



Belleville News

19 January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We were delighted to welcome Marsha de Cordova, MP for Battersea, to Belleville today. Marsha toured the school and spoke with some of our children and she was hugely impressed by how engaged and eloquent our children were, both when they talked about the school and when they talked about their learning in the classroom. These are valuable experiences, and we want all of our children to have the skills and confidence to be able to have a successful conversation, as it is such an important social skill. It was lovely to have Marsha visit us today and the children did themselves and the school proud.

John Budden
Executive Headteacher

Mary-Lyne Latour
Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Open Classrooms at 2.40pm: Reception – Tues 23 Jan, Year 3 - Mon 22 Jan, Year 4 - Fri 26 Jan, Year 6 - Weds 24 Jan.

Wandsworth Autism Advisory Service - Coffee morning for parents of children with an autism diagnosis or those who are on the pathway.

Wednesday 31 January, 9.10am, Webb's Road. Please [sign up here](#) and email enquiries@belleville.q1e.org.uk to confirm attendance.

School Orchestra performance at the Mayor's Gala, The Civic Suite, Wandsworth High Street, SW18 2PU - Tuesday 6 February, 7 pm

Tickets are £6 for adults and £2.50 for children and [available here](#).

Parents'/Carers' Evenings – Reception to Year 6 - Wednesday 7 and Thursday 8 February. Nursery - Monday 5 to Thursday 8 February.

Bookings will open on Friday 26 January at 5pm.

Closing date for Nursery applications for September 2024 entry - Friday 9 February 2024. Please download the Nursery [application form here](#) and return directly to the school office.

Preloved Uniform and Skiwear sale

Belleville PTA will be holding pre-loved uniform and skiwear sales. These will take place on **Friday 28 January at Webb's Road** with the uniform sale from 8.40-9am and skiwear from 3.10-4pm, and on **Friday 2 February at Meteor Street**, 3.10-4pm, uniform and skiwear.

Donations of the following clothing in **clean and good condition** gratefully received: Belleville logo fleeces and jumpers age 8+. Ski jackets & trousers, all in one suits, ski gloves, goggles, and hats.

No Christmas jumpers or other uniform donations please!

Webb's: Donations to playground under shed at drop off and pick up. Meteor: Donations into the bag at the office. Thank you.

Club Fees

A reminder that Club fees for SchoolBuddy clubs for Spring 1 are now due. Payment can be [made here](#). Please pay the fees promptly. Thank you.

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Open Classrooms

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have come along to our Open Classroom sessions this week. We hope that you enjoyed the sessions. The remaining dates for the Spring term are below:

Reception – Tues 23 Jan, Year 3 - Mon 22 Jan, Year 4 - Fri 26 Jan and Year 6 - Weds 24 Jan

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to look through some of your child's work and to celebrate their achievements from Autumn term. Please note, this is not a time for a catch-up with the class teacher as there will be a parents'/carers' evening in February. The gates will open at 2.40pm and you will be directed to your child's classroom. After 30 minutes, your child's teacher will ask you to leave so that the children can pack away. Children will be collected at the usual time from the playground.

To accommodate more parents' busy schedules, our Open Classroom event in the Summer term will take place at the start of the school day. We understand that many parents/carers may not be able to attend due to other commitments. To avoid disappointment, please can you let your child know in advance if you are unable to attend.

Year 2 Visit to the Florence Nightingale Museum

As part of our History unit about Life Changers, Year 2 visited the Florence Nightingale Museum this week. The children met Florence and learnt about her early life, how she changed nursing during the Crimean war and her legacy. They also had the opportunity to explore the museum and dress up as nurses from the past and from the present day. Year 2 are now very excited to learn about more historical figures who have changed people's lives for the better.



Year 1 Update

Year 1 children have had an excellent start to the term and have been very busy already! This week, they welcomed parents and carers into their classrooms and performed their class poem and shared some work they are proud of.

The children have been learning about how to care for the planet. In English, they wrote informative letters to Greenpeace about gorillas, an endangered animal. In science, children have been predicting how long rubbish lasts and learning about the impact this has on the planet. In maths, children have been sorting shapes, making patterns and have been using classroom objects to measure length. Finally, as part of their Christianity topic in RE, they are going on a local trip to visit a church and to find out how Christians worship.





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Year 5 and Year 6 Indoor Athletics Tournament

A group of our Year 5 and Year 6 children took part in an indoor Athletics tournament at Tooting Leisure Centre earlier this week. They were very enthusiastic and showed excellent teamwork in the many different relay races and obstacle courses. Fantastic efforts were also demonstrated in the individual field events. We enjoyed placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in most of our races.



Free Tickets for AFC Wimbledon Women's Matches

We are pleased to be able to offer Belleville families free tickets to watch two matches by AFC Wimbledon Women's team at Cherry Red Records Stadium, Plough Lane, London SW17 0NR. These tickets are subject to availability, and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

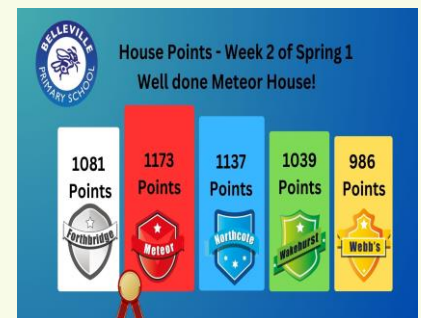
Game 1 - Sunday 21 January v Charlton Athletics u21s. Kick off at 2pm. [Apply for free tickets here.](#)

Game 2 - Sunday 4 February - v Cambridge United. Kick off at 2pm. [Apply for free tickets here.](#)



Our number one priority is to ensure that 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.



Spring Term 2024

Last day of Spring 1: Friday 9 February
Spring half term: Monday 12 – Friday 16 February
First day of Spring 2: Monday 19 February
Last day of Spring 2: Thursday 28 March

Term dates for 2024/25 are [on our website.](#)

Summer Term 2024

INSET day: Mon 15 April – school closed to children.
First day of Summer 1: Tuesday 16 April
Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May – school closed.
Last day of Summer 1: Friday 24 May
Summer half term: Monday 27 – Friday 31 May
First day of Summer 2: Monday 3 June
Last day of Summer 2: Wednesday 24 July