



Belleville News

15 November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

There have been Book Fairs across both sites this week, which have given the children a lovely opportunity to purchase new books and of course, some of the proceeds come to the school to help us to buy new books - so it is a virtuous circle indeed!

Next Wednesday 20th November, we have the PTA Christmas shopping event. Both of these events are staffed (and/or organised) by parents and are just another two examples of how much time and energy parents are willing to give up to help the school.

We want to say a huge thank you to all the parents that have and will help in these type of events. It really helps to make Belleville a fantastic community to be part of.

John Budden
Executive Headteacher

Mary-Lyne Latour
Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Belleville PTA Class Calendars – the deadline for orders via the [PTA website](#) is Monday 18 November.

Belleville PTA Festive Shopping Evening, Wednesday 20 November, 7.30-9.30pm, Webb's Road. Tickets are £7 including a complimentary Tote bag and welcome drink. [Tickets available here.](#)

School Choir Northcote Road lights switch-on - Friday 22 November, 4pm – 5pm.

Belleville PTA Christmas wreath making – Tuesday 26 November – Meteor Street and Wednesday 27 November – Webb's Road, 7pm-8.30pm. Tickets and further information available on the [PTA website](#).

Belleville PTA Christmas tree sale - Saturday 30 November. 8.30am – 11am. Webb's Road. You can pre-order a Christmas tree online via the [PTA website](#) or turn up and buy one on the day.

Belleville PTA Christmas Fair - Saturday 7 December, 12 noon – 3pm, Webb's Road.

School Orchestra Performance - Thursday 12 December, 4pm, Middle Hall, Webb's Road.

School Choir Carol Performance - Thursday 12 December, 5.30pm, Battersea Power Station Art'otel.

Last day of Autumn 2 Term - Friday 20 December. **Please note earlier finish times.** Years 1–6 2.20pm, Reception 2.25pm, Nursery Red 2.30pm. Please also note that the **Belleville Beehive Wraparound closes at 5.30pm on the last day of term.**

For all year group festive performances, please see full list of dates on the next page.



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Festive Performances



Nursery - Blue Class - Tuesday 3 December, 11.15am, **Red Class** - Wednesday 4 December, 2.45pm

Reception – RH - Monday 9 December, 10am, **RF** – Monday 9 December, 2pm, **RC** – Tuesday 10 December, 10am, **RMC** – Tuesday 10 December, 2pm – all in the school hall at Webb's Road.
REC – Wednesday 11 December, 10am, Meteor Hall.

Year 1 - 'Dinky the Donkey' performance, Friday 13 December, 2.15pm, [St Michael's Church](#).

Year 2 - 'Behind Every Door' performance, Friday 13 December, 10.45am, [St Michael's Church](#).

Year 3 - Winter Performance, Monday 16 December, 2.15pm, [St Michael's Church](#).

Year 4 - Winter Performances - Thursday 12 December, **4T** - 10am, Meteor Hall; **4C & 4H** - 1.30pm, Middle Hall, Webb's Road; **4M & 4SP** - 2.30pm, Middle Hall, Webb's Road.

Year 5 - Winter Performances, Tuesday 17 December, **5G & 5K** - 10.15am, Lower Hall, Webb's; **5OG & 5S** - 2.15pm, Meteor Hall.

Year 6 - Winter Performances, Wednesday 18 December, **6DB & 6H** - 10.15am, Lower Hall, Webb's; **6B & 6T** - 2.15pm, Meteor Hall.

Eco-Council Update

On Monday, the eco-councillors went on a trip to the Wandsworth recycling centre to learn more about what happens to our rubbish and recycling when we dispose of it at school. The eco-councillors were intrigued by the amount of rubbish arriving at the centre during our visit. We were taught how the recycling is separated into the different materials and how they organise it to be recycled again.

Our tour guide Debra reminded the children on some key take home messages including not to put tissues in the recycling as these cannot be recycled due to contamination and to dispose of batteries correctly as these can cause small fires when they are compressed in bins or lorries. All the children were motivated to come back to school to ensure our school is recycling as much as possible and to spread the message of the 3Rs (reduce, reuse, and recycle).



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Year 3 Roman Day

Last Friday, Year 3 was invaded by the Roman Army! The children and teachers had a fantastic day to launch our new history topic 'Why did the Romans invade Britain?' They took part in five different activities, each one run by a different Year 3 teacher.

The activities included a Roman feast, wax tablet making, learning Roman numerals, mosaic making and learning to march like the Roman army. The children's enthusiasm for everything was outstanding and it brought a lot of excitement for the topic ahead.

A huge thank you to the PTA, parents and carers who also helped to make the day such a success by providing costumes for your children.



Odd Socks Day

This week is [Anti-Bullying Week](#) and the theme this year is Choose Respect. On Tuesday, we encouraged all children to come to school wearing odd socks as part of the initiative to celebrate everyone's differences and as a talking point for discussions around these themes.



