

HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

Those parents who have been with us for a few years now will know that when it comes to our musical or theatrical performances, we don't do things by halves. This meant that expectations were high for the Year 6 production, 'Honk!' – and Nancy Wayman and the team behind 'Honk!' certainly didn't disappoint! The play was performed at Theatre Peckham and looked incredibly professional, from the lighting and SFX to the wonderful acting and singing. It really was fantastic to see the progression in the children's singing from when they first joined the Belham and this was lovely way to end their primary school career. Huge thanks must go to our Head of Music and director, Nancy Wayman; Alison Swann, who choreographed the dancing; and costume designer/maker/coordinator, Mary Mellor, as well as the team of teachers, teaching assistants, senior leaders, FoB, and parents who contributed to the performance. From Monday, schools will no longer be asked to track and trace contacts of pupils or staff who test positive for coronavirus. Instead, NHS Test and Trace will work with the positive case (parents or carers of children) to identify close contacts. Please see attached further guidance as to what steps you must take should your child test positive for coronavirus.

BEDROCK LEARNING

Bedrock Vocabulary have created a summer challenge which includes six non-fiction topics including Jane Goodall and the Chimpanzees and Journey to the Pole. Getting involved will give our Belhamites an opportunity to learn new, ambitious vocabulary and continue to develop their love for reading whilst enjoying their summer holiday activities. [Please see attachment.](#)

Bedrock teaches aspirational, academic 'tier 2' vocabulary - which includes words like 'analyse', 'emulate', 'integral' and 'verify - in an accessible and child-friendly way and ensures reliable, statistically significant progress. Furthermore, we know that vocabulary is essential to both strong academic performance across the curriculum and success beyond formal education.

Good luck with your summer challenge and enjoy!
Ms Gardner

Creative reflection next week will be about:

International Day of Friendship

KEY DATES

Tuesday 20th July
Sports Day 2021

Friday 23rd July
Last day of term (finish at 1:15pm)

Monday 6th September
Autumn term begins

FOREST SCHOOL & YOGA WITH KAMLYN CHAK

Our Yoga teacher, Kamlyn Chak, is going to be running forest school and yoga sessions throughout the summer.

The sessions will be a mixture of yoga, mindfulness and some forest school inspired activities (nature craft, free play etc.). Kamyln and Yuki Bevis will be leading the sessions. Yuki is also a children's yoga teacher and has worked with a local forest school for the past 3 years.

They are keeping numbers to 10 so that the sessions will hopefully be more enjoyable for all!

Please see attached flyer for more details and how to book.

SPORTS DAY 2021 – TUES 20TH JULY

Please can we remind you that children are to come dressed in their coloured t-shirt and PE kit. They should bring their water bottle but no school bag.

Pick up times are -

3pm - Reception left side of gate

3pm - Y1 right side of gate

3:10pm - Y2 left side of gate

3:10pm - Y3 right side of gate

3:15pm - Y4 left side of gate

3:15pm - Y5 right side of gate

3:20pm - Y6

If you arrive early, please stand on the other side of the road to avoid crowds.



APPLY TO BE A MAYOR OF PLAY

The Mayor is inviting young Londoners to apply to be London's first Mayors of Play. Up to five lucky children aged 8 to 11 will help curate a summer of fun alongside the Mayor, Sadiq Khan.

As part of this once in a lifetime 'summer job', the Mayors of Play will share their recommendations on London's best museums and outdoor spaces as well as their favourite galleries and activities. The Mayors of Play will also share their favourite places to eat and drink and will help reimagine London's tube map for their peers. It'll be a summer of fun curated for kids, by kids!

The deadline is 6pm on Monday 19 July.

<https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/arts-and-culture/lets-do-london/mayors-play-competition>

ACTIVE TRAVEL SURVEY

Belham Air Quality Group are eager to hear your thoughts about the possible improvements to the school road junction, as mentioned in last week's Buzz. Please let us know your ideas (ideally over the weekend or by the end of term) via this form:

<https://forms.gle/2tH1NcYUotPworPeA>

You can email us any time on this new email address -

belhamaq@gmail.com

Huge thanks!

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

Save the date

25th September	Sports day
17 October	Fun run

Sports day!

Although we can't all be at Sports Day to cheer our children on, Friends of Belham have agreed to provide some cheer, hopefully, in the form of ICE LOLLIES to be provided to each child. These lollies from Lickalix, are made in Bermondsey from whole fruit and packaged plastic free.



Supporting Year 6's end of term

Everyone who saw the Year 6 performance has been saying how FANTASTIC it was, and we want to say a **MASSIVE THANK YOU** to teachers and staff for all their hard work on the show, and for going the extra mile so that Year 6 could put on such a great show despite the current situation.

We are also enormously thankful for all the work in ensuring that the residential could be a success, and that it was able to feel a bit like a normal end-of-summer term, and that Year 6 was able to have some good closing events.

FoB are proud that our fundraising supported this amazing show, paying for the show licence and props. We also note that FOB supported the Year 6 residential by providing kit for those who may not have had their own. Therefore we want to give a huge thanks to everyone who has contributed in the past.

Summer Fair – save the date

Just a reminder that the new date for the autumn fair is 25th September, and we'd love you all to get involved and help make it a really special event. If you think you can help please email friendsofbelham@gmail.com

Copleston Garden

If you would like to help with some gardening at the Copleston Garden over the summer please get in touch at friendsofbelham@gmail.com. No big commitment required! Thank you.

Save the date – Fun Run

We're holding Sunday 17th October for an Autumn Fun Run – so put it in your diaries for a 10am start. It's never too early to start training...

Other useful links

Koru Kids – for £50 to FOB and £50 to the family, use the code SC1BELHAM in the "how did you hear about us?" section. <https://www.korukids.co.uk>

EasyFundraising – Sign up here for a percentage of your online shopping to go to FOB:

https://bit.ly/FoB_EasyFundraising

AmazonSmile – choose FOB as your charity on Amazon and we will receive a tiny percentage of your spending – it all adds up.

School uniform

Please note that the school uniform spreadsheet will be out of action during the summer so please do not attempt to list things on it or buy things from it until next term.