

THE BELHAM BUZZ

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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

On Wednesday, children at the Belham were talking about all things food-related as special guests from [The Royal Institution](#) delivered a spectacular show for all pupils from Reception to Year 4. During the day, children learnt about 'Explosive Food' and volunteers helped Dan carry out chemistry and physics demonstrations on food with surprising results. In the evening, we hosted a community show which focused on food, forces and electricity. Both shows were brilliant and the reaction from the audiences certainly confirmed this. A huge thank you must go to Ally Sprakes for organising the whole day and to the STEAM committee who generously funded the event.

As Christmas approaches, and more Christmas-themed accessories appear in the shops, I would like to take the opportunity to remind parents to follow our uniform policy when choosing what children are going to wear to school. While accessories such as sparkly bauble earrings and headbands with red antlers may look lovely, they are not practical for school, especially in the playground. Children should be wearing stud earrings and a plain hair tie. More guidance on school uniform can be found [here](#).

Now onto something that every parent dreads... head lice. Unfortunately they've made an appearance at the Belham. Please check your child's hair so you can treat if necessary and remember to tie long hair back – this will help prevent them from spreading.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE TICKETS

Please keep an eye on your emails on Wednesday 5 December as we will be opening up spare ticket sales for the Christmas performances.

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair is back! Please come and visit the Book Fair in the Main Hall today, Friday 30 November and Monday - Wednesday next week. It will be open at 8.30am and 3.00pm each day, and access will be via the Main Playground.

Creative reflection time next week will be about:
SPANISH CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

KEY DATES

Friday 30 November

Book Fair starts in the Main Hall (please see details below)

Monday 3 December

Book Fair, 8.30 am and 3.00pm

Tuesday 4 December

Book Fair, 8.30 am and 3.00pm

Reception trip to the Albany Theatre to see Pinocchio. No packed lunch required

Wednesday 5 December

Book Fair, 8.30 am and 3.00pm

Saturday 1 December, 11.00 – 2.00pm

FoB Christmas Fair – the first year in our new building!

Tuesday 11 December, 1.30pm

Year 4 visit to the Winter Concert at the Harris Academy Peckham. The children at Harris Academy will be showcasing a variety of musical items that they have been working on.

THE BELHAM LANE IS GOING GREEN

Thanks to the Woodland Trust and the Friends of Belham, we've already been able to take up the tarmac and plant some sapling trees and hedgerow down the Bellenden Road aspect of the school, and **there's more to come!** Detailed plans have been drawn up for an accessible School Garden incorporating a decked pathway surrounded by lush planting.

Come and see the plans and hear more about how you can support the fundraising campaign at 'The Lane Garden' Stall on Saturday at the school fair. Or if you would like to contribute please follow the link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/BelhamLaneGarden>

COSTUME MAKING SESSIONS

We need your help! In order to turn our youngest children into sheep, angels and camels for 'Lights, Camel, Action' we are asking for parents to help in the making of costumes and props. Please see the dates below. No craft ability is required, just willingness to help!

Wednesday 5 December, 9.30 – 11.00am

Friday 7 December 1.30-3.00pm

Please book to join the sessions via the Eventbrite link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/the-belham-primary-school-17919049416>

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STEAM TEAM CHALLENGE

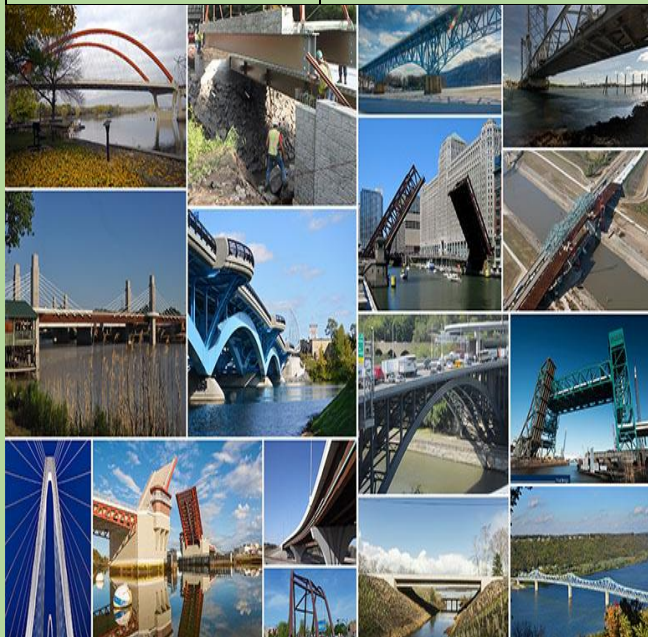
STEAM



Who can build the strongest bridge?

