

## HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

I am delighted and proud to announce that our Deputy Headteacher, Tom Turnham, has been offered the post of substantive Headteacher at Lyndhurst Primary School from this September. Of course, Tom's departure will be a huge loss for the Belham. As one of the 'second wave' founders of the Belham, Tom has been instrumental in shaping our school and we will be extremely sad to see him go. Tom will be leaving the Belham at the end of the summer term but he will continue to be part of the TCSET family of schools.

We look forward to welcoming Clio Chartres to the Belham community. Clio is joining us as Assistant Headteacher and will be starting after the Easter holidays. She is coming from a pioneering school in East London and will be a fantastic addition to our senior leadership team. Clio comes with a wealth of experience and I am looking forward to introducing her properly in a few weeks' time.

## COVID CASES AND STAFFING

An email was sent to parents this week informing them of an increasing number of confirmed cases of Covid-19 in school. Southwark's Public Health team has advised the parents of children in all year groups to test their child once with an LFD test. This may pick up asymptomatic cases and prevent the spread of Covid-19 in school. Unfortunately, our staffing has been affected again which may mean that your child's class has a supply teacher or that interventions taken by support staff cannot take place. We thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

## FORGOTTEN ITEMS

We appreciate on occasion an item needed for the school day can be left behind and so needs to be handed into the office. However, we are currently getting a large number of forgotten items every day. We would like to ask parents to be mindful of this and try to make sure all needed kit/bags/instrument/water etc. is with your child when they arrive to start their school day. Your support and understanding is greatly appreciated!

## KEY DATES

### Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March

\*There is NO swimming this week\*

\*There are NO clubs this week apart from the make up clubs listed below\*

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March

**Make up club - Art & Craft Y2-3**

Trip - Y4 to the Unicorn Theatre (packed lunch required)

### Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March

**Make up club - Sewing Y1**

### Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March

**Make up club - Art & Craft Y4-6**

### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April

Last day of spring term

### Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April

Children return to school

## COMIC RELIEF 2022

This year for Comic Relief The Belham Primary School did an exciting, hilarious show named 'The Masked Teacher'.

This event started in school assembly, where we watched the first Masked Teacher videos. We discovered lots of hidden talents among the fourteen teachers who took part. We had lots and lots and lots of fun watching our teachers be extremely funny. We also had a surprise message from none other than Jamie from Cosmic Kids! She said a massive 'well done' because we raised a stupendous £2655 last year. She told us that when we have fun, it's still important to relax so she gave us a special mindfulness exercise called FOFBOCNOF. It really helped to calm our minds. We would like to give a special shout out to Miss. Doig from Year 2, since she helped organise the whole event. The teachers turned out to be Mrs. Baxendale, Ms. Mousli, Miss Khatun, Mr. Roberts and lots more! To celebrate being funny we came into school wearing our silliest socks and shoes. We wore odd socks, and some people even wore odd shoes! You will not believe the amount of fun we had whilst raising **£2135**, generously given by 123 donators. Wow!

**By Peter Craig and Theoni Raido**

## INTERHOUSE TOURNAMENTS

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### Year 3 Final

#### **Effra vs Falconbrook 1-1**

In the final, it was a close game with Aurelian and Krishnan both scoring in the game. After sudden death with no clear winner, the game went to a penalty shootout. Ellis from Falconbrook did amazingly and won the game after an exhilarating and exciting game.

**Top scorers** - Aurelian and Krishnan both with 3.

**Winners** - DRAW

### Year 4 Final

#### **Effra vs Ravensbourne 1-2**

Bailey and Diamond scoring in the final; Benjy was top scorer with 2 in the tournament. Ravensbourne started off well with in the first half but in the last few minutes of the match Leo scored a late consolation for Effra to cause a nervy ending.

**Top scorer** - Benjy

**Winners** - Ravensbourne

### Year 5 Final

#### **Effra vs Falconbrook 3-2**

An amazing final with end-to-end play, the game was tight but the teamwork of Effra really paid off with excellent counter attacking from Effra. Louis scored two and Elliot one for Effra. The two goals coming from Max and Jacob for Falconbrook.

**Top scorer** - Louis with 4.

**Winners** - Effra

### Year 6 Final

#### **Ravensbourne vs Falconbrook 3-0**

In the battle of the elders, Ravensbourne won by 3 points. There were two goals from Joel and Yousef; they competed a perfect end to the tournament for Ravensbourne.

**Top scorer** - Yousef

**Winners** - Ravensbourne

## NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

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

Creative Reflection Time next week will be about:  
**WORLD THEATRE DAY**

# 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](mailto:friendsofbelham@gmail.com)



## SAVE THE DATE

26 March	Belham gardening day
28 March	Peckham History Walking Tour
30 <sup>th</sup> March & 1st April	Second hand uniform drop-off at school (am & pm)
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>

## DISCO THANKS!



Thank you to all that attended the school disco and blew the roof off the Liberal Club! DJ Dan got everyone dancing with some crowd-pleasing tunes whilst encouraging some high-pitched screaming under the snow machine, which all the adults appreciated.

