



Belleville News

16 January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today was our first day of recruitment of class teachers for next academic year. We purposely recruit early in the cycle, before any of our teachers have said they are leaving (we work off historical data to predict!). We feel that the candidates who are organised enough, keen enough and focused enough to be applying this early in the cycle, will also bring those good qualities to how they approach their career in teaching.

Our main aim is always to choose the cream of the crop of teachers, because we know that if this calibre of people are given the level of training and curriculum plans that Belleville and Q1E provides, this gives us the best chance of an excellent class teacher delivering a high quality education for your children.

John Budden
Executive Headteacher

Mary-Lyne Latour
Headteacher

Important Dates

Closing Date for Nursery Applications for September 2026 – Friday 6 February. [Further information here.](#)

Belleville Orchestra Performance at Mayor's Gala Concert – Tuesday 10 February, 7pm at Wandsworth Civic Suite. Orchestra members required from 5pm. To buy tickets, [please visit their website.](#)

Parent/Carer Evenings for Reception to Year 6 – Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 February. Bookings will open nearer the time, further details to follow.

Last Day of Spring Term 1 - Friday 13 February.

Spring Half Term - Monday 16 to Friday 20 February.

First Day of Spring Term 2 – Monday 23 February.

Year 6 Singing Project Performance – Friday 20 March, 10.30-11am, Webb's Lower Hall. All Y6 classes. The parts and backing tracks are [available to practice on our website.](#)

Year 6 at Wandsworth Music Brighter Sounds Concert – Wednesday 25 March, 7.30pm, Fairfield Halls

[Term dates for 2025-26 and 2026-27 academic years are on our website.](#)

Parent Gym

We still have a few places remaining on our next Parent Gym Course. You can find out more [on their website.](#) The programme is free of charge. Everyone is welcome but spaces are limited!

Each weekly session lasts two hours and will be held at Webb's Road. The sessions will take place on Tuesdays from 9.15-11.15am starting from 20 January. To sign up, please [register using this link.](#) If you have any questions, please contact: fiona.allan@belleville.q1e.org.uk

House Points

Well done Northcote House.





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Year 5 Update

Year 5 have swept into the new term with energy, curiosity and a growing sense of who they are as learners. Classrooms have been full of talk, questions and thoughtful disagreement, as pupils test ideas, rethink answers and learn from one another.

At the end of last term, the whole of Year 5 became authors, writing their very own children's books. The freedom to invent, experiment and write for joy had a noticeable impact on engagement, with pupils eagerly sharing ideas, reading aloud to one another and taking real pride in their finished work. We also ended the term acting out ancient Greek plays, including Medusa and Theseus and the Minotaur, bringing myths to life through performance and plenty of dramatic flair.

In maths we are proud to send a huge congratulations to Charlie T in 5N, who has been selected to go through to the bonus round of the Primary Maths Challenge alongside two Year 6 pupils. A fantastic achievement, Charlie.

Our science learning has quite literally launched into space. During our ICT day, pupils worked with space-related data to create charts and graphs, while also learning how to search the internet safely, efficiently and with a critical eye for reliable information.

Beyond the classroom, Year 5 are still buzzing from their residential trip to Ufton Court last term. Pupils threw themselves into every challenge, supporting one another, showing resilience and discovering just how capable they are. We would like to thank parents for trusting us with your children and enabling them to take part in experiences like these. Shared adventures such as the residential become stories pupils relive, retell and treasure, strengthening friendships and creating memories that last well beyond the term.



Our number one priority is to ensure that all children and adults are safe. If you are worried about something or if you are worried about someone else, you can talk to ANYONE who works for the school. Safeguarding is the responsibility of EVERYONE. Childline: 0800 1111