The current leader board:

Team	Maximum weight on bridge (kg)
The Art Girls	3.72
Girl Power	3.0
Rockets	2.83
Goldy Team	2.72
Aquilla	2.5
STEAM Girls	1.72
Link the Great	2.0
The Fearless Four	1.5



STEAM QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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This week's question:

Why do we see our breath on a cold day?

Extra challenge: Why don't we see our breath on a Summer's day?

Please write your answers on a piece of paper with your NAME and CLASS.

Question of the week will be announced on a Friday in Assembly and in the Belham Buzz. Winners will now be announced Mondays in the Brilliant Belhamite assembly and presented their certificate and prize.

Last week's question:

Why do we put grit on the roads when it is cold?

This week's winner:

Archie (Satin)

Although it's called grit, it is actually rock salt that is used on the roads. This lowers the freezing point of the moisture on the road surface so it stops ice forming and causes existing ice and snow to melt

THE FRIENDS' FRIENDLY

Friends of
Belham



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FoB NEWS

Christmas Cards

By the time you read this, those of you who ordered Belham Christmas Cards should start to find them in your children's book bags. Thank you to everyone who ordered, you've raised a fantastic £484 for the school.

Belham Christmas Fair 2018 – Saturday 1st December 11am – 2pm

Special Christmas performance by Bone Direction from 12-12:45pm, playing a mixture of carols and Christmas music. Stalls include, Great Belham Festive Raffle, Face Painting, Lucky Dip, Kids Crafts, Toys & Uniform, Festive Photo Booth, Lollipop Tree, Guess the Number and FoB bottles.

NOT forgetting Santa's Grotto!

Along with all the ABOVE amazing stalls we will have lots of yummy food and drink.

These include **Meat Chilli, Veg Chilli, Cakes, Popcorn, Mulled Wine** and **Hot chocolate**.

Hopefully that's enough to get your mouth watering. Below is a bit more info on the other stalls to TEMPT you!

Great Belham Festive Raffle

We have over 100 fabulous prizes including:

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- *Luxury hamper worth £200
- * Stellar oil mist and sleep complex worth £150
- * Perform, Free term of classes worth over £150
- * Dinner at SE Christmas Feast supper club worth £80
- * Mont blanc aftershave set worth £80
- * Balfe's Bikes Free service worth £80
- * Tickets to Burne Jones & Anni Albers exhibitions at Tate Britain

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- * Joseph and Joseph carving knife and board
- * EOS Dance, Free term of dance lessons free terms
- * ESPH, Complimentary sports massage
- * Complimentary drinks/meals at Terroirs, Honest Burger, Andersons, Franco Manca, Made of Dough, Aneto

Plus many, many more prizes...

The Christmas Belham Bake Off 2018

Theme: Winter Wonderland

This year's judges are Ms Cohen, Miss Sprakes and Belham Head Chef Paul.

All entries will be judged before the fair starts, the winner will be announced on FoB Facebook group and next week's Buzz.

Festive Photo Booth

Up load your photos to FoB Facebook page to win "Best Belham Christmas Selfie" prize!

Lucalovesbright by Harriet Bailey

Harriet will be selling her beautiful handmade children's clothing at the fair.

All lovingly made and unique.

The fair is CASH only so bring loads of it to spend!

Bring friends, family and see you there.

FoB Christmas Trees

If you have ordered a tree don't forget to pick it up at the fair

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The FoB Facebook Group is now live!

This page will provide updates and information on upcoming FoB events, together with providing a central parent/carer online forum for Belham related discussions.

To join go to the link below and request to join.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/355496675010142/>

Raising Money While Shopping on Line

Booking holidays, buying flights or internet shopping for Christmas?

Easyfundraising is a fantastic way of raising money for the FOB at no extra cost to you!

All you need to do is when you're doing any online shopping shop via <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-belham/>

There are 3,300 shops and sites you can raise free donations with.