



Dear Parents and Carers,

Please may we remind all members of our school community to be respectful to one another. We have been made aware of a couple of instances at both sites in the past week where parents and carers have been disrespectful or aggressive towards other parents/carers who are volunteering their time to help with the School Streets programme, and towards a resident of one of those streets.

We understand that the Schools Streets programme may not be something that all our community support, and that there are challenges with any programme that requires many people to volunteer to make it work effectively, but we support Wandsworth Council in their implementation of these schemes and in trying to make the school environment safer and healthier for all the children. Please also remember that residents of the street, as well as emergency vehicles and those holding a Blue Badge or WAND card can use a School Street during the hours of operation so families should still look out for traffic when crossing the road.

Thank you again to all the parents and carers who volunteer their time and energy to support the school in so many ways. We are very grateful for all that you do.

John Budden Mary-Lyne Latour
Executive Headteacher Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Belleville PTA Christmas wreath making – Wednesday 27 November – Webb's Road, 7pm-8.30pm. Tickets and further information available on the <u>PTA website</u>.

Belleville PTA Christmas tree sale - Saturday 30 November. 8.30am – 11am. Webb's Road. You can pre-order a Christmas tree online via the <u>PTA website</u> before 28 November or buy one on the day.

Maths - No Problem! Workshops – Tuesday 3 December, 2-3pm and 6-7pm, Webb's Road. Further details on the next page of this newsletter.

Christmas Lunch – Thursday 5 December. Children can wear festive jumpers to school. If you feel able to, we are collecting a suggested donation of £2 for Save the Children. You can <u>donate online here.</u>

Belleville PTA Winter 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.





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.

Maths – No Problem! Parent Workshops

Quality First Education Trust

All parents and carers from both sites are invited to our maths workshops on Tuesday 3 December, from 2-3pm and again from 6-7pm, at Webb's Road to learn more about how we teach maths in Belleville Primary School, as part of the Quality First Education Trust (Q1E).

Led by the Q1E Trust Director of Maths, Karen Taylor, and Maths Leads, Emily Grove and Suzi Telford, the session will explain our approach to teaching maths, what we need to cover and how we teach it, the structure of our lessons, and how we support your children in their learning. The session is suitable for all parents/carers with children in Reception to Year 6.

So that we have an idea of numbers, if you would like to attend, <u>please sign up here.</u> We look forward to welcoming you to either of the sessions.

Christmas Jumper Day!



Thursday 5 December is the children's Christmas lunch day. To add some fun and cheer on the day, children and staff can come to school wearing their brightest, cheeriest jumper, a Christmas jumper they already own, or they can decorate an existing jumper. Please don't buy anything new!

For those who are able to, we would like to ask for a donation of £2 for 'Save the Children' to raise money for the charity. You can donate via the link here.

All the money raised goes towards helping children around the world. We can't wait to see you all in your jumpers!











Year 4 Update

As part of our science topic 'solids, liquids and gases', Year 4 took part in an exciting science show this week, where they were exploring a range of solids, liquids and gases and changing states.









They also carried out an investigation in the classroom turning liquid into solid by freezing it to make ice cream! We asked the question, 'Can we make a gas using a liquid and solid?' They found out that when combining water with an effervescent tablet, they made the gas Carbon Dioxide!











Wrap Up London Collection

Thank you to everyone who donated coats to Belleville PTA's <u>Wrap Up London</u> collection and to Anna Biesty for arranging it. Eight huge sacks were collected which will now be distributed amongst multiple frontline charities, including homelessness organisations, refugees, and family centres.

Donating a coat is not only beneficial in itself. It also works as a gateway for an individual to gain access to other service and support given by Wrap Up's charity partners.



Children's Social Media Use

Many people are concerned about the damaging effect social media has on many children and young people. There is currently a petition to the UK Parliament asking them to introduce 16 as the minimum age for children to have social media accounts. If you would like to support this petition, you can sign it here.



We still need more volunteers for School Streets, especially for the Meteor Street trial. **Meteor Street**, please <u>sign up here.</u> **Webb's Road**, please <u>sign up here.</u> Thank you!





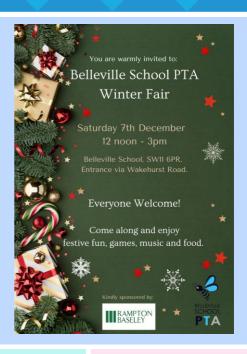


Thank you to everyone who made our Festive Shopping Evening such a success and especially to Clare, Helen, Jessica and Sarah.

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Wandsworth Music Academy

Wandsworth Music Academy has some spaces for children in Years 3 – 6 who are learning an orchestral instrument and have a keen interest in music making! The Academy runs on Saturdays at Burntwood School, 9.30-1.30pm. The children have a full morning of activities including choir, djembe/steel pans, an instrumental lesson, music theory and an ensemble/orchestra. The children take part in large-scale concerts and progress through the academy to their senior orchestras. To find out more or apply, please visit their website or email info@wandsworthmusic.co.uk

Bolingbroke
Academy would
like to invite any
families who may
be considering a
place at the
school to attend
their <u>Christmas</u>
<u>Fayre</u> on Friday 29
Nov, 3.45–6.30pm.

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.



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