact the school via the office asking Mr Wright, Miss Gorely and Mr Hartley.

THE FRIENDS' FRIENDLY

Friends of
Belham



13th December 2022

Meet the Friends of Belham (FoB) Committee & Class Reps

<http://www.thebelhamprimaryschool.org.uk/friends-of-belham.html>

Contact

friendsofbelham@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

4 th Feb	FoB Burns' Night Ceilidh
10 th March	School Disco
23 rd March	Quiz Night

BURNS' NIGHT CEILIDH 4th FEB



SAT 4TH OF FEB

Belham Ceilidh

Amott Rd Baptist Church, SE15 4HU

1ST SET WITH KIDS 6-7:30
2ND SET ADULTS ONLY 8-9:30

No dancing experience necessary!
Pay what you can afford
Light refreshments included
Paying bar (card only)
BYO cup

-Tickets-



Come and have a night of dancing on us. FoB is hosting a Scottish style barn dance: our very first Ceilidh to celebrate Burns' Night. There'll be a band and a caller guiding everyone through the dance moves. So don't worry if you don't know your Dashing White Sergeant from your Eightsome Reel – get your dancing shoes on, and give it a go. **Everyone welcome. Tickets are non-priced: pay what you can or come for free.** Any donations go towards the school. See poster for details:

Book Ceilidh tickets here:

<https://buytickets.at/friendsofbelham/821607>

We still need volunteers to help run the Ceilidh – on the night itself, and to cook some treats on the afternoon before, on Friday 3rd of Feb. Contact Elsa on elsowitsch@yahoo.co.uk if you think you can help.

WHAT IS FRIENDS OF BELHAM (FOB)?

The FoB committee has been having discussions about what our role is – and we wanted to share some of this with the wider school community. We're always happy to chat about this in person, so do contact us if you have questions. But in brief...

FoB is a charity run by school parents and guardians on a voluntary basis. We have a committee of elected volunteer trustees who run the admin side of things. With the assistance of class representatives, we organise fundraising events (usually outside school hours) that bring the school community together and raise money for the school. The purpose of FoB is to advance the education of pupils in the school by:

- *Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school.*
- *Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.*

FoB is run independently of the school and the school advises that parents contact the school directly (rather than via the class reps) with any concerns regarding the day-to-day management of the school or with ideas about school-led events run during school hours. All parents, guardians and staff are automatically members of FoB.

If you have an idea for an event, a skill to offer, or just want to get involved, please do get in touch at friendsofbelham@gmail.com, or via your class rep.

UNIFORM SALE

We will hold another uniform sale before the Easter holidays. Please do email us at friendsofbelham@gmail.com if you need items sooner than this. Just let us know what you'd like, and we can check what we have in store. £3 for bottoms and jumpers. £1 for T-shirts.