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3 July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really looking forward to seeing lots of you at the Summer Fair tomorrow. (12-3pm at Webb's Road). It is always a fantastic event, and we would like to say a huge thank you to the PTA team and all the parents who help to make it such a fantastic event. We look forward to seeing you there.

We hope many of you have had the chance to meet and speak to Toby Martlew, Belleville's new Executive Head Teacher. It has been a pleasure to work with Toby for this half term, and we know that this extended handover will be so valuable in ensuring a flying start for the school in September.

One of the many advantages of the handover with Toby, is that his previous role was as an HMI for OFSTED inspections. This is the highest qualification for inspectors at OFSTED and HMIs lead the inspection team at a school.

As I said previously, Belleville is now in the window for an inspection using the new inspection framework that focuses on Inclusion for children with SEND and children who are Disadvantaged. All the areas of the inspection will be looked at through this lens.

Belleville was judged to be Outstanding in March 2022, but the new framework no longer has an overarching one-word judgement. Instead there are five possible judgements:

- Exceptional
- **Strong**
- **Expected**
- **Needs Attention**
- Urgent Improvement

Ofsted guidance states that they expect the vast majority of inspections to deal primarily with the three judgements in bold. For an area to be judged Exceptional, the work should be worthy of national sharing, so this judgment will be rare.

These judgements will be applied to seven different areas:

- Inclusion
- Curriculum and Teaching
- Achievement
- Attendance and Behaviour
- Personal Development and Wellbeing
- Early Years
- Leadership and Governance

In addition to this there is a Met or Not Met judgement for Safeguarding.

We understand that the new **Expected grade is higher than the previous Good grade, and the new Strong grade is higher than the previous Outstanding grade.** Ofsted have produced a useful video for parents and carers to explain the new system. **You can view it here.** If you would like to see an example of a report under the new framework, please visit their website.

John Budden
Executive Headteacher

Mary-Lyne Latour
Headteacher

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Important Dates

Belleville PTA Summer Fair – Saturday 4 July, 12 noon – 3pm, Webb's Road.
Year 1 & Year 2 Sports Day - Monday 6 July at 9.30am-11.30am, Clapham Common.
Reception Sports Day – Monday 6 July, 1.30pm-3pm, Clapham Common.
Nursery Sports Day – Monday 6 July, 1pm-1.30pm, Clapham Common.
Nursery Parent/Carer evenings – Monday 6 to Thursday 9 July, Bookings now open.
Year 5 Concert for 5K, 5N, and 5O– Tuesday 7 July, 2.20pm, Webb's Road.
Year 3 Concert – Wednesday 8 July, **9.30am,** Top Playground, Webb's Road. **Change of time.**
Year 4 Concert – Thursday 9 July, **9.30am,** Top Playground, Webb's Road. **Change of time.**
Year 5 Concert for 5S and 5T – Friday 10 July, 2.20pm, Meteor Street.
Parent/Carer Evenings (Reception to Year 6) – Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 July. (**1H** will take place on Tuesday 14 July and Wednesday 15 July.) Booking details to follow.
Year 2 Concert – Monday 13 July, 2.15pm, Top playground, Webb's Road.
Year 1 Concert – Tuesday 14 July, 2.15pm, Top playground, Webb's Road.
Last Day of Summer Term 2 – Friday 17 July, with earlier finish times. Years 1–6 2.20pm, Reception 2.25pm, Nursery Red 2.30pm. **Belleville Beehive Wraparound closes at 5.30pm on the last day of term.**

Term dates for the 2026-27 academic year are on our website.

Year 4 Music

Our Year 4 children performed at the Wandsworth WCET alongside other Wandsworth Primary Schools earlier this week and sounded amazing, showcasing all the learning they have done this year. We are so proud of their performance.

We would like to thank Belleville PTA for their ongoing support of the Year 4 music programme and to Wandsworth Music for delivering the lessons. If your child would like to continue with individual music lessons next year, please visit our website for more details.

Schools Games Mark 2026

We are delighted to announce that our PE provision has been recognised by the School Games Mark Gold Award! Thank you to our specialist PE team of George Pannell (PE), Tom Ayling (PE), Rhian Robbins (dance) and David Roy-Wood (gymnastics) for all your hard work and enthusiasm across the year.

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Belleville Wins the 2026 Emanuel School Primary Team Mathematics Challenge!

On Tuesday, four Year 5 pupils from Belleville – Leo, Charlie, Arya and Calum – took part in the Emanuel Primary Team Mathematics Challenge, competing against 16 teams from local primary schools.

The competition featured four rounds of mathematical problem solving, including a fast-paced relay round where teamwork and communication were just as important as mathematical knowledge. Each challenge required careful thinking, clear reasoning and effective collaboration to solve complex problems.

The relay round proved to be a highlight, combining speed, excitement and the need for strong teamwork. The pupils also enjoyed tackling problems that encouraged creative thinking and the application of a range of strategies.

Throughout the competition, the team demonstrated excellent listening skills and a strong ability to check and refine their answers. Their supportive approach ensured that every member contributed positively.

Belleville was delighted to be announced as the winning team, bringing the Emanuel Mathematics Shield back to the school. It was a fantastic achievement and a proud moment for all involved.

Many thanks to Emanuel School for organising such an enjoyable and well-run event. Belleville looks forward to returning next year to defend the title.

School Council Pyjama Day

Last Thursday, our School Council organised a fantastic Pyjama Day. Despite the exceptionally hot weather, everyone stayed cool in their pyjamas and enjoyed a fun-filled day at school.

