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HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

We are looking forward to welcoming our Year 2 and 3 pupils back to school next week, and again, I would like to say a really big thank you to staff and parents who have supported their children through another stint of home learning. At school, we are continuing to encourage good hygiene and I will repeat the message I sent last week: if you are a parent of a child having to self-isolate at home, please do get in touch with us if you feel that you need additional support. This can be a challenging time and we will try to support in any way that we can. We also have our '[Covid-19 Information Hub](#)' with links to helpful websites and relevant school documents.

Unfortunately, the government have not released guidance to schools, telling us whether we will be able to lift the restrictions we have had in place since September. Early Birds, Owls, and after school clubs will continue to be organised in phases; however, we will be planning for a more 'normal' return to the school routine, with our usual start/finish times, until we are told otherwise. More details will be sent out once the Department for Education issues clear guidance for schools.

EARLY BIRDS AND OWLS AUTUMN TERM 2021

Bookings for Early Birds and Owls will open via SchoolsBuddy on **Wednesday 7th July at 8pm**. Please note to cover increased costs, we have had to increase our fees slightly for next term: Early Birds will now be **£5 per session** and Owls will be **£12 per session**. As always, families in receipt of the pupil premium will receive 50% discount.

If fees for this term have not been cleared, you will be unable to secure a booking for next term.

Creative reflection next week will be about:

Plastic Free July

KEY DATES

Thurs 8th- Friday 9th July

Year 6 Production

<https://www.theatrepeckham.co.uk/show/3850-2/>

Monday 12th – Friday 17th July

Year 6 Residential Trip

Tuesday 20th July

Sports Day 2021

Thursday 22nd July

Summer Concert

ROAD SAFETY

In April, Southwark Council's Highways Department carried out a traffic volume and speed survey outside the school. Southwark's conclusions have been shared with us and we are pleased that a range of improvements to the road layout have been recommended for consideration. These include refreshing existing lining, reconfiguring parking bays, reviewing signage and cutting back foliage for junction visibility. Most significantly for the school, Highways have recommended the introduction of a school crossing patrol and will be following this up with the relevant council officers. They have also recommended a larger scale study to tackle the wide junction and busy approach, taking consideration of other proposals in place for Peckham and surrounding areas.

Highways are currently working on the outline design for the proposed permanent footway widening works on the Bellenden Road side of the school.

Again we would remind parents to model good behaviour by using the pedestrian crossings and not crossing at other points, and making eye contact with drivers before stepping onto the road.

YEAR 6 ZIP OYSTER CARDS

Southwark have asked us to inform you that Year 6s can now apply for the Zip Oyster cards for September. They will need their cards for travel in September to secondary schools. Please see follow the below link to apply - <https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel/5-10-zip-oyster-photocard>

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

Reception tea towels

THANK YOU Ruth Burstall for arranging the fabulous reception tea towels; here's a lovely picture.



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

FOB Uniform Exchange! Sale in September

If you haven't got round to listing your unwanted uniform below, please hang onto it because we will be running a **SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALE** in September. More details to follow next week. Meanwhile if you really want to list your uniform or need to buy something urgently, here are the links below!

To list uniform:

http://bit.ly/FoB_2ndHandUniform_SubmitForm

To buy uniform: Search here

http://bit.ly/FoB_2ndHandUniform_Stock

Copleston Garden

Watch this space and WhatsApp for a chance to get stuck in at the Copleston Garden this summer. We'll be getting it ready for the autumn term and making it better able to handle rain and hundreds of little feet without turning to mud!

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.