

THE BELHAM BUZZ

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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

It isn't long now until we open our doors for the second year in a row to welcome in members of the community for the 'Artists' Open House' Belham art exhibition. I'm very excited to see what our pupils will have produced, again on display alongside local artists (and some of our own talented staff). Last year, the event was a huge success and the pride that the children felt in having a piece of art work on show was evident, so please put the dates in the diary (see below) and make sure you come along!

HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL

As a result of the terrific historical pics of Peckham featured on the Belham's Bellenden Road wall, Gwen got in touch with us; she, and most of the ladies in the photograph were pupils of the school in the late 1940s and were keen to see how it had changed. They spent nearly two hours touring the school, reminiscing over old teachers, corporal punishment(!), and their memories of the building.

As far as they were concerned, the school had changed beyond all recognition - for the good - and they said on several occasions: "the children just don't realise how lucky they are". They were particularly impressed with how learning is brought to life and made experiential as shown in vivid classrooms, the Craze and The Steam Lab. We hope to invite them back in September to work with the children on a project on the changing face of Peckham.



KEY DATES

Wednesday 8 May

Parent Coffee morning straight after drop off – 'Relationship and Sex Education' Please book a place via Eventbrite : <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/coffee-morning-relationships-and-sex-education-curriculum-tickets-61239679530>

Friday 10 May

Year 3 to Horniman Museum – packed lunch needed

Wednesday 10 July

SPORTS DAY This will take place in the afternoon at Alleyn's School. Pick up will be directly from Alleyn's

TIME CAPSULES

At the start of term children across the school were discussing in their classes what they would like to put in a time capsule for future Belhamites to discover. Some classes wrote letters, completed art work, sent pictures books and lots more. We could have filled ten capsules with the amount of stuff going on not just at our school but in the area but we had to limit ourselves to just a few bits. On Saturday after planting the trees we buried the time capsule in the new lane way garden. We will be putting up a sign so that we remember (and future Belhamites know) where it is buried.



LANEWAY UPDATE



The trees have now been planted in the laneway! The next stage is to spread the top soil and lay the watering system...followed by another weekend

to get the rest of the plants in. If you are able to donate, please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/BelhamLaneGarden> as that will allow us to get more plants and equipment to make this a really special space for the children to use.

We would like to give a big thanks to FOB and the Air Quality group for their support so far and of course to everyone that turned up on a rainy Saturday to lift and plant trees.

Creative reflection next week will be about:

Fairies

ARTISTS' OPEN HOUSE AT THE BELHAM



During the art exhibit on 11 and 12 May we will be selling grey tote bags with a white print. Funds raised will be used to promote art in our local primary school community. For instance, we plan to buy a light box and run a free training session for local teachers on how to use it, we would then loan it out to other schools. In this way, not only do we benefit from enhanced art provision and exposure to artists and tools but we can also help raise the profile of art across the community and in schools less fortunate than ourselves. We also plan to use the funds to get artists into our school to run sessions that other schools would also be invited to attend benefiting us and the wider community.

Bags are available to pre-order on Parentpay – you can buy as many as you like. They will also be available at the art show on the weekend.



Whose paper aeroplane can travel the furthest?

The final leaderboard

Team	Distance Travelled/ m
Puppy, hedgehog, unicorn pandas	9.60
Mathogarmi Warriors	9.00
Super Ninja Dynamite	8.30
Golden Girls	7.65
Dragon Breath	7.25
Amazing Ice Cream	6.94
Jet Two	6.63
The Flying Champions	6.43
Coconut	6.30
Do the floss like the Boss	5.20
Shooting Stars	4.90
Best Paper Planes	4.80
OENIL	4.70
Golden Jets	3.27
Unicorn Airforce	1.80
The Four Kittens	1.64



June 10 – 14
2019



Calling all...

Scientists

Technicians

Engineers

Artists

Mathematicians

Please email me if you would like to volunteer for our upcoming STEAM Week

Careers talks. Workshops. Volunteer support during STEAM activities. Behind the scenes prep. Ideas generation.



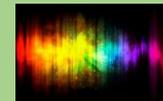
STEAM TEAM CHALLENGE

STEAM QUESTION OF THE WEEK



What do you think happened to this car?

Please write your answers on a piece of paper with your
NAME and CLASS by THURSDAY 9th May



Who can catapult the teabag the furthest?

I have signed up 28 teams of 4
children for the new STEAM Team
Challenge starting on Monday 13
May, running through to the end of
the academic year. A whopping 112
children!

Where does colour come from?

Colour is the aspect of things that is caused by differing qualities of light being reflected or emitted by them.

To see colour, you have to have light. When light shines on an object some colours bounce off the object and others are absorbed by it. Our eyes only see the colours that are bounced off or reflected.

