THE BELHAM BUZZ



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HEAD TEACHER'S NOTE

The weather was kind to us for our first Belham Sports' Day on Tuesday, which was a really wonderful event. It was great to see the children participating with such vigour, and lovely to see so many of you there.

We have been very busy recruiting new members of staff to support the children's learning. In next week's Buzz we will be giving more details about each of them, as well as saying goodbye to any staff members that are moving to pastures new.

One exciting staff announcement for this week is the appointment of Gennie Joy from Southwark Music Services. Gennie will teach music to every class, once a week, following the Southwark music scheme syllabus. Children will be learning about pitch, rhythm, musical notation, listening to music, and of course making their own music on percussive instruments.



Gennie is a freelance clarinettist, music teacher and workshop leader. She has performed at venues such as Ronnie Scott's, the Wigmore Hall, St John's Smith Square and Camp Bestival to name but a few. She is also the bass clarinettist in Engines Orchestra, and has worked for a range of education projects including work with LSO On Track and the London Philharmonic FunHarmonics. We are delighted that she is joining the Belham team!

KEY DATES

Wednesday 13 July

Children meet their new teachers (pm)

Friday 15 July

Year 1 to watch Johnny and the Bomb at Alleyn's *packed lunch needed* (See below)

Wednesday 20 July

End of year picnic 11.30am, Warwick Gardens

FRIENDS OF BELHAM QUIZ NIGHT

The quiz night is now less than a week away on Wednesday 13 July at Peckham Liberal Club. Over 100 people have registered already so it should be a great evening. There's still time to register – please email Julie Fahy at julie richelle@hotmail.com.

YEAR 6 PLAY AT ALLEYNS

On Friday 15 July, Poplin class will be going to the Michael Croft Theatre at Alleyn's to watch the Dulwich Hamlet Year 6 play — a wonderful adaptation of Terry Pratchett's book about time travel! As we need to leave by 12.15 the children will need a packed lunch; they should be back by 3.45pm. If parents would like to collect their child directly from Alleyn's at 3.00pm please notify the office. We would also be very grateful for parent volunteers to accompany us - again please email the office.

END OF YEAR PICNIC

On the last day of term, Wednesday 20th July, the whole school will be going to Warwick Gardens at 11.30am for an end of year picnic. All children will need to bring in a packed lunch. Parents, carers and younger siblings are invited to come and join us (parents should bring food for themselves and family plus a picnic blanket!). Parents may take their child home directly from the park after 1pm. All other children will be walked back to school for collection at 1.15pm. PE kits etc will be sent home the previous day. Should the weather be less than picnic friendly and we need to cancel, we will let parents know in advance.