



Belleville News

16 September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I had the pleasure of leading the school's INSET day for all staff on 2nd September and I wanted to share with you how impressed I was (and have been since) by the absolute commitment the staff have to continually improving themselves as teachers and staff members in order to provide the very best education for your children.

It is a high-quality staff body who do 'whatever it takes' to give your children the best possible education, and of course it is my job to ensure they continue to receive high quality training, opportunities, and resources so they can continue to develop and constantly improve the provision that your children receive. I left the training days feeling very excited and impressed by the talent and potential of the Belleville staff.

I am looking forward to meeting parents at the forthcoming PTA coffee mornings (details below) and we will shortly let you know the dates for some more forums where we can meet each other and where I will spend some time outlining the aims for Belleville in the coming months and years.

John Budden

Executive Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Bank Holiday for State Funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II – School closed all day – Monday 19 September. Return to school on Tues 20 Sept.

Reception Start of Year Parent/Carer Information Meeting on zoom – Tuesday 20 September, 3.45pm. The zoom link will be sent on the morning of the meeting.

Q1E Trust Maths Parent/Carer Workshop on zoom – Wednesday 21 September at 1.30pm and 5.30pm (further details on next page).

Second Hand Uniform Event – Webb's Road and Meteor Street – Thursday 22 September – 8.40am until the end of drop off 9.10am

PTA Welcome Coffee morning – Webb's Road – Friday 23 September, 9am

PTA Welcome Coffee Morning – Meteor Street – Monday 26 September, 9am

Wandsworth Test – For those Year 6 pupils who have registered to take the Wandsworth Test, it will take place in school on Thursday 29 September.

Early Reading and Writing Phonics Workshop on zoom for Nursery, Reception and new starters in Years 1 & 2 – Tuesday 11 October at 1.30pm and at 5.00pm

CLUBS UPDATE

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we moved over to the new SchoolsBuddy system. The technical issues with the number of clubs you needed to select to submit your choices has now been resolved.

Many clubs at Webb's Road were over-subscribed (over 3 times the number of requests to places available) and we realise some children were disappointed not to get their choices. We are reviewing the club options and seeing if it is possible to provide more of the more popular options for Autumn 2.

For parents/carers at Meteor Street, due to the additional issues with club providers cancelling at short notice, we will be providing a survey within the next fortnight to improve the offering at Meteor Street for Autumn 2.



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MATHS – NO PROBLEM! ONLINE WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS Wednesday 21 September

All parents and carers are invited to an online workshop (on zoom) on **Wednesday 21 September at 1.30-2.30pm or 5.30-6.30pm** to learn more about how we teach maths at Belleville School as part of the Quality First Education Trust (Q1E)

Led by the Q1E Trust Director of Maths, Karen Taylor, the session will explain our approach to teaching maths, what we need to cover and how we teach it, the structure of our lessons, and how we support your children in their learning.

The session is suitable for all parents/carers with children in Reception to Year 6 and **you can choose either session time depending on which is more convenient for you.**

The zoom links for the workshops are given below:

1.30-2.30pm Session

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86974149755?pwd=RVk0aS9lRkY4cmI0VlVDNlU2N3pwZz09>

Meeting ID: 869 7414 9755
Passcode: MathsPM219

5.30-6.30pm Session

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87226874662?pwd=YzRTN0p1VE03L3pmM2lVTOx2ZDlTz09>

Meeting ID: 872 2687 4662
Passcode: MathsEv219

We look forward to welcoming you to one of the sessions.

YEAR 2 – SCIENCE EXPLORERS

To launch Year 2's Science topic this term, the children walked to the Common to hunt for different habits and micro-habitats.

They demonstrated their scientific enquiry skills by observing and recording the habitats that they found.