Wellbeing Webinars

The South West London Education Wellbeing Service are holding some free online webinars about **Building Resilience in Primary School Children** on Monday 25 November, 7.30-8.30pm and Friday 29 November, 12.30-1.30pm. To find out more or book your free place, [please visit their website](#).



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Nursery Update

Last week Nursery welcomed in the new term with a pretend campfire to celebrate Bonfire Night. We talked about the Guy Fawkes story and how it is celebrated with fireworks and bonfires. The children learned about the safety of watching fireworks and to make sure they wear gloves when holding sparklers.

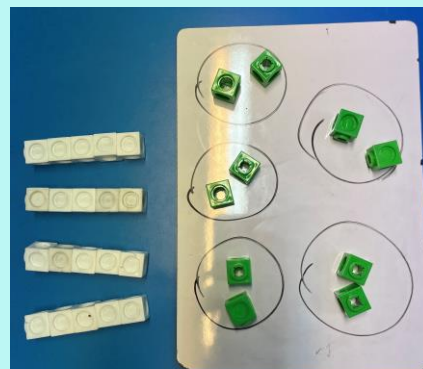
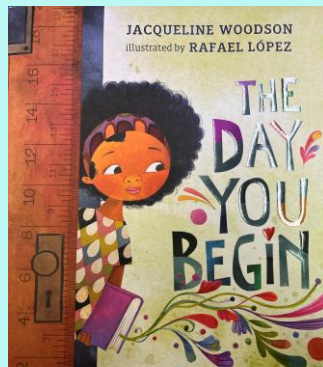
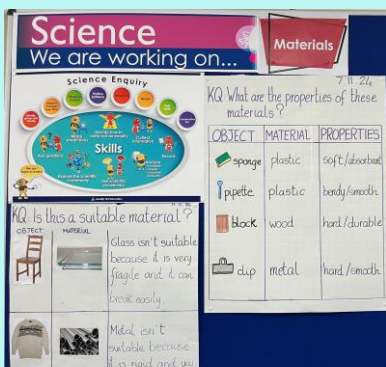


Despite the pretend bonfire, they were very pleased to have real marshmallows to 'toast' and real warm chocolate milk to drink!

Year 2 Update

Year 2 have had a fantastic start to the second half of the Autumn term. In English, we have been exploring the book 'The Day You Begin' by Jacqueline Woodson. This book explores themes of belonging, growing more confident and making others feel welcome. The children have written some very emotive diary entries as a child on their first day of school and written a letter of advice to another class about how to make others feel welcome.

In Maths, the children have loved learning their 2s, 5s and 10 times tables and showing their understanding in different ways. We have started a new science unit this half term all about materials. The children have explored which materials would be suitable for different items. Year 2 were sure that a chocolate teapot and a glass hammer were a terrible idea!



School Streets

We still really need more volunteers to help with School Streets, especially for the Meteor Street trial.

Meteor Street, please [sign up here](#).

Webb's Road, please [sign up here](#).

Thank you for your support.

House Points - Week 2 of Autumn 2
Well done Meteor House!

823 Points Earthbridge	924 Points Meteor	895 Points Northcote	893 Points Wakoburst	830 Points Webb's
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BELLEVILLE SCHOOL PTA

Join us for next week's Festive Shopping Evening!

Festive Shopping Evening, Wednesday 20 November, 7.30-9.30pm, Webb's Road. Tickets are £7 including a complimentary Tote bag and mulled wine or non-alcoholic welcome drink on arrival. Book now for a fun shopping evening with friends and support many of our small local businesses! [Tickets available here.](#)



Christmas wreath making – Tuesday 26 November, 7pm-8.30pm, Meteor Street and Wednesday 27 November, 7pm-8.30pm, Webb's Road.

Learn how to moss, pine, and uniquely decorate your own wreath with foliage, dried fruits, baubles, ribbon and lots of other festive decorations the expert guidance of florist Sandra Janssens. Tickets cost £60 which includes all the wreath-making materials, mulled wine and a mince pie. [Tickets available here.](#)

Christmas tree sale - Saturday 30 November, 8.30am – 11am. Webb's Road.

Pre-order your beautiful Christmas Tree via the [PTA website](#) or turn up and choose one on the day. Pre-orders will close on Thursday 28 November.

Christmas Fair - Saturday 7 December, 12 noon – 3pm, Webb's Road.

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

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



Term Dates 2024 – 2025 Academic Year

Autumn Term 2024

Last day of Autumn 2: Friday 20 December

Spring Term 2025

Inset Day: Monday 6 January – school closed to children

First day of Spring 1: Tuesday 7 January

Last day of Spring 1: Friday 14 February

Spring half term: Monday 17 to Friday 21 February

First day of Spring 2: Monday 24 February

Last day of Spring 2: Friday 4 April

Summer Term 2025

Inset Day: Tuesday 22 April – school closed to children

First day of Summer 1: Wednesday 23 April

Bank holiday: Monday 5 May – school closed

Last day of Summer 1: Friday 23 May

Summer half term: Monday 26 to Friday 30 May

First day of Summer 2: Monday 2 June

Last day of Summer 2: Tuesday 22 July