

Belleville News 23 February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to share with you a really uplifting experience from the Friday before half term. As you may know, each week our teachers hand out Achievement certificates to children that have performed particularly well in class and in their learning that week. We present these in Achievement Assembly on a Friday afternoon.

Last Friday, three of our Year 6 children - Bri, Abigail, and Siyana came to us and said they wanted to give an Achievement Award to Rose, one of our fantastic cleaning staff, for everything she does for everyone at the school. Here is a photo of her receiving the award.

We talk a lot in assemblies and class about thinking about the things that other people do for you, often unseen, and taking time to thank these people for what they do. We were so impressed by how the girls put this into action, really displaying the CARE values that we strive to live by in our school.

John Budden Executive Headteacher Mary-Lyne Latour Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Battersea Education Wellbeing Service Coffee Morning – Supporting your child with Anxiety – Monday 26 February, 9am, Webb's Road. If you would like to attend, <u>please sign up here.</u>

Belleville PTA World Book Day book and costume sale – Thursday 29 February, Webb's Road and Meteor Street, pick-up time.

Belleville PTA Film Nights – Friday 1 March (Reception and Year 1), Friday 15 March (Years 2 and 3), Friday 22 March (Years 4 – 6). Meteor Street from 5pm. Tickets will be on sale through <u>PTA website</u>.

World Book Day - Thursday 7 March.

Belleville PTA Quiz Night - Friday 8 March, 7pm, Meteor Street.

Year 6 Singing Project with Wandsworth Music. In School performances. Friday 22 March, 10.30am, Webb's Road for 6DB, 6T and 6W. Friday 22 March, 2.30pm, Meteor Street for 6B and 6H. Brighter Sounds Concert - Weds 27 March, 7pm at Fairfield Halls.



Rose receiving her Achievement Award.

SEND and Wellbeing

Wandsworth's SEND Local Offer team are holding a free drop-in **SEND Parent/Carer Coffee Morning** on Wednesday 28 February, 10am to 12.30pm at <u>Providence House, 138</u> Falcon Road, SW11 2LW

The event will provide upto-date information about Wandsworth's SEND Local Offer and what support and services there are available. For queries about this event, please <u>email</u> them directly.

The NHS-in-School Education Wellbeing Service is offering a free webinar for KS2 parents and carers on supporting common child anxieties and worries, including around exams.

These will take place online on Tuesday 27 February, 7.30-8.30pm, and Thursday 29 February, 12.30-1.30pm. You can sign up for the sessions by using this link.



French Update

Before half term, Year 5 visited the <u>Institut Français</u> for a French language, culture, and cinema day. In the morning, they did activities linked to the film that we then watched in the afternoon. 50G did an art activity involving creating a stop-motion animation. 5S and 5T worked together and challenged their French knowledge with language activities about the film, and 5G explored the French books in children's library and collaborated in teams with an online quiz.

In the afternoon, we all watched the animation film Le Petit Nicolas in their cinema, which linked to our French topic in Spring 1. Visit the Institut Français for films, workshops, and French libraries!



In Spring 2 term, Years 3 to 6 will be participating in a worldwide music competition called <u>Manie Musicale</u>, where children from schools all over the world will listen to songs from Francophone artists and vote for their favourite. In class, they will complete a bracket like this where they predict who will win. Look out for a similar display on the top corridor at Webb's and at Meteor.



Music is a fun and engaging way to improve cultural awareness and language skills, so please encourage

your children to listen to the music at home! The songs can be accessed via the following platforms: <u>YouTube</u>, <u>Spotify</u> or <u>Apple music</u>. Merci!

Nursery Pancakes!

It was Pancake time in Nursery with both classes having the opportunity to watch how pancakes are made as well as the rather exciting job of eating them. The children were offered a variety of toppings to choose from, which they then spread on top of their pancake. This is the first week of our new topic - "Food" where the children will get to explore a variety of foods linked to stories from The Hungry Caterpillar Fruit Salad to Little Red Hen Crusty Bread.





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Art Update

Year 2 have been learning about the author and illustrator Eric Carle. They painted beautiful paper for their collage using a variety of tools and materials and practiced their watercolour painting skills for the background. We are so proud of what they have achieved.



Year 3 have been inspired by Picasso ceramics when they made these beautiful paintings. They worked to improve their control of materials and tools and created wonderful patterns and textures.