Thank you to all the children, families and staff who supported the event by making a donation. Together, we raised £534.15 for Little Village, a charity that provides essential items, including clean underwear, to children and families who need extra support. Your generosity will help make a real difference to many families.

Follow us on social: @belleville_school @belleville-primary-school

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Local Governor Visits

During May and June, local governors visited both the Webb's and Meteor sites to observe lunchtime, speak informally with pupils and staff, sample the food and gain a better understanding of the lunchtime experience across the school. At the Webb's site, we also had the opportunity to see the new catering arrangements and staggered lunchtime timetable in action following their recent introduction.

We were delighted by what we saw. Across both sites, lunchtime welcoming. Children moved confidently through the lunch routines, queued sensibly, enjoyed their meals and had plenty of opportunities to play afterwards. It was particularly pleasing to see pupils demonstrating such independence, from collecting their meals to tidying away afterwards.

At the Webb's site, the staggered lunchtime timetable appears to be working very well, creating calmer dining spaces and giving children more room to enjoy their playtimes. At the Meteor site, although the timetable has not changed, younger pupils continue to eat before older pupils, and the lunchtime routine also felt relaxed and well organised.

We enjoyed seeing the wide variety of activities available during lunchtime, including sports, drawing, reading, chess and quieter spaces for those who preferred them. At the Meteor site, it was especially lovely to see the Year 6 Playground Pals supporting younger children to make friends, join in with games and enjoy their lunchtime.

Governors sampled the food at both visits and were impressed by both the quality and the range of options available. There were always vegetarian choices, fresh salad options and fruit available, and pupils we spoke to were positive about the meals on offer.

We were also impressed by the caring and supportive atmosphere. Lunchtime staff were highly visible, engaging positively with pupils, and we were pleased to hear about the additional conflict resolution training they have received to complement their safeguarding training.

As governors, part of our role is to understand how the school is working in practice and to ask constructive questions that help support continuous improvement. During the visits we discussed areas such as encouraging healthy hydration, ensuring all pupils are making the most of lunchtime, and how the school can continue to develop an already positive lunchtime experience.

Our visits left us with a very positive impression. It was clear that a great deal of planning, care and teamwork goes into providing a safe, enjoyable and well-organised lunchtime for children across both sites. We'd like to thank Megan Shaw and the entire lunchtime team for welcoming us and for the care and enthusiasm they show every day in supporting our pupils.

Lisa Eaton, on behalf of the Local Governing Board

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'Our Big Wide World' - Reception Update

This half term, Reception's learning has been centred around 'Our Big Wide World', and it has been wonderful to see the children's curiosity and enthusiasm shine through. They have loved exploring different habitats, discovering how turtles use the moon to help guide them, and thinking carefully about the small changes we can all make to look after our planet. Their creativity has also been on full display as they transformed recycled materials into fantastic creations, including the kites they made this week.

One of the highlights of the half term was Reception's first trip to the Horniman Museum. The visit brought our learning to life, giving the children the opportunity to see a wide variety of animals and deepen their understanding of habitats. We are very grateful to all the parents and carers who kindly gave up their time to support us on the day.

As we look ahead to the final weeks of term, the children will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher, and enjoy a music lesson with Ms Hughes, our specialist music teacher who will be teaching them next year. School reports will be sent home before the end of term, and you will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher at the final Parents' Evening.

As a team, we would like to thank you for your continued support. It has been a fantastic year, and we are very proud of how well the children have settled into school life. It has been a joy to watch them grow in confidence and independence and develop a real love of learning.

SEND Resources

Wandsworth Family Information Service has many resources available to help support families with children with SEND.

To join Belleville's SEND parent-run WhatsApp group, please scan the QR code.

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Chess Success

Belleville's girls' chess team went to Queen's Gate Chess Tournament hosted by Queen's Gate School. The team performed exceptionally well, finishing in 3rd place with a total of 25 points out of 36. Special congratulations to Felicity, who was awarded the top performer medal for the team, winning two matches and drawing one. Congratulations to the whole team for their impressive efforts and achievements!

Local Sports Opportunities

Chris Graham, who runs our netball clubs, has two local netball opportunities. Boys Netball returns to Burntwood School this summer for boys in Year 4 upwards. Learn how to play netball, in conjunction with Spencer Netball and the London Giants Men's Netball Club. Find out more on their website.

Clapham Netball is a nurturing club for both girls and boys. They have a small number of places available on Saturdays at 8.25am for Years 2-6 and 9.25am for Years 3-10. Sign up on their website.

For those who like running, the Vitality Westminster Mile x Daily Mile wave is back. The Vitality Westminster Mile is a one-mile fun run which finishes outside Buckingham Palace! It takes place on Saturday 26 September 2026. To book your place, please visit the Let's Do This website.

Belleville PTA

Summer Fair – Saturday 4 July, 12 noon – 3pm, Webb's Road

Join us for the Belleville PTA summer fair tomorrow! Saturday 4 July at Webb's Road. Games, music, food, drink and a bouncy slide. Thanks as always to our amazing sponsors Rampton Baseley for making events like this possible.

Free entry, tokens for the stalls. Everybody welcome!
There will also be a pre-loved uniform sale available at the fair.

Summer Fair Raffle

There will also be a raffle taking place at the fair with loads of amazing prizes to be won. Tickets are £2 each and you can buy them in advance via the PTA website here or on the day.

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