

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to everyone and hope you had an enjoyable Easter break. The children have returned this week ready for the Summer term and have started the week with the right mind set, displaying many of our Excellent Learner and Care values.

The Summer term will be busy with many concerts, sports days and other events. Please keep an eye out for dates of upcoming events.

John Budden Executive Headteacher Mary-Lyne Latour Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Belleville PTA Fun Run – Sunday 11 May, 9am – 11.30am, Wandsworth Common. Tickets £6, via the <u>PTA website</u>.

Year 6 SATS week – Monday 12 – Thursday 15 May.

Belleville PTA Auction of Promises – Friday 16 May, 7pm, Civic Suite, Wandsworth. Final tickets via the <u>PTA website</u>.

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

Belleville PTA Quiz Night – Friday 6 June. Meteor Street, Further details to follow via PTA website.

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

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

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

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

Nursery Places

We have a small number of part-time Nursery places available for September 2025 in our very nurturing, self-contained Nursery space at Webb's Road.

If you would like to apply, or if you know of any local families looking for a Nursery place, please <u>visit</u> <u>our website</u> and download the application form.

If you have any questions before making an application, or would like to join a school tour to see the Nursery, please email <u>Maria Petrou</u> who will be very happy to help.

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Belleville News

French Bee Update

Yesterday we hosted a regional Stage 2 competition for the National Routes into Languages French Bee. 24 children from Rosendale Primary School joined 23 Belleville pupils. The children had all practised very hard and the standard was amazing.



Well done to all participants: Arthur (6DB), Zoe (6DB), Madison (6DB), Effie (6T), Neveah (6T), Nicolas (6T), Catalina (6T), Phoebe N (5OG), Phoebe H (5OG), Alice (5OG), Vittoria (5G), Hermione (5G), Maya S (5G), Lucia (5K), Sophie (5K), Lorena (5K), Yunus (6B), Bodhana (5S), Rose (5S), Taiki (5S), Nicolas (5S).

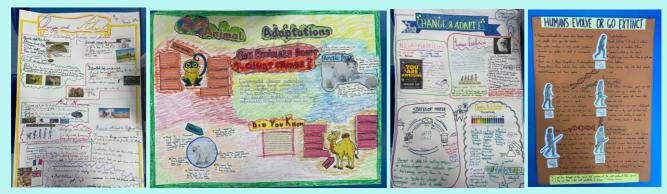
Congratulations also go to Ruby(6DB) and Penelope(6H) who scored the highest and made it through to the national finals, which will take place in July at the University of Cambridge!

Science Week Competition Results

A huge thank you to all the children who took part in the British Science Week poster competition. We had over 100 entries across the school and the standard was extremely high. Many congratulations to the winners who received their certificates in assembly just before the Easter break.

Year 1 - Felicity (1C), Year 2 - Inaia (2M), Year 3 - Elenore R (3MG), Year 4 - Helena (4H), Year 5 - A joint entry from Victoire, Michaela and Juliette (5S), Year 6 - Audrey (6DB).



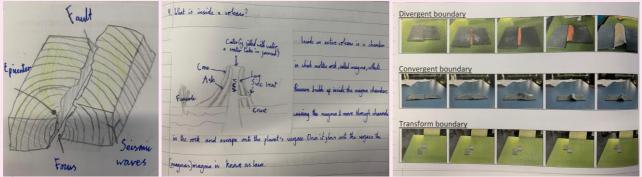




Year 6 Update

During the last half term, Year 6 produced some phenomenal work. In English, the children have been studying award-winning novel 'Holes', a story about a juvenile detention centre found in the middle of the Texan desert. They wrote a section of a narrative and the teachers were thoroughly impressed with the children's development of tension up to the climax of the story. With jaw dropping moments and sweat-inducing sequences, their narratives certainly showed that Year 6 is full of budding novelists.

Our Geography learning was based on earthquakes, mountains and volcanoes. Throughout the year, the children have developed their teamwork skills and this was certainly on show in these topic lessons, where the children completed a number of SOLE (self-organised learning environment) lessons. These involve the children deciding on who they will work with, what they will research and how they will present their findings. Their final products were fantastically creative and detailed.



In Science, the children thoroughly enjoyed learning about evolution and inheritance. A particular highlight was an experiment that the children completed focused on Darwin's finches. The children had different shaped beaks (clothes pegs, tweezers, chopsticks and bulldog clips) and their aim was to eat as many pieces of food as they could in 30 seconds. Those birds (children) that ate enough food survived, while those that did not eat enough died off, therefore showing the children how Darwin's idea of 'The survival of the fittest' works.



This term is a very exciting one for the children with opportunities such as School Journey looming. It can also be a daunting one with the SATs coming up. The children do not need to worry about these tests as they are already prepared for them and they will continue to practise over the next few weeks. The Year 6 teachers are already incredibly proud of what the children have achieved and they will simply be encouraged to try their best; they cannot do anything more than that.



Belleville PTA



Belleville News

We're excited to announce that the Belleville Fun Run is back on Sunday 11 May, from 9am – 11.30am on Wandsworth Common. Whether you're a speedy sprinter or a cheerful chaser, all fitness levels are welcome. Join us for a morning of fresh air and fun for the whole family.

Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6 run 2km, Years 1 & 2 run 1km and Nursery & Reception run 500m. Mums' Race – 2km and Dads' Race – 2km

Tickets: £6 per person. <u>Book here online in advance</u>. Bookings close on Friday 9 May. **No tickets will be sold on the day.** Each participating family member needs a ticket. Current Belleville pupils only.

Fun Run Volunteers needed!

Can you lend a hand with setup or help during the event? Please sign up here if you can help!

Auction of Promises – final call for promises please!

We invite you to offer a promise – it can be anything! The more promises we secure, the more we can raise for our school. To donate a Promise please <u>use this link</u> or pick up a form from the school office and pop it in the PTA box or email it to <u>promisesauction@gmail.com</u>

Bolingbroke PA Spring Fair

As a feeder school for Bolingbroke Academy, their PA warmly invite Belleville families to attend their Spring Fair, this coming **Saturday 26 April from 12noon to 3.30pm**. This year's vibe is country and they'll be looking out for cowboy boots, Stetsons and anything else cowgirl/boy related. There are plenty of fun games for primary school children, delicious food from around the world, cakes, crepes and ice cream. More information is <u>available on their website</u>.

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

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

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.