Year 4 have been using oil pastels to create portraits in the style of Amedeo Modigliani. Year 5 have been making their own zines based on the poem "Ghost in the Garden." They created painted papers which they turned into collages and then printed over the top in black ink.



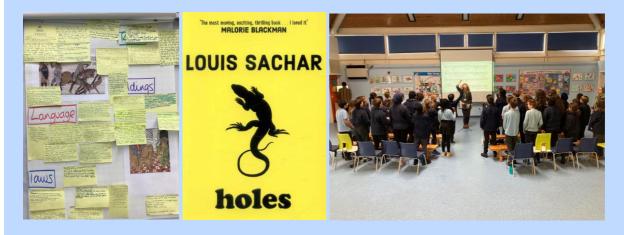
Year 6 have been making mixed media artworks, practicing collage, drawing, and adding textural materials to their work, inspired by the German artist, Anselm Kiefer.





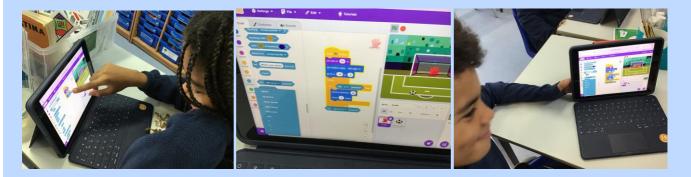
Year 6 Update

The new half term has begun is a busy fashion. In maths, Year 6 have completed their brand-new learning on ratio by solving complex word problems; they will continue their march towards SATs in May by taking on the challenge of algebra. In English, we also commence our perennial favourite – Holes, which we use to produce some outstanding pieces of writing.



Our learning in History continues with its research into migration. In recent lessons, Year 6 have researched the Norman Conquest and its long-lasting impact on modern day Britain. This was an excellent chance for everyone to show independence and a desire to learn more. As the photograph shows, a huge amount of research was carried out within the classes.

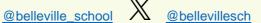
As the term gets into full swing, classes are beginning to use Scratch to further their skills in programming. It extends their learning from last half term when Year 6 programmed a Lego EV3 model to perform specific tasks.



In addition, the children are honing their harmonies in readiness for the performances both in school and, for some, at Fairfield Halls in Croydon. Ms Hughes has been working hard to encourage everyone to sing their hearts out.

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Wandsworth Music – Young Musician of the Year and Music Scholarships

Wandsworth Music are encouraging applications for **Wandsworth Young Musician of the Year**. Round one is open to all instrumentalists and vocalists and entries will take place by video submissions. There are three categories:

- Junior Solo Category (age 12 or under, *minimum* standard Grade 4)
- Senior Solo Category (age 13-18, *minimum* standard Grade 5)
- Ensemble Category (under 18s, groups of 3-12, recommended minimum standard Grade 5)

The closing date for applications and video submissions is **Monday 1 April.** To find out more and complete the application form, please <u>visit their website</u>.

Applications for Music Scholarships to attend the Wandsworth Music Academy are also open. These scholarships provide up to 4 years' of funding to attend Wandsworth Music Academy for children in Years 3 to 6 in challenging circumstances or in need of financial support to continue their music tuition. More information including eligibility criteria and the online application form can be found at www.wandsworthmusic.co.uk/scholarships. The deadline for applications is **Tuesday 30 April 2024**.

Belleville PTA

In advance of World Book Day, we will be holding a **costume**, **cake and book sale on Thursday 29 February** at both sites at pick up time. If you have **any good quality school age books and fancydress costumes** to donate, please drop them at the school offices from Monday 26 February. We would also love **donations for the cake sale**, either homemade or shop bought. Donations can be dropped in either of the school offices that morning or brought straight to the sale at pick up. We also need **volunteers** to help with running the sale. Please email <u>hello@bellevillepta.org</u> if you can help.



Spring Term 2024 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 children and adults are safe.

Our number one priority is to ensure that all

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

Autumn Term 2024

INSET Days: Mon 2 and Tues 3 Sept - school closed to children. First day of Autumn 1: Wednesday 4 September Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 25 October Autumn half term: Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November INSET Day: Monday 4 November – school closed to children. First day of Autumn 2: Tuesday 5 November Last day of Autumn 2: Friday 20 December

Full term dates for 2024/25 academic year are on our website.