

## HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

It was a delight today to see so many families come together at The Belham to celebrate the King's Coronation. And what better way than over a cup of tea and a piece of cake! Thank you to Ms Chartres, Miss Doig, Ms Wayman, Ms Hutchison and FoB for arranging and all of you for the delicious donations. What makes The Belham so special is the community that we are creating. One that is ever changing, welcoming new families as we say goodbye to others moving away; although once a Belhamite always a Belhamite! Over the last few weeks we have had several new families join the school – I know you will make them feel very welcome. We wish you all a happy bank holiday weekend.



## THE BELHAM ART SHOW – 24<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY

This year The Belham Art Show will be taking on a different form. We will be filling the corridors of the school with the artwork our Brilliant Belhamites have produced over the last year. We warmly invite you to view the artwork between 3.45pm and 4.45pm across the two days. Classrooms will display children's sketchbooks and some 3D work. We're looking forward to seeing you then.



## KEY DATES

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May

King's Coronation Community Tea Party

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May

BANK HOLIDAY

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Summer Concert – Peripatetic Music (invitation)

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> & Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Art Show

### HALF TERM

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Children return to school

### Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Y6 Residential.

### Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Y5 Residential

### Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June

### INSET DAY

### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Yr 6 Production of 'The Wizard of Oz'

### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Sports Day – **NO OWLS**

## TALKING ABOUT SEX & SEXUALITY

Following on from two very popular events, Emma Gleadhill (speaker, trainer and life coach) returns to lead an online session to support parents and carers with talking to their primary age children and early teens, about sex and sexuality. Join us online on

**Thursday 11th May, 7.00 - 8.15pm**

We will consider:

1. What it is we want for our children.
2. How can we show up around these sensitive and difficult topics in a helpful and empowering way?
3. What is at stake whether we choose to be proactive or reactive in our dialogue about sex and sexuality with our children and teens.
4. A timeline – what should we be considering talking about and when
5. How to go about having these conversation

Register in advance for this webinar:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_J9M\\_Z\\_rKTuC-ncr0Amj20g](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_J9M_Z_rKTuC-ncr0Amj20g) For more information

about the webinar and/or Emma, please visit

[www.emmagleadhill.com](http://www.emmagleadhill.com)

## SPORTS DAY

Exciting plans are afoot for Sports Day on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you to Ms Lopez, Ms Wayman and FoB who are working hard on these. Sports Day will take place as usual at Alleyn's Sports Field on Townley Road. Further details will be published in an upcoming Buzz. **Due to these plans and logistics it will not be possible for us to run Owls on this day.** A full refund will be issued in the coming weeks.



## FOOD APPEAL AND SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Thank you for the very kind donations collected last Friday. With the cost of living increases and rising energy bills we have seen a greater need from our own Belham families for support of this kind. Many of our families benefitted from the food we gathered together as a community. Thank you to Friends of Belham who arranged for what was left over to be taken to the Allbrighton Centre. There will be another collection before half term and with your support we are hoping to make this a monthly event.

## WE NEED YOU!

The Year 6 production, The Wizard of Oz, is nearly upon us and we need volunteers to help. In addition to costumes, for the first time in the history of the Belham School we will also be making a variety of different types of puppets. Sewing skills are not essential, but if you think you can help with cutting, sticking, gluing, sewing or even with problem solving, we want to hear from you.

There will be weekly workshops on Fridays on the lead up to opening night which will be available to parents and Year 6 pupils to join in and help. Please email the school office if you would like to join us.

For those that can't make our Friday sessions and still want to lend a hand, items can be taken home to work on.

## SUNDAY SPORTS SCHOOL

Our sister school in the Trust, Streatham Wells have recently received funding for a Sunday Sports School. It is free to join and covers lots of different sports. Please see below for details.

Enthuse Kids  
**SUNDAY SPORTS SCHOOL**  
DISCOVER YOUR POTENTIAL SKILLS  
OPEN FOR REGISTRATION NOW!  
AGES 5-11  
APRIL 28th - MAY 21st  
9AM - 12PM  
STREATHAM WELLS PRIMARY SCHOOL  
50 PALACE ROAD LONDON, SW2 3NJ  
FOOTBALL GYMNASTICS NETBALL BASKETBALL INCLUSIVE GAMES FLAG FOOTBALL DANCE TARGET GAMES  
**FREE**  
Limited Spaces Available  
Tel: 07742 452444 | Web: enthusekids.co.uk/swsportsschool

