

HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

All across the country, schools have been taking part in activities for Anti-Bullying Week. This year's theme is 'One Kind Word' and Belhamites, young and old(er), have been encouraged to think about what kindness is, do at least three kind things at home or at school, and choose one kind word to write down. Our PSHE subject leader, Miss Hogg, is creating a display using all of the words collected. This will be a lovely reminder of how we should be treating each other and how one kind word can cause a ripple effect of kindness! There are some handy resources on the [Anti-Bullying Alliance](#) website with advice and support for parents and carers.

TERM DATES 2022-23

Term dates for 2022-23 were sent to parents yesterday and can now be accessed on the [website](#). Attached to this week's Buzz is the consultation response document, which includes the results of the school's consultation with staff and parents, responses to FAQs, and evidence supporting the move to the two-week half term. Please do contact us if you have any questions.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Tickets for our Christmas performances will be available to book via Eventbrite on [Wednesday 24th November](#). Parents will be sent a link via text on Wednesday around 12pm when they are live.

Here are the dates and times for each class:

Reception – Year 2 – '**Are we nearly there yet?**'

Thursday 2nd Dec @ 9:30am & 2pm

Friday 3rd Dec @ 9:30am

KS2 Performances – '**Bells Ring Out**'

Linen, Hessian, Tweed & Satin

Wednesday 8th Dec - 2pm

Thursday 9th Dec - 6.15pm

Cotton, Chiffon, Corduroy & Taffeta –

Wednesday 8th Dec – 6:15pm

Thursday 9th Dec - 2pm

Tickets limited to two (total) per child for their performances.

KEY DATES

Monday 22nd November

Y2 Swimming

Tuesday 23rd November

Joseph Coelho online interactive session for Y1-Y6

Wednesday 24th November

Y6 Swimming

Friday 26th November

Y4 Swimming

Monday 29th November

This is the last week of morning and after school clubs

Thursday 2nd December & Friday 3rd December

Reception – Year 2 Nativity (Ticket details below)

Wednesday 8th December & Thursday 9th December

Year 3 -6 Christmas Performances (Ticket details below)

Saturday 4th December

Belham Christmas Market

Tuesday 7th December

The Sketchbook Project (to make up for cancelled club)

Thursday 9th December

Hands on Science (to make up for cancelled club)

Friday 10th December

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 17th December

Last day of term (finish at 1.15pm)

JOSEPH COELHO – TALES ON MOON LANE

Joseph Coelho will be doing a virtual session with The Belham Primary School on [Tuesday 23rd November](#) to talk about his work and run a poetry workshop. Please see the attachment from Tales on Moon Lane who are offering Belham parents a selection of his books available for pre-order.

**Creative Reflection Time next week will be about:
Enterprise Week**

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SPRING TERM BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 2022

Spring term before & after school clubs are now OPEN for selection via SchoolsBuddy. Selections will close on Wednesday 24th November at 12pm. Please make sure you have logged into your SchoolsBuddy account to make your selections before then. Clubs will be confirmed by Thursday morning.

Please find the after school club timetable attached. We are pleased to have some new additions to our clubs, CrossFit Kids, Troupers Improvisational Drama, Art & Design Club and a Girls only Football. More info on these clubs can be found on SchoolsBuddy.

The timetable for our morning clubs is below. These clubs are **free** with limited spaces, please log in to SchoolsBuddy to select.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Football Y2/3	Distance Running Y4-6	Belham Bootcamp Y4-6	Ballet Y2/3	Football Y4-6
			Hockey Y4-6	

EARLY BIRDS AND OWLS SPRING TERM 2022

Details for when bookings will open for Early Birds and Owls for Spring Term 2022 will be in next week's Buzz.

HOME LEARNING

All pupils have access to remote learning should they be required to self-isolate due to Covid-19. If your child is absent for any other reason, including sickness, home learning will **not** be provided. Please see the Home Learning section of our Covid-19 Information Hub for more details.

PARENT DROP IN SESSIONS

Ms Cohen will be holding virtual or in-person parent drop in sessions each Thursday from 2.30-3.30pm. If you would like to book a slot, please contact Catherine in the office info@thebelhamprimaryschool.org.uk.

