

## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

We have reached the end of another term and believe it or not, we are half way through the academic year. As always, this term has been jam-packed with events and activities, including the hugely successful STEAM Week – which culminated in an end-of-week exhibition of all of the children's bridges – numerous sporting competitions (see report below), and our usual offer of trips and workshops. The children will resume their busy timetable upon their return but once again, I would like to ask parents to make a voluntary contribution if possible so that we can continue to add 'glitter' to the curriculum. The suggested amount is £75 per child, but you can choose how much you would like to donate on SchoolsBuddy. Have a wonderful half term and I will see everybody on Monday 24 February.

## HEBER VS THE BELHAM - MATCH REPORT

### Heber vs The Belham YEAR 4 FOOTBALL Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February

**1<sup>st</sup> match: 4-2 to Heber**

**2<sup>nd</sup> match: 3-0 to Heber**

The Belham team strode confidently to Heber and in the first match took an early lead when James booted it into the goal after a brilliant pass from Ethan to make it 0-1. However, Heber hit back with an equaliser making it 1-1. Then Heber took the lead with another goal and it was 2-1 to Heber, oh no!! A few minutes later, Heber scored again (this was terrible) making it 3-1. James got a lucky goal back after Prince knocked the ball to him and the keeper made a mistake – the ball slipping through his legs. It was 3-2 to Heber. Heber got the ball past the valiant Belham defence (Max W, Ajhani, Flora, Surraya) and sadly scored another. The final whistle blew and the score was 4-2 to Heber.

In the next match, Heber's Year Five Team got 3 past the Belham's Year Four Team and The Belham were unable to score. It was 3-0.

Everyone played well as a team. We didn't win but we still got biscuits, YUM!!!

**By James Fletcher Satin Class**

## KEY DATES

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb HALF TERM**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb**

Yr 5 Swimming Catch up session

Yr 2 Swimming

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

COBNOR Residential parents meeting 5pm

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July (Time tbc)**

## SPORTS RELIEF

Sports Relief will soon be upon us! It starts on the week of March 9<sup>th</sup>. We have always done something special for Sports Relief and Comic Relief and this year will be no different!

### Taught Sessions:

We will have a national champion in to run Javelin sessions in the main playground On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March.

### Fundraising:

We are going to CLIMB MOUNT EVEREST!!

Each year group in the school (Reception and Year 1 will join forces) will climb the equivalent height of Everest (8848m high) using our own staircase. You can sponsor us by donating on the below link. All money raised will go directly to Sports Relief. Last Sports Relief, we raised just under £1000 so it would be great if we could beat that this year!

### Sport Relief Song

We are going to publish a recording of the sports relief song – which we will make available to download all we ask is that you make a small donation to Sports Relief using the below link.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/the-belham-primary-school>

## SPORT

At The Belham we feel the sport is an important part of not only a child's physical development but also their social development. We strongly believe that it is vital that children learn to play sports with the correct equipment, training, and that they are exposed to competition (in a constructive manner).

Your child should have their PE kit in all week (apart from Reception). If they do not have their kit they will be asked to wear a spare kit (that will then be washed ready for the next person). PE kits are blue shorts or tracksuit trousers and a white t-shirt (from Year 3 onwards your child will need a mouth guard for hockey).

If your child has a verruca they should have a verruca sock (or a sock with grips on the bottom); they cannot just wear tights. If your child is unwell and cannot participate in PE you must contact your child's teacher before the start of the school day.

We are fortunate to have strong links with several independent schools who share our vision for physical education and we often take part in fixtures against them.

This term we have also joined the East Dulwich Primary Sports League and have two teams playing 8 games over the term (with some extra practice sessions in between) – you can see their match reports in the Buzz each week.

Whilst this league is brilliant, it doesn't fit in with our core vision of being at the heart of our community, so we are really excited to be launching, in partnership with Harris Academy Peckham, a new primary sports league for Peckham. We have designed this league to play mixed teams from Years 3-6 with teams changing on a half termly basis.

We will select teams before club selections goes out so that you do not accidentally double book.

By making it a half termly event, we hope to get as many of our children as want out representing the school in sports ranging from football to tag rugby. In addition to this we will continue to run our inter-house sports leagues here in school during lunchtimes—house netball teams will be being picked over the next few weeks. Please keep an eye on the diary dates in the Belham Buzz for details of other sporting events—like our first ever Sports Gala!