**SUNDAY SPORTS SCHOOL**  
**Streatham Wells Primary School**  
30th April | 7th, 14th & 21st May 2023  
We have secured funding to help facilitate offering our school & community sporting opportunities outside of regular school hours.  
We are running a 4 week programme, FREE of charge, where your child can engage in a number of sports and games across the morning.  
**OUR SPORTING OFFERS**  

9am - 9:50am	10am - 10:50am	11am - 11:50am
Year 1 & 2 - Gymnastics	Year 1 & 2 - Football	Year 1 & 2 - Target Games
Year 3 & 4 - Netball	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 - Basketball	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 - Inc Games
Year 5 & 6 - Flag Football	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 - Dance	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 - Football

**CONTACT US**  
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info@enthusekids.co.uk  
Enthuse Kids  
Book your place now at:  
enthusekids.co.uk/swsportsschool

# THE FRIENDS' FRIENDLY



5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Meet the Friends of Belham (FoB) Committee & Class Reps

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

Contact us

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

## SAVE THE DATE

17 <sup>th</sup> June	School Summer Fair
14 <sup>th</sup> /15 <sup>th</sup> July	Camping Weekend

## CAMPING WEEKEND

14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> July

Hi-di-hi Campers! The Belham Camping weekend is back for 2023. This summer Belhamites and their families can once again enjoy pitching up a tent at the South London Scout Centre. As a secluded camping field in Dulwich and Sydenham, it's less than 3 miles from school and the perfect spot for your children to run wild and get back to nature. You can pitch a tent for 1 or 2 nights, or even just come for the day on the Saturday. There'll be hot dogs, a stocked bar (courtesy of Brick Brewery), face painting, story time and more.

Families will need to bring their own tents, camping gear and some food. FoB will circulate a kit list and set of camping tips nearer the time. And don't worry if you need civilisation nearby. You can order takeaway deliveries to the campsite, or even walk to Dulwich Village for sustenance.

Tickets sell quickly, so get your orders in fast. More information about the event, and ticket choice options can be found here:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofbelham/913158>

Prices:

- Friday night only, from 5pm - 12 noon on Saturday: £7.50 pp
- Saturday Day ticket, from 12 noon: £2.50 pp
- Saturday night only, from 12 noon: £7.50 pp
- Both Fri & Sat nights camping (from 5pm Fri - 12 noon on Sunday): £15 pp

*NOTE: These ticket prices just cover the campsite and ticketing costs. Please feel free to make a voluntary donation on the check-out form to help raise funds for the school.*

## SUMMER FAIR 17<sup>th</sup> JUNE

A reminder that this year's summer fair will take place on Saturday 17th June. Keep an eye out for messages from your year reps to find out what 'zone' your year group are responsible for and how you can help out in the run up to and on the day. If you can, please do volunteer an hour or so of your time to help make this year's fair an event to remember!

### \*Summer Fair Sponsorship\*

A call out for sponsorship! If you work for or know of a business that may be interested in sponsoring the school fair, please email us at [friendsofbelham@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbelham@gmail.com) to discuss further. Opportunities for businesses include branding on fair promotion material and the chance to promote their business to the school audience.

## Y5 PARENTS:

### SECONDARY SCHOOL EDUCATION TALK Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May, 6.15-7.15pm

Education consultant Joe Pardoe from School Compass has offered to run a free session for Year 5 parents who are thinking about what they want from their child's secondary education. The talk will be at 6.15pm -7.15pm at school. Please register here: <https://forms.gle/BW5EWbtMcPBsVqNR9>

#### What will this talk cover?

"As parents, we all want the best education for our children. However, we rarely have the opportunity to reflect on what we mean by 'best education'. We don't have the time to engage with the research about how schools approach teaching, learning and curriculum. This often means we feel out of control and unsure about our decisions. As a (new!) dad and an experienced secondary school teacher and leader I see it from both sides. In this session we will have a chance to discuss what we want from education and explore how we can get the information we need. Empowering you to take more control and feel more confident about the important choices you make about your child's education. Hope to see you there!"

~ Joe.

## SIGN UP FOR EASYFUNDRAISING!

If you haven't already signed up for EasyFundraising, then please do. It only takes 2 minutes, and it will make a big difference to our fundraising efforts. The simple idea is that you raise money for the school while you shop online. It couldn't be easier, and it works in over 7000 retailers. You don't have to have to shop differently. Just do what you always do when it comes to shopping – just sign up here first:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-belham/>