We managed to raise a record-spinning £543 to support the school, as well as an additional £50 towards the Masked Teacher's fundraising efforts for Comic relief.

Now the next question is... after seeing those dancing skills, who's ready for the Parents' school disco??

## BELHAM WALKING TOUR 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH

FOB will host a historical walking tour of Peckham on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March, at 7pm, starting at school.



Diane Burstein, a Blue Badge guide with over 25 years of experience, will be uncovering the story of our local area. She will highlight the multicultural history, artistic connections, architecture, regeneration, and notable former residents. From Rye Lane, once known as the 'Golden Mile' and home to department stores that rivalled those of Oxford Street, through Peckham Square with its award-winning library and of course Bellenden Road, where you can learn the story behind its unique street furniture.

The tour will finish at 9pm at the Montpelier pub on Choumert Rd where we have reserved an area to rest your feet and have a catch up (unfortunately, price of drinks not included!). Tickets on sale here:

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

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM & YEAR 3 BAKE SALE ON 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL

We will be holding a combined uniform and bake sale on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – first week back after the Easter Holidays. Please **drop off donations of CLEAN and sellable uniform on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April (boxes in both morning and afternoon).**

For the bake sale – Year 3 you are up! Please drop off your bakes on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April in the morning. Hot sellers are fairy cakes, chocolate crispies, brownies, tray bakes, muffins. Please email [jane.kinninmont@gmail.com](mailto:jane.kinninmont@gmail.com) if you can help with prepping and selling cakes, from about 2.30 to 3.45pm.

## EASTER EGG HUNT SUN 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL

The Easter egg hunt will be at Lettsom Gardens (the Grove Park gate only), from 10am on Sunday 3rd April. £3.50 per child, non-school siblings and friends welcome. Please bring your own pencils to fill out the hunt forms. The prizes will be Fairtrade chocolate eggs from *Gather*. If your child has a food allergy, please email

[friendsofbelham@gmail.com](mailto: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>

## FIRST GARDENING DAY THIS

### SATURDAY!



*Jersey moth on Buddleia at*

*Coppleston garden*

We are organising three gardening days before the summer holidays to tidy up and plant within the school grounds. We would love a group of parents (no gardening experience necessary) to come along and lend a few hands:

**Saturday 26th March** - Spring clear up and Preparation and Planting of the Planters on the steps to the Terrace

**Saturday 11th June** - General Gardening and Improvements to the Reception Play Area

**Saturday 16th July** - General Gardening and upkeep

09:30 - 12:30. Meet at Reception entrance. Please bring your own gloves and trowels etc.

Looking forward to seeing many parents come along and help us tidy, plant and make the Belham School bloom this summer! Please contact Rachel Cook ([rachelhomemail@gmail.com](mailto:rachelhomemail@gmail.com)) to find out more.

## 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](mailto:rachelhomemail@gmail.com)).

## SEEKING PLANTS FOR FAIR SALE



We will be holding a plant sale during the summer fair on May 14<sup>th</sup>. 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.

## SUMMER FAIR CHARITY – PLEASE VOTE!

Last year Friends of Belham donated 30% of its net proceeds from the school summer fair to a local charity, Ignite Hubs, supporting coding clubs for kids. The FOB committee and reps are keen to do the same this year and would like your input on which charity to support. The charities below have been nominated by FOB committee members and reps, and if you have any suggestions in the future please email FOB. Please vote for one of the following three charities [here](#):

1) Dog Kennel Hill Adventure Playground : a local community resource providing essential play and green space to children from surrounding estates and community. <https://www.dkhap.org.uk/about>

2) Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers: a local charity supporting asylum seekers and refugees: <https://www.sdacas.org.uk/>

3) Lumos/Ukraine appeal: Lumos is an international charity that works with orphans and vulnerable children. They currently have an appeal to support the work of their partners in Ukraine who are working to prevent family separation and provide psychological support:

<https://www.wearelumos.org/get-involved/ukraine-appeal/>

Voting closes today Friday 25th March midnight!

## SEEKING SUMMER FAIR SPONSORS

We're still looking for more **corporate sponsors** for the summer fair. If you know of a business who might be willing to donate please email [friendsofbelham@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbelham@gmail.com) this week. All sponsors are publicised on marketing materials, and can have a stall at the fair if required.

## SUMMER FAIR 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY

We're starting to gear up for the Fair on the 14<sup>th</sup> 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/jEjcXWjWw6Gv1WU37>

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](mailto: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 in the weeks before the fair:

- 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
- Plants – see above!
- 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!

## 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](mailto:friendsofbelham@gmail.com)):

**&ART** – Art classes at the Scout Hut on Bellenden Road 10.30-12.30 am on 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> April – £55 for the 2 day course. Email [andartlondon@gmail.com](mailto: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)

**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)

**JAGS Holiday Kids Club** – <https://jagssportsclub.co.uk/jags-kids/#holiday-kids-club> – A range of activities at JAGS Sports Club including multi-sports all day (£30/day) or climbing

**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](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)

**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)