SECOND-HAND UNIFORM EVENT

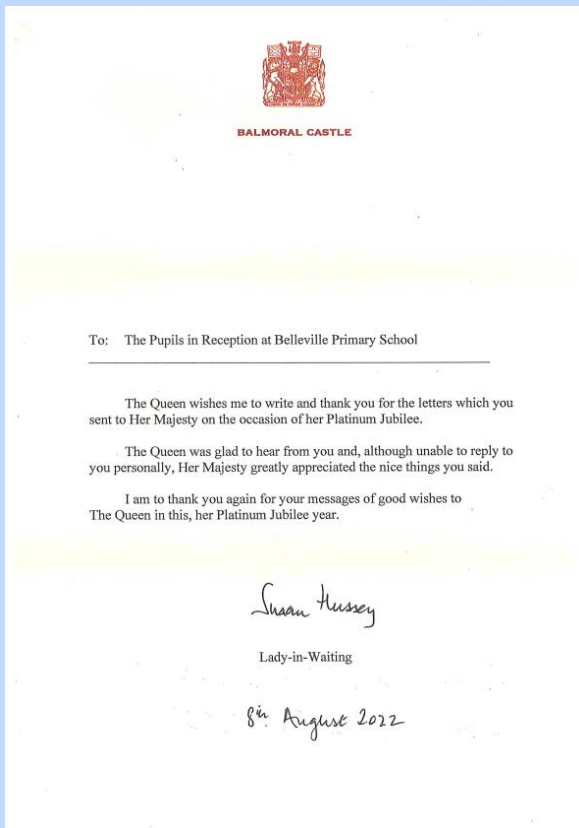
On **Thursday 22 September** at morning drop off – **8.40am – 9.10am** there will be an opportunity to pick up any second-hand uniform you may need at both Meteor Street (large playground) and Webb's Road (top playground). The uniform is provided for free, but please donate to support our affiliate school in Ghana if you are able to do so.



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HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

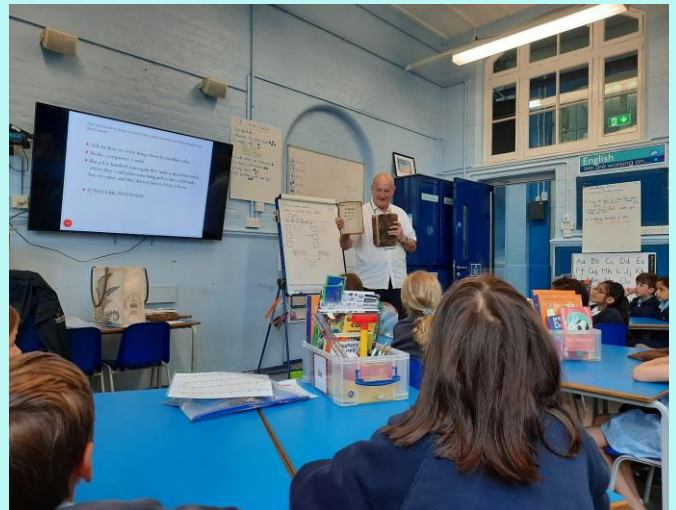
As our country prepares for the State Funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Monday 19 September, our former Reception (now Year 1) classes received a letter over the summer holidays which now feels even more special.



YEAR 3 VISITED BY TOM GATELY FOR OUR R.E. TOPIC ON CHRISTIANITY

Year 3 were very excited to welcome Tom Gately into class this week. Mr Gately spoke to the children about the Bible, its history, and why it is important to Christians as part of our RE topic on Christianity.

He also told us some of his favourite stories from the Bible. What a wonderful way to start the year!



Our first priority is to ensure all children and adults are safe.

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



If you are worried about something ...
If you are worried about someone else....



You can talk to
ANYONE who works
for the school

Safeguarding is the
responsibility of **EVERYONE**





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COFFEE MORNINGS

The PTA are kindly hosting two coffee mornings on **Friday 23 September** at **Webb's Road** top playground from 9am and **Monday 26 September** at **Meteor Street** from 9am.



Everyone is welcome.

The coffee mornings will provide an opportunity to meet your PTA reps and other parents/carers in your year group and find out about their events and fundraising plans and how you can get involved.

Further information about the PTA is available at www.bellevillepta.org

WELCOME TO NURSERY

We have been delighted with the way our new nursery children have settled into the nursery routines.

They have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a variety of experiences including hunting for bears, mark making in sand and glitter and role playing in the home corner - as well as meeting their new teachers and making lots of new friends.



SCHOOL TERM DATES

Autumn Term

First day of term: Monday 5 September
Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 21 October
Autumn Half Term holiday: Monday 24 – Friday 28 October
First day of Autumn 2: Monday 31 October
Last day of Autumn 2: Friday 16 December

Spring Term

First day of Spring 1: Wednesday 4 January
Last day of Spring 1: Friday 10 February
Spring Half Term Holiday: Monday 13 – Friday 17 February
First day of Spring 2: Monday 20 February
Last day of Spring 2: Friday 31 March

Summer Term

INSET DAY: Monday 17 April – school closed to children
First day of Summer 1: Tuesday 18 April
Bank Holiday: Monday 1 May – school closed to children
Last day of Summer 1: Friday 26 May
Summer half term: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June
INSET DAY: Monday 5 June - school closed to children
First day of Summer 2: Tuesday 6 June
Last day of Summer 2: Friday 21 July