And HUGE THANKS Jessica Watson for designing the logo for the league!



## THE BELHAM VS LYNDHURST – MATCH REPORT

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of February the Belham played a netball match against Lyndhurst. For the first time the Belham played in their own playground. The game started with some great link-up play by Maya and Francesco to create the first goal for Matthew to make it 1-0. After some more attacking through Albie, Belham found themselves 5-0 up (all the goals from Matthew). There was some fab marking by Joseph and Makayla that led to counter attacks and even more goals!

Louis scored 4 brilliant goals and Matthew scored 10 (WHAT!). Daniela did another huge bit for the team with her defending, along with Will and his monstrous throws, and Stanley with his great attacking play.

In the end a fantastic result. Francesco was voted the player-of-the-match by Lyndhurst and the end score was 14-3. Complete smash!

WELL DONE BELHAM!

**By Albie Ellis-Jones**

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## DESIGN A UNIFORM COMPETITION!

Please send all submissions to your **child's teacher directly by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020**. Please see below and attached poster for more details.

### Rules

Entrants must be in school Years 3-6 and attending a school in the London Boroughs of Southwark or Lambeth.

The design can be in any form and pupils are invited to include information to explain the features of the uniforms that they have designed

There are no restrictions on the design – the more creative the better.

Due to the high numbers of schools in the local area, each school is asked to submit two designs for the competition.

### Awards Ceremony

The top three designers will be invited along with their class, teachers, and their parents to attend a special award ceremony on 30 April 2020, between 1030 – 1200 at St Thomas' Hospital. This will be followed by a lunch reception and the chance to meet Florence Nightingale (actress) and some of our Nurses and Midwives.

### Prizes

Each of the top three designers will receive a prize. The winning design will be made into a future uniform, displayed at the award ceremony and will then be taken to the Florence Nightingale museum.

Each of the three shortlisted schools will be offered a visit from Florence Nightingale (actress) and our nurses. They can talk to the pupils about nursing and healthcare and will help to bring history to life. In addition, the top three designers along with their class, will be invited to the Florence Nightingale Museum where they can meet Florence (actress) and learn about her life and work.

**Please see attached poster**

## LETTERS FOR THE MAYOR

We would like to deliver a large number of letters from the Belham children asking for a safe entrance to their school.

If you are concerned about this issue, please take the time to help your child(ren) write to Sadiq Kahn and drop your letter into the school office.

Any questions, please email [harriet\\_bailey@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:harriet_bailey@yahoo.co.uk) or speak to Mr Turnham.

## UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

Earlier in the week, Belham governors met with governors of our sister school from the Hamlet, as well as our trustees, for our regular refresher training on keeping children safe in education, also known as 'safeguarding'.

There is lots of collaboration between the two schools that form our Multi Academy Trust (MAT) and this is an example of us working together and sharing expertise and resources.

Governors and Trustees have a clear role in holding school leaders to account and assuring ourselves that the right policies, procedures, communication and training on safeguarding are all happening as they should be in our schools. Importantly, there needs to be a culture of safeguarding so that the safety, security and well-being of children is second nature, and is fully embedded in everything we do.

Information about our governors, trustees and the safeguarding policy can all be found on the school website. If you would like more information about the work of governors please feel free to contact me through the school office.

Simon Latham  
Chair of Governors

# THE FRIENDS' FRIENDLY



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Meet the FOB Committee and Class Reps on the Belham website  
<http://www.thebelhamprimaryschool.org.uk/friends-of-belham.html>

Contact us  
[friendsofbelham@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbelham@gmail.com)

## DISCO THANK YOU!!!!

A big THANK YOU to all the fantastic people who helped make the disco happen. It was a blast! DJ Trev was a big hit and it was great to see so many people dancing. We have taken all the crisp packets to recycling, and because we bought reusable cups this year the great news is we had really minimal rubbish at the end. And what is more we raised £500 for FoB. Thanks to everyone who came – what really made it a fabulous event was the turnout.

## QUIZ NIGHT THANK YOU!!!

THANK YOU to everyone who came to the fantastic Quiz Night on Wednesday which was once again a sell out and raised over £1000 for FoB! Thank you to our resident quizmaster Rich Knowles, Abba Newbery for organising the food, Mel Raido for giving up his evening to help, and to everyone who volunteered and got involved. Also thank you to Greg Thomas for generously donating his winnings from the True/False game to the FoB!

