



Belleville News

6 February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We look forward to seeing many of you in school next week for Parents' Evenings. If you have not already, please do make an appointment via School Spider. We see these occasions as a very important part of the ongoing conversation between you and the teacher.

There should be no major surprises at Parents' Evening, if the communication is working well. It is also an opportunity for you to see your child's work and for us to continue to work together to help your child's progress.

Many thanks for your ongoing support and we look forward to seeing many of you there. Have a good weekend.

John Budden

Executive Headteacher

Mary-Lyne Latour

Headteacher

Important Dates

'Come as Yourself' Day – Monday 9 February. Non-uniform day for Children's Mental Health Week. All children should wear whatever makes them feel comfortable, confident and like they truly belong.

Belleville Orchestra Performance at Mayor's Gala Concert – Tuesday 10 February, 7pm at Wandsworth Civic Suite. Orchestra members required from 5pm. To buy tickets, [please visit their website](#).

Parent/Carer Evenings for Reception to Year 6 – Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 February. Bookings will open nearer the time, further details to follow.

Last Day of Spring Term 1 - Friday 13 February. **Non-uniform day for children in Wakehurst House.**

PTA Valentine's Bake Sale - Friday 13 February after school, both sites.

Spring Half Term - Monday 16 to Friday 20 February.

First Day of Spring Term 2 – Monday 23 February.

Belleville Choir perform at Wandsworth, London Borough Culture Event: Sing to Thrive – Thursday 19 March, choir singing at 4.30pm. Putney Exchange. Further details to follow.

Year 6 Singing Project Performance – Friday 20 March, 10.30-11am, Webb's Lower Hall. All Y6 classes. The parts and backing tracks are [available to practise on our website](#).

Year 6 at Wandsworth Music Brighter Sounds Concert – Wednesday 25 March, 7.30pm, Fairfield Halls

[Term dates for 2025-26 and 2026-27 academic years are on our website.](#)

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Lateness = Lost Learning

We would like to remind everyone of **the importance of being on time for the start of school**. We have a number of children arriving after the first lesson has started at 9:00am in Year 1 -Year 6. Missing the start of lessons can be upsetting and embarrassing for a child to have to walk into a classroom late and on their own. **Did you know that if your child is 5 minutes late for school each day, they will lose three days of learning over the course of a school year?** If they are 30 minutes late each day, that rises to 19 days of missed learning! Please make sure that your child is on time for school.

For information about our attendance expectations, holidays, reporting absence and sickness, [please visit our website](#). Thank you for your support.

Yellow Lines

We are noticing some parents/carers stopping on the yellow zig zag lines outside both school sites during the hours that the parking restrictions are in place for school drop off/pick-up. **Please do not drop off/pick up on the yellow lines. They are there for the safety of all our children.** It [is also illegal to stop on the yellow zig zag lines](#) during the hours they are in operation. We have spoken with Wandsworth Council and their traffic enforcement officers will be patrolling in the coming weeks.

Please can we also ask everyone to avoid confrontation and inappropriate language with other parents/carers or our staff around this issue as this makes the children and the community feel unsafe.

Children's SEN Support Plans (SSP)

For children with SEN support plans (SSP), these will be sent out by email from Monday 9 February. If you have any comments or amendments you feel are needed on your child's targets and progress, please share them through the following ways below:

- 1) Email the relevant SENCo with your comments to add directly on to your child's support plan. Rachel Carruthers for Nursery, Reception and Years 4-6, rachel.carruthers@belleville.q1e.org.uk or Fiona Allan for Years 1-3, fiona.allan@belleville.q1e.org.uk
- 2) Attend a SENCo drop in session online between 10am and 12 noon on Wednesday 11th February – links will be sent via School Spider.
- 3) Share your comments at parents' evening by booking a slot on 11 or 12 February.

House Points

Our winning house for Spring Term 1 is **Wakehurst House**. Congratulations, you have won a **non-uniform day** on **Friday 13 February**. The House points will be reset for Spring 2. Well done to everyone who has received House Points for demonstrating our CARE and Excellent Learner values!



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



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Football Team Update

On Saturday 26th January, Belleville proudly took part in a regional football tournament. Having secured their place by winning the Wandsworth tournament, the boys arrived full of excitement and determination for the challenge ahead. Across five hard-fought matches, the boys produced some excellent football. Belleville finished with an impressive record of two wins, two losses and one draw. Notably, the team that went on to win the overall competition was beaten by Belleville, highlighting the quality, resilience and potential within the squad.

Every player represented the school superbly, both on and off the pitch, and should be extremely proud of their efforts and behaviour. A big thank you to Belleville parents Bruno and Chris, whose organisation and encouragement helped make the day such a success.



Then last Thursday, it was another exciting day for Belleville as the boys took part in a football tournament hosted by Chelsea Football Club. In the tense start, the boys settled into the match and went on to score two well-worked goals, securing an excellent 2-0 victory. Confidence grew in game two, which saw Belleville produce a dominant performance and claim a convincing 4-0 win. This was followed by a nail-biting 1-1 draw, meaning Belleville had to win their final group game to qualify. The last group match was incredibly close, but with just two minutes remaining, Belleville showed real determination and composure, scoring two late goals to clinch the win and top the group in emphatic fashion.



Although Belleville were unfortunately knocked out in the semi-finals by a well-drilled side, the team left the tournament with their heads held high. It was a fantastic day, filled with teamwork, resilience and unforgettable moments.

Art Update

Following on from drawing shoes last term, Year 5 have become designers, sculpting their shoe designs with clay. They were very excited to paint and decorate the shoes with wonderful results.





Year 6 Update

Year 6 have continued to impress with their deep thinking and enthusiasm for a challenge. Some highlights of the last few weeks are as follows:

In Science, to enrich their learning about the Circulatory System, the children dissected lamb's hearts. The children's questioning and understanding of what they observed was very impressive as they identified the blood vessels present, the impact of fat on the function of the heart and the importance of valves within the heart.



To further enrich their History learning about Migration, the children went to the Black Cultural Archives in Brixton this week to develop their understanding of the Windrush generation. It was brilliant to see the children engaging so intently on the artefacts that they were investigating. Our Year 6 learners are very inquisitive indeed!

The children thoroughly enjoyed their Computing unit this half term, where they programmed Sphero RVR+ robots to complete a range of tasks. Problem solving skills were key to this as they learnt to debug their code.



Their English learning this half term has been based upon the Graphic Novel *The Arrival* by Shaun Tan. Using this book as inspiration, the children have written several pieces: a letter, developing their ability to change the register of their writing; our favourite, a persuasive advert, where the children tried to convince someone to visit their fictional city; and they are starting to write a narrative, focusing on building tension.

We are constantly looking to further enrich the children's learning so, if you have any skills/knowledge that you think would link to our curriculum, please contact a member of the Year 6 team.

Belleville PTA – Valentine's Bake Sale

Our Valentine's Bake Sale is on **Friday 13 February at 3.15pm** at both sites. To make it a success, we need your help with tasty treats! Please drop off cakes, biscuits, or goodies (baked or bought!) at the school offices on the morning of 13 February. Please label any dairy or gluten free options clearly. No nuts, please. All contributions, big or small, are hugely appreciated. We also still need more volunteers to help on the day. If you can help, please join this [WhatsApp group](#). Thank you for your support.