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HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

We have had a lovely week where children across the school have had the opportunity to showcase their many talents! Last Friday, the Belham's Year 2 and Year 5 classes joined Lyndhurst, Charles Dickens and Dulwich Hamlet Junior School, in a Trust musical celebration. Our pupils showed off their recorder skills and children from all schools performed brilliantly.

Over the course of this week, each year group invited parents to attend their 'spring concerts' and children sang, danced, played instruments and showed the range of learning that took place in their classes this term. I do hope that you enjoyed the children's performances as much as I did.

Finally, pupils from Year 4, 5 and 6, including the school choir, had the wonderful experience of performing at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in the Southbank Centre for the London Sinfonietta [Tapestries](#) series. The musical piece was a world premiere and our pupils looked as though they were having a fantastic time! Thank you to all of the staff involved in these events whose dedication and hard work has such a positive impact on our pupils' overall school experience.

SUMMER TERM PARENT MEETINGS

Next term, our parent meetings will be held across two days. On Wednesday 6th July, they will start straight after school. On Thursday 7th July, they will begin after lunch to provide a variety of time slots. We will be asking parents to collect their children at **1.15pm on Thursday 6th July**. There will be no Owls provision on this day. Booking details will be provided nearer to the time.

CLUB SPACES – SUMMER TERM 2022

We still have spaces in the following clubs next term please contact the office if interested –

Mon – Yoga Y1; The Making Project Y4-6

Tues – Animal Antics Y1; Art & Design Y4-6; Mixed Football Y4-6

Weds – Boxing Y4-6

Thurs – Yoga Y1

Fri – Netball Y4-6

CALLING ALL COSTUME MAKERS!

Anyone interested in helping with costume making for the Year 6 play is welcome to come into school on **Friday 22nd April** to thrash out ideas from 3.30pm to 5pm.

If you are able to join us, get in touch by emailing the office: info@thebelhamprimaryschool.org.uk Mrs Mellor would like as many of you as possible! Many thanks in advance.

KEY DATES

Tuesday 19th April

Children return to school

Friday 22nd April

Y5 Swimming begins

Monday 25th April

Morning and after school clubs begin

Y3 Swimming begins

Monday 6th May

May Bank Holiday

Wednesday 18th May

Trip - Y4 to Natural History Museum (packed lunch required)

Monday 23rd May

Trip – Y6 Residential to Cobnor (all week)

Tuesday 24th May

Last day of morning and after school clubs

Monday 30th May – Friday 4th June

Half term

Monday 6th June

School closed - Day in lieu of the Queen's Jubilee Bank Holiday

Tuesday 7th June

Staff Inset Day

Wednesday 8th June

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Parent Meetings

Thursday 7th July

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SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1:15PM

NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

This week's guide is *"What parents need to know about Facebook"*. Please see attachment.

THE FRIENDS' FRIENDLY

Friends of
Belham



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Meet the FOB Committee & Class Reps

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

friendsofbelham@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

3 April	Easter Egg Hunt
22 April	Uniform & Year 3 bake sale
14 May	School Summer Fair
11 June	Belham gardening day
1-3 July	FOB Camping weekend
16 July	Belham gardening day

All tickets from: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofbelham>

EASTER EGG HUNT THIS SUN 3RD APRIL!

The Easter egg hunt will be at Lettsom Gardens (the Grove Park gate only), from 10am this Sunday 3rd April. £3.50 per child, non-school siblings and friends welcome. **Please bring:**

- your own pencils to fill out the hunt forms
- reusable cups for adults' tea and coffee.

The prizes will be Fairtrade chocolate eggs from *Gather*. If your child has a food allergy, please email friendsofbelham@gmail.com and we will source another tasty treat for them! There will also be hot beverages on sale for the adults. Tickets on sale here:

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

SECOND HAND UNIFORM & YEAR 3 BAKE SALE ON FRIDAY 22ND APRIL

We will be holding a combined uniform and bake sale on Friday 22nd April – first week back after the Easter Holidays.

Year 3 are baking and selling cakes this time! Please drop off your bakes on Friday 22nd April in the morning. Hot sellers are fairy cakes, chocolate crispies, brownies, tray bakes, muffins, cookies. Please email jane.kinninmont@gmail.com if you can help with prepping and selling cakes, from about 2.30 to 3.45pm.

UNIFORM LABELS

Friends of Belham has registered with two name label companies that offer commission to school PTAs. Both labels have been tried and tested by committee members and are recommended! If you are in need of new stick-on labels, please consider these suppliers:

1) [Stikins](#) – enter Belham school code 36250 at checkout to earn 15% commission for FOB.

2) [Mynametag.com](#) – enter Belham school code 105032 at checkout to earn 24% commission for FOB.

You can also click on direct links to the companies to order from our [FOB webpage](#), without need for codes.

BELHAM LATES

Thanks to those who came along to our first 'Belham Lates' session. It was great to welcome many members of the local community into the school. Huge thanks to Claudia ... lots of interesting science as well as 'restful' strategies to use at home!