The sun's rays contain all the colours of the rainbow mixed together. This mixture is known as white light. When white light strikes a white crayon or marker barrel, it appears white to us because it absorbs no colour and reflects all colour equally. A black crayon or marker cap absorbs all colours equally and reflects none, so it looks black to us. While artists consider black a colour, scientists do not because black is the absence of all colour.



All light rays contain colour. Light is made of electromagnetic waves. These waves spread out from any light source, such as the sun. Light waves travel at tremendous speed (186,000 miles or 300,000 kilometres per second). Different colours have different wavelengths, which is the distance between corresponding parts of two of the waves. The longest wavelength of light that humans can see is red. The shortest is violet. Ultraviolet has an even shorter wavelength, but humans cannot see it. Some birds and bees can see ultraviolet light. Infrared has a longer wavelength than red light, and humans cannot see this light but can feel the heat infrared generates.

This week's winners: Ines- Calico

Luca- Satin

Scarlett - Silk

THE FRIENDS' FRIENDLY

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FoB NEWS

FUN Run - Sunday 9th June, 10am

We are very excited to announce that our very first Belham Sponsored Fun Run will take place on the morning of Sunday 9th June in Peckham Rye Park, followed by a picnic in the arboretum.

The aim of the run is to raise money to continue the amazing work on the Belham Lane Garden.

The day will kick off with an adult 5K (3 times around the route) run around the park, followed by the 1 mile (once around the route) children's race which will kick off with a very energetic warm up.

There are links below to register for the event and to also sponsor someone running in the race. If you do not wish to use the justgiving link, we will be leaving printed sponsor forms at the school reception in the next few weeks.

Good luck with the training and don't forget to ask friends, family and neighbours to sponsor you!

To register for the run please follow the link below:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/belham-primary-school-fun-run-tickets-60220065838>

Online sponsorship link to follow soon.

FoB Camping Weekend - Friday 21st June until Sunday 23rd June

We now have just 96 tickets left for Friday night – all places for Saturday day and Saturday night have sold out. Anyone who attended last time can tell you it was an amazing weekend.

FoB NEWS

Dates:

Fri 21st June 2019 5:00 pm - Sun 23rd June 2019 noon

Location:

South London Scout Centre, Grange Lane, SE21 7LH

We will be closing Ticket Tailor sales on 8th May (next Wednesday), any Friday night tickets remaining after then will need to be purchased via email.

To book tickets go to:

<http://buytickets.at/friendsofbelham/247128>

Summer Fair – Saturday 6th July

Organization for the summer fair is well underway. There will be lots of great stalls including some that we will need donations for.

Kids Lucky Dip

The prizes will be jars of all different sizes each one filled with all the things kids love! It would be amazing if possible for each child at the school to fill 2 or more glass jars (of any size & without their labels) with small toys (stuff that you get in party bags), Sweets, Collecting cards ect

Please make sure any sweets/snacks are nut free

Guess the amount of Lego

Do you have any spare Lego you can donate? We are hoping to fill a huge jar for people to guess the amount and the winner gets to keep the jar & Lego.

FoB have a MASSIVE box (clearly FoB) that is now located just inside the door to the school reception/office.

Please put all your filled jars and Lego in there. Many thanks in advance!

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Good condition Toys and Second Hand Uniform

We will have drop off dates, but for the moment if you could please keep at home until we are ready.

Good Condition Books

Our first book stall will be at the fair this year. We are looking for book donations for all ages and can be fiction and non-fiction.

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Raffle

Do you have any gifts that you have never used, bottles of drink you have never drunk, vouchers?

We are looking for donations of anything that would make a fabulous raffle prizes.

We will have drop off dates, but for the moment if you could please keep at home until we are ready.

Fair Volunteer Requests!

We are looking for volunteers for 1 hour shifts for set up, clear away and all the stalls.

Shift times are:

Set Up: 10 -12am

Shift 1: 12am--1pm

Shift 2: 1pm-2pm,

Shift 3: 2pm-3pm

Clear up: 3pm-4pm

Please send an email to Michelle on michellehardy1975@gmail.com if you can help in any way.

The FoB Facebook Group

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

Please do join and use to grow our group community!

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

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

Easyfundraising

A BIG thank you to our supporters who shopped online with #easyfundraising in March/April.

You have now raised **over £200** for Friends of Belham School - London! EVERY PENNY COUNTS, no matter how small you think your donation might be, IT ALL ADDS UP.

The more people who use easyfundraising, the more money we can raise – and it's completely FREE!

This 60 second video shows you how easyfundraising works:

<http://efraising.org/cv1Wj5Bman>

If you haven't signed up yet, join USING OUR LINK and when you raise your first £5, #easyfundraising WILL MATCH IT!

Sign-up using our unique link

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-belham/