



17 November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

The week started a bit odd, with children and staff kicking off Anti-Bullying Week by wearing odd socks to celebrate our differences. One of our school aims is for all children and adults to feel safe, and in lessons and assemblies this week. the children have discussed what bullying means and who to talk to when upset both within and outside of school.

Thank you to the parents and carers that gave up their time to support our School Book Fair both before and after school this week. This is another fundraising event that supports the school in purchasing more books for our class libraries. The school receives 20% of the purchases and last year we raised £2,000 from this event.

We finished the week today all a bit spotty with School Council organising our Children In Need day. Thank you very much for your support. If you haven't as yet, and wish to make a donation to support, please do so here.

John Budden

Executive Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

PTA Winter coat donations for WrapUp London - 20 - 22November in the collection bags in school reception areas.

PTA Wreath making workshop - 28 - 30 November, 7pm -8.30pm, Webb's Road. Tickets are on sale here.

Belleville PTA Christmas Fair – Saturday 2 December, 12noon - 3pm, Webb's Rd. Christmas Tree sale 8.30am - 11am.

Christmas Concerts - 4 – 19 December, details on next page.

Anti-Bullying Week

It was fantastic to see so many children wearing odd socks on Monday and be able to articulately explain why they were wearing them. Throughout the week, the children took part in lots of activities, lessons and assemblies linked to **Anti-Bullying** week,. They have discussed how they can 'make a noise' about bullying and produced some fantastic work that is ready to be displayed around school to help educate and inform others.

We asked some of the children different questions and were so impressed with their responses:

What can we do to stop bullying?"Well, we can walk away with the person being bullied or tell a teacher if it is constant."

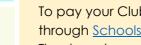
Why do we have anti-bullying

"We have Anti-Bullying Week to raise awareness of the hurtina towards people and to prevent it from happening more. Also, it is to create more friendships."



Don't Forget!

To pay your Club fees through SchoolsBuddy Thank you!









Christmas Concerts

Nursery - am	Friday 8 December	11.15am	Nursery
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RH	Monday 11 December	10am	Webb's - Lower Hall
RC	Monday 11 December	2pm	Webb's - Lower Hall
RM	Tuesday 12 December	10am	Webb's - Lower Hall
RR	Tuesday 12 December	2pm	Webb's - Lower Hall
REC	Wednesday 13 December	2pm	Meteor - Hall
Year 1	Friday 15 December	2pm	St. Michael's Church
Year 2	Friday 15 December	10.30am	St. Michael's Church
Year 3	Tuesday 19 December	10.30am	St. Michael's Church
Year 4			
4JS and 4M	Thursday 7 December	10.30am	Webb's Road – Middle Hall
4C and 4JM	Thursday 7 December	2.15pm	Meteor - Hall
Year 5	Thursday 14 December	2.15pm	Webb's - Lower Hall
Year 6			
6DB, 6T & 6W	Monday 18 December	10.30am	Webb's - Lower Hall
6B & 6H	Monday 18 December	2.30pm	Meteor - Hall

The address for St Michael's Church is Cobham Close, Wandsworth Common, SW11 6SP.

School Choir – Christmas Lights Switch On, Abyssinia Close, off Northcote Road, Fri 24 Nov, 4.30pm. Mayor's Charity Concert, Wandsworth Civic Centre, Tues 19 Dec, 6-8pm. Tickets £10, available here.

Belleville Football Team

On 14 November 2023, the Belleville football team played 4 matches with a result of 2 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss. Unfortunately, we didn't get through to the next round.

There were 9 players attending the tournament. Our first match we entered the field and in the opening minutes Gustavo opened the scoring. 2 minutes after, Khalid scored a spectacular goal from outside the box. Our next match we



played Cleaves Primary School, and they gave us a shock with a 5 second goal after play had started. The result was surprising for us because it ended with a 7-0 defeat.

The following match we had to face Hillbrook. This was going to be a challenge, but we all knew that we could win. We went 1-0 up and then they equalised, then a few minutes after we got a second and then a few moments before the final whistle went, they scored another. Our final match we won 3-0. Leo opened the scoring which made our hopes high for another win! Sammy scored a few minutes later, then in the closing seconds Zaid put one in the bottom corner to secure a win.

Review by: Leo, Sammy, Amari, and Khalid.





Year 4 Update

Year 4 had an exciting visitor last week! Dr Hussain, a local dentist, spoke with Year 4 about how to look after teeth, different types of teeth and many interesting facts! The children thoroughly enjoyed revisiting their learning about the digestive system. We were very surprised to hear that a shark gets a new set of teeth approximately every 8 days!

In other science related news, Year 4 have been carrying out a number of investigations to explore solids, liquids, and gases. They have been using their enquiry skills to answer some questions: does gas have a weight? Can a gas be made using a solid and a liquid?

In history, we have been learning about what Anglo-Saxon life was like. We played a crime and punishment game where they were able to develop an understanding of what crimes were committed and the result of these.







Year 3 Intergenerational Project

This week we launched this year' InCommon Intergenerational Project by pairing some of our children from Year 3 with residents from Queen Elizabeth House to take part in games and activities. Throughout the year, they will explore using different narrative and storytelling methods to get to know each other. The children were fantastic representatives for Belleville and should be incredibly proud of the great impression they made on the residents.







House Points









Wreath making workshop - 28 - 30 November, 7pm - 8.30pm at Webb's. (29 November is sold out.)

Make your own spectacular fresh wreath under the expert guidance of florist Sandra Janssens. The event costs £50 which includes the materials, a mulled wine, and a mince pie. Tickets on sale here.

Christmas trees are available to pre-order!

You can order them <u>online here</u>, and collect your tree at the **Christmas Tree Sale** on **Saturday 2 December**, **8.30am-11am**, Webb's Rd. Local delivery is available, just select this option online.

Pre-orders will close on Thursday 30 November.

The Belleville Christmas Fair is also approaching - Saturday 2 December, 12-3pm at Webb's Road. We are looking for the following donations: second-hand books and toys, raffle and tombola prizes. Please drop off to the school offices at both sites (clearly marked) if you can help.

Belleville Primary School Work with US!

Receptionist/Administrator

We are seeking a receptionist/administrator to join our busy and friendly office team from 8 January 2024.

The role is varied, consisting of supporting the school with all administrative tasks and reception duties, welcoming visitors, and liaising with all members of the local community.

We are looking for someone with excellent interpersonal and organisational skills, a positive attitude and plenty of enthusiasm.

For further details or to apply, <u>please visit our</u> <u>website</u>. The closing date for applications is **12noon on Monday 20 November 2023**.



Our number one priority is to ensure that 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.

Autumn Term 2023

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