LAMDA AT THE BELHAM

We are delighted to announce that LAMDA classes will be available for pupils in Years 1-6 at The Belham Primary School from January. LAMDA is one of the UK's oldest and respected awarding bodies and its qualification is extremely beneficial to young children as it helps them develop confidence, overcome nerves and gain a range of life skills.

LAMDA classes at The Belham will be delivered by Armstrong Speech and Drama and will take place for 30 minutes at a set time on a weekly basis. Pupils will follow LAMDA's Speaking Verse and Prose syllabus and will get to explore a wide range of fun children's poetry throughout the year!

The cost is £10 per small group session and invoices will be sent at the start of each term. When you book, you will be committing to the whole term. If this sounds like something your child would like to do, then please email Armstrong Speech and Drama directly on - info@armstrongspeechanddrama.com

The classes will run either before or after school at these times - 8am-8.30am and 4.45pm-5.15pm.

Tuesday before school: Year 1 and 2

Tuesday after school: Year 3 and 4

Thursday before school: Year 5

Thursday after school: Year 6

NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

Each week we will attach a PDF from National Online Safety. This week's guide is '10 ways you can share kindness online'.

PE & SWIMMING AUTUMN TERM 2021

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Y1 PE Y2 SWIM Y3 YOGA	RE PE Y5 PE	Y2 DANCE Y3 PE Y4 PE Y6 SWIM	Y1 PE Y1 YOGA Y3 PE Y5 PE Y6 PE	Y4 SWIM Y6 PE

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

Sunday 21 Nov, 11-1.30	Velodrome sessions
Saturday 4 th December	Christmas tree pickup and Festive Market
13 January	Terrarium workshop

FESTIVE CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 4th Dec, 1:30 to 3:30pm, at school

There's 5 days left to order one of our fabulous **Christmas Trees** to collect at the Market:
www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofbelham/598324/

Orders close next Wednesday 24th. You must pre-order your tree: there will be none for sale on the day. Feel free to share with local friends - anyone can order if they can collect their tree on the 4th.

Whether or not you order a tree, we'd love to see you at the event which will be full of seasonal spirit and raising funds for the school!

There will be:
Stalls from local & parent-owned businesses, and some exclusive Belham fundraising gifts for sale
Festive food and homemade bakes (made by you!)
Decorations for the kids to make
A visit from Mr and Ms Claus (if we're lucky!)

We'll also be collecting non-perishable food for the Albrighton Centre Community Fridge.

To make it happen we need YOUR HELP! Please look at the volunteer form and let us know if you can

help, even if just for an hour. We do need some Santas (any gender!)

<https://forms.gle/L4Nx4nPZpnUXMxSE6>

FRIENDS DRINKS AND AGM

Thank you if you attended the Friends Drinks and FoB AGM last night. This newsletter goes to press on a Thursday, so we'll update you about new committee members via WhatsApp and in next week's edition.

UNIFORM SALE

Thank you to everyone who helped out, donated uniform or purchased uniform at last week's sale. It's such a winner, saving money, making money for FOB and reducing the environmental toll of school uniforms.

VELODROME CYCLING SESSIONS (all years and abilities, Sun 21 Nov)

Velodrome sessions this Sunday
If you have a ticket, please check the timings of your session carefully and arrive 10 minutes before the start time.

At the time of writing there were a couple of tickets left: www.buytickets.at/friendsofbelham

TERRARIUM WORKSHOP 13 JAN

Come and make your own self-watering terrarium! You will make your own Bottle Terrarium to take home, and every ticket purchased will help pay for a workshop for Belham pupils, where they will create terrariums for the classrooms.

The workshop is being run by local company Jar and Fern, who are kindly offering a great discount to their normal prices. Full details and tickets:

www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofbelham

BELHAM BEE PRODUCTS

The Belham Bees are partially funded by the FOB, and we spoke to the school last week to talk about all the exciting learning opportunities coming from those. If you are interested in making bee related products (beeswax wraps, candles, etc) that we can sell to raise funds for the ongoing cost of maintaining our lovely Belham Bees, please get in touch with

hcleatonroberts@btinternet.com

GARDENING MORNING AT SCHOOL

Thank you to those who helped spruce up the school beds and planters last Saturday. We hope to hold regular gardening sessions so watch this space for more chances to be involved.

Contact Harriet on harriet_bailey@yahoo.co.uk 07943216677 or for more info and to sign up.