## FUNDRAISING GOLF DAY - FRI 27<sup>th</sup> MAR

Putt your troubles aside for one day, forget about your kids' bogeys, and join the Friends of Belham Golf Day on a beautiful course just a few miles from school. Golfing talent is not required!

You'll start the day with coffee a light breakfast, play 18 holes with fun and games along the way, and then enjoy a leisurely lunch.

Tickets are on sale now at a reduced price this year of £75 per player. Please see link below for full details and tickets. Any questions please email [pauljmunro@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:pauljmunro@yahoo.co.uk)  
<https://buytickets.at/friendsofbelham/335823>

## DIARY DATES

Here are the upcoming FOB activities, hope to see you at some of them...

Quiz Night	Weds 12 February
Bag2School	Thurs 5 March
Cake Sale	Friday 13 March
Golf Day	Friday 27 March
Easter Egg Hunt	Saturday 28 March
Fun Run	Sunday 3 May
Family Camping	Fri 19 – Sun 21 June

## BAG2SCHOOL - THURS 5<sup>th</sup> MARCH

A great way to teach your children how to recycle clothes so that they can go to people that are in need of them. FoB will receive 40p per kilo of items donated.

The office will distribute the bags into each child's schoolbag the week before half term, so that you can have a clear out over half term.

Please bring your bags to school **ON** the morning of the 5<sup>th</sup> March at drop off to the main playground.

**We accept** the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE: Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing. Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around). Handbags, bags. Hats, scarves, and ties, belts. Lingerie and socks. Jewellery. Soft toys. Household linen. Curtains. Towels. Bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers).

**We do not accept:** Duvets and blankets. Pillows and cushions. Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats). Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing. School uniforms with and without logo. Corporate clothing and workwear. Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY EVENTS RUN BY EXTERNAL PROVIDERS (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PRACTICES AND CLUBS) ARE NOT ENDORSED BY THE SCHOOL AND THE SCHOOL CANNOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE**

## EASTER EGG HUNT – SAT 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH

The Easter Bunny has confirmed that he will be visiting Lettsom Gardens on 28<sup>th</sup> March for the annual Easter Egg hunt, from 10.30 – 12.30 am. Watch this space for more details!

## SURVEY

Thanks so much to everyone who took part in the survey. We had really useful and interesting feedback which we are taking into account as a new committee. Key points we wanted to highlight are:

- Massive thanks to the previous FOB committees for running so many fantastic events and raising so much money.
- A real desire to see the raised funds spent for the school. We are liaising with the school who have received all the ideas submitted by you and are pulling together a list of spending proposals.
- A greater emphasis on inclusive, inexpensive events. We are taking this into account in our event planning and pricing.

We are always open to feedback and ideas. If you would like to contribute, please do come along to a meeting or email us at [friendsofbelham@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbelham@gmail.com)

## NEXT FOB MEETING

Our next meeting is on 2 March and if you would like to come along and have your say or get involved please contact [hcleatonroberts@btinternet.com](mailto:hcleatonroberts@btinternet.com)

## OTHER FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

**Koru Kids:** Koru Kids will donate £100 to the school if you use the code SC1BELHAM when signing up an after school nanny. **Please tell us** if you use the code and sign up a nanny.

They have lots of nannies in our area and a number of parents are already using them.

**Company Match Funding:** if you think your company would be prepared match any donations you make to the school please get in touch with [hcleatonroberts@btinternet.com](mailto:hcleatonroberts@btinternet.com) - we already have some successful match funding arrangements in place.

## EASY FUNDRAISING - CASE STUDY

Bravely, on your behalf, your dauntless FOB secretary has ventured on a mission to see just how easy Easy Fundraising really is...

Step 1: I clicked on the link below, on my phone:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-belham/>

Step 2: I entered my email and set a password.

Step 3: As prompted, I downloaded the free easy fundraising app.

And that's it. Now if I want to go internet shopping, I click on the Easy Fundraising app and click on, let's say, John Lewis and lo and behold! If I buy something from John Lewis through the Easy Fundraising app, Easy Fundraising gives a whopping 2.5% straight to FOB. Amazon give 0.5%. It costs you nothing. It is **FREE MONEY FOR THE SCHOOL**. It really is EASY. Why not click the link on the link now?