



# Belleville News

14 July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was good to see so many of you at Parents' Evening over the past couple of nights because we know how important it is to maintain excellent communication between school and home about your children's progress at school. I hope you found it useful.

Thank you also for all your support at the various Sports Days, concerts, performances and assemblies over these last weeks of term. I know that attending during the school day can present challenges, so thank you for attending - we really appreciate it.

**John Budden**  
Executive Headteacher

## Parent/Carer Surveys

You should have all received the **parent/carers survey from the Quality First Education Trust**. Please could you take a few minutes to complete this survey by **Friday 21 July** as **your feedback is very important to us**.

For parents/carers of children currently in Years 2-5, please also complete the survey about **universal free school meals** from September by **Monday 17 July**.

## Last Day of Term – Friday 21 July

Children can **wear their own clothes to school** on the last day of term, next Friday 21 July. Please also remember that **school finishes at an earlier time that day** - Year 1 & 2 – 2.15pm, Reception and Years 3 to 6 - 2.20pm, Nursery – 2.30pm.

## Dates for your diary:

**Year 2 – Ocarina Concert** – Monday 17 July, 2.30pm, Webb's Top Playground.

**Year 1 – Pirate Show** – Tuesday 18 July, 2.30pm, Webb's Top Playground.

**Year 6 – Drumming Performances – 6H and 6S** - Wednesday 19 July, 2.50pm, Webb's Lower Playground and **6F and 6W** - Thursday 20 July, 2.50pm, Webb's Lower Playground.

**Last day of Summer Term** - Friday 21 July. School finishes at the earlier times of: Year 1 and Year 2 – 2.15pm. Year 3 to Year 6 – 2.20pm, Reception – 2.20pm, Afternoon Nursery – 2.30pm.

Our number one priority is to ensure all children and adults are safe.

Please do talk to any member of staff if you have any worries for yourself or others in our community.



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## Please return reading books!

Please can you check at home and return any guided reading and class library books to us next week – no questions asked! Every year, we have to replace books so that other children can enjoy reading them.

## Thank you!

Many thanks to everyone who organised and supported the Belleville PTA Summer Fair. It raised around £17,000 for the school, an amazing achievement.

## Strong Bags

Children will bring their schoolbooks home from next Wednesday. Please provide them with some strong carrier bags!

## Sports Days

Our Year 3 and Year 4 children had a fun time at their sports day this week with space hoppers, running races and the welly throw event. That's a wrap on our sports days for this year – we'd like to thank our specialist sports teachers, Miss Ogunyemi and Miss George and the rest of our staff team for their hard work in making all these events happen.



## Maths Week at Belleville

This week has been maths week for every child at Belleville. All year groups have planned special lessons, investigations and activities to cultivate the children's love of maths and problem-solving skills.

The activities have ranged from magic potion making and fractions with pancakes in Year 1, an invention using hundreds of pencils and a year group shop in Year 2 and mocktail making in Year 4. We are excited for next year already!







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## Year 4 visit Hampton Court Palace

Over the last couple of weeks, Year 4 have visited Hampton Court Palace to support their learning about the Tudors. All the classes had fantastic experiences, such as looking at the living quarters of Henry VIII, observing the portraits along the corridors and even seeing a real fire used for roasting meat at banquets. They were able to participate in a workshop where they had to investigate clues to find out more about Henry VIII's life and decide how they would answer different questions, such as 'Was Henry VIII happy at Hampton Court Palace?'

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who came with us on the day – your support is very much appreciated. It was a wonderful trip to end the year with and to bring all the learning to life!



## Year 5 Ukulele Concerts

We are still 'walking on sunshine' from our Year 5 ukulele and singing concerts this week. Very well done to all the children and to our specialist music teacher, Mrs Hughes.





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## Eco-Council visit Wandsworth Recycling Centre

On Monday, the eco-council took a trip to the Wandsworth recycling centre to see the process of how our household rubbish is recycled correctly. The children were able to see how the rubbish arrives at the centre and how it is sorted to ensure the different materials are appropriately recycled. The children visited the education centre where they asked thoughtful questions, expanding their knowledge, and were praised for their hard work in ensuring recycling happens at Belleville. Did you know that an average class can save up to twenty trees a year if they recycle their paper and resources!

*'I found out that you could turn plastic bottles into all kind of items such as tables and t-shirts.'* – Barnaby, Year 3.

*'Did you know they load about 90 shipping containers of general waste a day on a big barge which are shipped to Bexley to be burned up to create electricity.'* – Mahault, Year 5.



### Summer Term 2023

Last day of Summer 2: Friday 21 July

### Autumn Term 2023

INSET days: Mon 4 & Tues 5 Sept - school closed to children.

First day of Autumn 1: Wednesday 6 September

Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 20 October

Autumn half term: Monday 23 – Friday 27 October

INSET day: Monday 30 October - school closed to children.

First day of Autumn 2: Tuesday 31 October

Last day of Autumn 2: Thursday 21 December

### Spring Term 2024

INSET day: Mon 8 Jan – school closed to children.

First day of Spring 1: Tuesday 9 January

Last day of Spring 1: Friday 9 February

Spring half term: Monday 12 – Friday 16 February

First day of Spring 2: Monday 19 February

Last day of Spring 2: Thursday 28 March

### Summer Term 2024

INSET day: Mon 15 April – school closed to children.

First day of Summer 1: Tuesday 16 April

Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May – school closed.

Last day of Summer 1: Friday 24 May

Summer half term: Monday 27 – Friday 31 May

First day of Summer 2: Monday 3 June

Last day of Summer 2: Wednesday 24 July