# **Quality First Education Trust**

# Belleville News 23 May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We want to say a huge thank you to everyone that attended The Auction of Promises event on Friday night. It was a truly spectacular event and to see so many of the school community make such an effort to make the event the huge success it was, was simply amazing. The auction and the generosity of the lots on offer was stunning - only to be outdone by the generosity of our parent body in their bidding. To see the level of support for what the school is striving to provide for all our children is humbling.

The biggest thanks of all must go to the magnificent event organisers: Elle Barker, Kate Bourne, Jodie Gillan and Sasha Hughes, plus all their team that helped in a number of ways to make it such a success. Thank you to you all from the whole school community.

Next week is half term. We hope everyone has an enjoyable break and we shall see the children back at the normal time on Monday 2nd June.

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## **Dates for your diary**

Dates for your diary are on Page 2 as there are a lot of them! Please check them carefully.

#### From our SENCOs

The Education Wellbeing Service will be presenting a free parent webinar on Managing Screen Time and Social Media for Years 5 & 6 on Tuesday 3 June, 12.30-1.30pm and Thursday 5 June, 7.30-9.30pm. In the workshop, you'll:

- Bust myths and learn the science of children's screen time
- Get practical tips for clear boundaries
- Discover strategies to support your child's wellbeing online and off.

To sign up, visit their website.

## **Belleville Beehive – IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

We will be opening bookings for the Autumn 2025 term of Wraparound Care towards the end of June.

If you would like to pay for wraparound care next year with Childcare Vouchers/Tax Free Childcare, it is very important that you let us know before booking opens or you will not be able to choose this method of payment. Please complete this short form to let us know by Friday 13 June.

As detailed in the newsletter sent to all families who currently use wraparound care, from the Autumn term, payment for wraparound sessions will be required in advance. You will also be able to cancel or book additional sessions at short notice, subject to availability. We understand that requiring payment in advance may be difficult for some families. If you are in receipt of Universal Credit or require assistance with payment schedules, please also complete the short form and we will contact you.



#### **Dates for your diary:**

Summer half term - Monday 26 to Friday 30 May. Children return to school on Monday 2 June.

PTA Quiz Night – Friday 6 June, 7pm. Meteor Street. Tickets via PTA website.

Year 4 and Year 5 Secondary Transfer Event – Monday 9 June, 6 – 7.30pm. Webb's Road.

Year 6 School Journey - Monday 16 - Friday 20 June.

PTA Summer Fair – Saturday 5 July, Webb's Road.

Parent/Carer Evenings - Wednesday 16 and Thursday 17 July.

Last day of Summer Term 2 - Tuesday 22 July. with earlier finish times. Years 1–6 - 2.20pm, Reception - 2.25pm, Nursery Red - 2.30pm. Please note: Belleville Beehive Wraparound closes at 5.30pm on the last day of term.

#### **Sports Days**

Year 5 and Year 6 – Wednesday 4 June, morning. Tooting Bec Athletics Track.

Year 3 and Year 4 - Thursday 3 July, 1.30pm - 3pm, Clapham Common.

Year 1 and Year 2 – Tuesday 24 June, 1.30pm – 3pm, Clapham Common.

Reception – Wednesday 9 July, 1.30pm-3pm, Clapham Common.

Nursery – Wednesday 9 July, 1pm – 1.30pm, Clapham Common.

#### **Summer Concert Dates**

Year 6 Drumming Performances – Friday 13 June, Lower Playground, Webb's Road. 6DB 9.30-10am, 6T 10.30-11am, 6H 2.30-3pm.

Year 4 WCET Festival – Brass (trumpet, trombone, baritone, French horn) - Monday 30 June, 11.30am - 12.30pm, All Saint's Church, Tooting, Brudenell Rd, SW17 8DQ
Strings (violin, viola, cello) - Tuesday 1 July, 11.30am – 12.30pm and Woodwind (Clarinets, Flute, Saxophone) - Tuesday 1 July, 2.30-3.30pm, both at The Civic Suite, Wandsworth Town Hall, SW18 2PU

Year 4 performance - Thursday 10 July, 2.30-3.05pm, Top Playground, Webb's Road.

Year 5 performance – Friday 11 July, 5G and 5K - 10.30am-11am, Lower Hall, Webb's Road, 5OG and 5S - 2.30-3pm, Meteor Hall.

Year 3 performance - Monday 14 July, 2.30-3.05pm, Top Playground, Webb's Road.

Year 2 performance – Tuesday 15 July, 2.30-3.05pm, Top Playground, Webb's Road.

Year 1 performance - Wednesday 16 July, 2.30-3.05pm, Top Playground, Webb's Road.



#### **Nursery Update**

Nursery children had an egg-citing surprise this week. Our duck eggs finally hatched, and we had 3 baby ducklings to look after! The children have all had the opportunity to hold a duck as well as watch them have a bath in the water tray. Our feathery friends have kept the children entertained with their torpedo swimming, their funny waddling as well as their many, many duck poos on the floor! It's quite astonishing how quickly they have grown over the past few days, and we will be sad to say goodbye to Lollipop, Waffle and Popcorn on Friday.

Continuing the living things theme, the children have also been growing bean plants. They have learned that seeds need warmth, food and water to grow and have looked after their plants over the last few weeks. Some children had a go at sketching the bean plants, looking carefully at the details.

Finally, we also had our first whole class parent reading session on Monday and Friday, where parents were invited into the Nursery to read a selection of books with their children. It was a great turnout and many books were read!



### **Royal Academy of Art Young Artists**

Huge congratulations to Amour Dixon in 4C and Grace How in 3AF who have had their wonderful artwork accepted into the <u>Royal Academy Young Artists online</u> <u>exhibition</u> this summer. We are so proud of this fantastic achievement. Well done girls.



### **Eco-Council Update**

We have started collecting food waste to recycle! Eco-councillors and staff are making sure everyone is putting their food in the separate bin.

Watch what happens to food waste here. You can recycle your food waste at home for free. Here's information about how to do this if you live in a flat or if you live in a house.



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#### **Music Update**

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6DB, 6H, and 6T have been learning to play in Djembe Drumming Ensemble. Layering 2, 3, and 4 rhythm patterns on top of each other.



# **Belleville PTA**

#### **Auction of Promises**

A Heartfelt Thank You from the PTA. What a night to remember! Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Gatsby-themed Auction Evening.



It was a spectacular celebration of community, generosity, and a touch of 1920s glamour.

We are incredibly grateful to Kate, Jodie, Sasha and Elle for their outstanding organisation and dedication. Their creativity and effort brought the evening together so amazingly, the compliments have been pouring in and are so well deserved.

Thanks to your incredible support on the night and via the online auction, we raised a significant amount for our school community.

#### **Quiz Night**

Join us for the Belleville PTA Quiz Night on **Friday 6** June at Meteor. Doors open at 7pm. Whether you're a trivia expert or just in it for the laughs, it's a great way to catch up with other parents and support the school. <u>Tickets are available now</u> and we'd love to see as many parents and friends there as possible!

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

#### **Term Dates**

#### Summer Term 2025

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

#### Autumn Term 2025

Inset Days: Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 September First day of Autumn 1: Wednesday 3 September Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 24 October Autumn half term: Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October Inset Day: Monday 3 November First day of Autumn 2: Tuesday 4 November Last day of Autumn 2: Friday 19 December

Full term dates for 2025-26 academic year are on our website.