WALKING TOUR

We had a great turnout for our Peckham walking tour, with 20 parents and local residents attending. Our guide Diane covered many fascinating facts about the area, from street art to Victorian lithographers and grand Rye Lane department stores of old, and not forgetting the Belham school building itself! The event raised £112 to help fund the refurb of the reception playground. A big thank you to everyone who attended!

SUMMER FAIR 14TH MAY We're starting to gear up for the Fair on the 14th May. These fairs are really popular with children and adults and a great way for the community to come together, as well as raising money for the school and charity. However, they can't happen without you!

Volunteering on the day is a great way to help out and meet other parents. Please sign up as soon as possible. <https://forms.gle/iEjcXWjWw6Gv1WU37>

If you are able to help organise the event by helping with preparation ahead of the day, or by taking responsibility for a stall or activity, please email FOB at friendsofbelham@gmail.com. We have a lot of exciting ideas and the more people who can help, the more we can do!

We will be asking for donations for the following items after Easter:

- Unopened bottles of alcohol (wine or sprits) or smart non-alcoholic drink - for the Bottle Tombola
- Unused or very good quality second hand toys and games for the kids tombola
- Other second hand toys and books to sell at the second hand stall
- Cakes and biscuits – incl. vegan bakes

We are also **looking for an extra gas grill/BBQ** – if you have one you can lend us on the day, please let us know!

SEEKING PLANTS FOR FAIR SALE



We will also be holding a plant sale during the summer fair on May 14th. We will be looking for donations of your plants (indoor or outdoor plants). Cuttings will also be gladly received and we will get them settled in pots ready for the sale. We will let you know drop off dates / locations for the plants in the run up to the school fair.

REQUEST FOR VEG SEEDLINGS

This year, the gardening group is going to be helping the pupils grow their own veg! We would like to ask for donations of seedlings that can be brought in and transferred to planters and raised beds. We would like to start planting in a few weeks, so if you think you can help, please get in touch a.s.a.p. with Rachel to find out more (rachelhomemail@gmail.com).

FOB CROCKERY RENTAL FOB owns some items of kitchenware that can be rented out by parents for a small fee. We have:



- c.200 plastic cups

- 48 plastic plates
- 48 glass tumblers
- 3 plastic jugs
- 6 x extra large flasks for hot drinks

Parents can rent them for £10 per event when not being used by FOB. Please contact friendsofbelham@gmail.com if you would like to use them.

EASTER CLUBS

Here is a list of Easter Clubs that we are currently aware of, please send others if you know of them and we will add/update (friendsofbelham@gmail.com):

&ART – Art classes at the Scout Hut on Bellenden Road 10.30-12.30 am on 4th/5th and 10th/11th April – £55 for the 2 day course. Email andartlondon@gmail.com to book.

Alleyn's Holiday camps –

<https://www.alleyns.org.uk/alleyns-enterprises/holiday-camps> - Indoor and outdoor activities at Alleyn's school (£40 for standard day)

Golden Toad Theatre -

Run by a Belham parent, the theatre has FREE/PWYC performances of their show MISS MOORE THOUGHT OTHERWISE, a new, interactive musical about the trailblazing librarian Anne Carroll Moore, at Canada Water Theatre (12th April) and Deptford Lounge (13 April). Performances are free but need to be booked in advance at www.thealbany.org.uk

Gymnastics –

<http://www.charismagymnastics.co.uk/holiday-camps/> - Gymnastic camp at Dulwich College P.E. Centre (note Easter booking not yet open)

Holiday Champs – <https://holidaychamps.co.uk/book-now-1> - A range of activities at Goose Green Primary School (£26/day) (note Easter booking not yet open)

Holiday Drop Off – <https://holidaydropoff.com/our-camps> - A range of sports focused activities at Dulwich College (£48/day)

Football Magic –

<https://www.footballmagiccoaching.co.uk/holiday-courses/> - Football for boys & girls (5 to 12 years old) at JAGS Sports Club Astro Pitch (£20/day)

MAGNA at St John's & St Clements Primary School–

<https://www.magnagroups.com/summer-camps-2020> -

A range of activities at ST John's & ST Clement's Primary School (£32/day or £36/extended day, plus £5.00 for breakfast)

Nimble Arts at Goodrich Primary School SE22 –

<https://www.nimblearts.co.uk/drop-off-club-se22> - A

range of activities and workshops at Goodrich Primary School (£54/day, plus £6.50 for late pick-up)

North Dulwich tennis club camps – 2 hour sessions, £85 per week

<https://www.northdulwichtennis.co.uk/camps/>

Perform -

https://www.perform.org.uk/portal/contact/courses/book-exp?xvar=vnu_id?xval=586 - Performing Arts camp

- The Secret Garden (11th-13th April, £260 for 3 days plus sibling discount)

Soccer Stars –On Peckham Rye daily during Easter

holidays, from about 9.30am to 3.00pm. Contact Coach Denzil on 07522 425931.

SMCC Juniors at Kingsdale–

<https://www.smccjuniors.co.uk/2022-holiday-camps> -

Cricket camp at Kingsdale Foundation School (£47/day)

The South London Dance Academy –

<https://thesouthlondondanceacademy.com/easter-camp-2022-1> - Dance camp at Ivydale School (£35/day

or £170/week)