



# Belleville News

24 March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are eagerly anticipating some of our Year 4 and many of our Year 6 children taking part in the 'A Brighter Sound' concert at the Royal Albert Hall on Tuesday night. It is a wonderful opportunity for the children to perform at one of the most prestigious venues in the world and we know that such experiences are a vital part of a fully rounded education, often providing children with their most enduring memories of school life.

We wish all the performers well (and thank Ms Hughes for all her inspiration and organisation) and look forward to seeing the pictures of the event in next week's newsletter.

**John Budden**

Executive Headteacher

## Dates for your diary:

**Belleville PTA - Places for TCS Mini London Marathon** – Final call for entries for Year 5 and Year 6 places for the TCS Mini London Marathon. To register your interest, please email [hello@bellevillepta.org](mailto:hello@bellevillepta.org)

**Wandsworth Music A Brighter Sound Concert - Royal Albert Hall** - Tuesday 28 March, 7pm (Year 6 and our Year 4 Brass players).

**Belleville PTA Easter Celebrations** - Bake Sale at Webb's Road, Thursday 30 March at pick up, and Easter Scavenger Hunt at Meteor on Friday 31 March at pick up.

**Timings for last day of term - Please note the earlier finish times on Friday 31 March.** Year 1 & 2 - 2.15pm, Years 3 to 6 - 2.20pm, Reception - 2.20pm, Nursery 2.30pm. Children can wear their own clothes to school - no donations needed.

**Inset day:** Monday 17 April – school closed to children.

**First day of Summer 1 term** - Tuesday 18 April.

## Ghana Day



Ghana Day was a great success with children learning about our partner schools in Ghana. Your generous donations raised £516. We would like to extend a special thanks to Elizabeth Nyedige and Debbie Young who work tirelessly for our Ghana schools.

Ramadan Mubarak to everyone observing the holy month of Ramadan.



## Uniform Sale - Thank you!

The uniform sales last week raised £400 for the [DEC Turkey & Syria Earthquake Appeal](#). Thank you to everyone who donated and to Miss Young and our wonderful team of volunteers who ran the sale.

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.



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**ANYONE** who works  
for the school

Safeguarding is the  
responsibility of EVERYONE





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## Music – Preparing for the Royal Albert Hall

On Friday, Year 6 had their mass rehearsal delivered by the [Wandsworth Music](#) vocal team at Webb's Road - they sounded amazing, and we can't wait to hear them at the Royal Albert Hall next Tuesday.



On Tuesday, Year 4 had their mass rehearsal with 200 children from other primary schools in Wandsworth, who are also part of the Wandsworth Music instrumental programme, in the Civic Suite in Wandsworth. Year 4 brass players sounded and looked fantastic - we look forward to hearing them play at the Royal Albert Hall too.



## Red Nose Day

The children enjoyed dressing up in red or as Mr Men / Little Miss characters last Friday to raise funds and awareness for [Comic Relief](#). The Red Nose Day donations raised £435.25 for the charity. Thank you for your support.

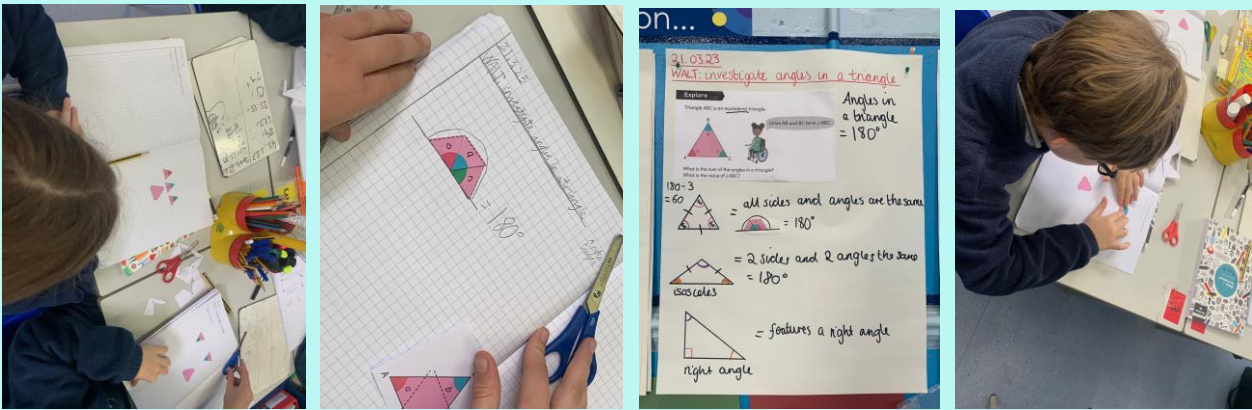






## Year 6

Year Six children have continued to work hard this term. In maths, children have recently pumped up the volume; there have been no triangles of sadness, with children learning how to prove that the internal angles of a triangle add up to 180 degrees (as well as how to calculate its area).



In English, children have continued to read Louis Sachar's modern classic, "Holes". Teachers were impressed with the children's Jay Rayner-inspired restaurant reviews of Camp Green Lake's eatery ("where the real criminals are in the kitchen" as one child noted) and a non-chronological report on the yellow-spotted lizard (in which many children described the grisly details of how its venom works).



In the context of history/ geography, we studied migration from the Caribbean, looking at Baroness Floella Benjamin's experience as a case study; in June, children will have the chance to hear her speaking live on this subject at BFI Southbank. On Tuesday, we had a live Zoom in which a Syrian refugee spoke of his experience of seeking sanctuary. In the land of the Belleville bee, there has been a real buzz in science lessons as children experimented with variables in electrical circuits and their effect on output devices, such as bulbs and motors.

Year Six children have been excited to hear more details about School Journey, with many of them already coming up with (and acting upon) great fundraising ideas. Finally, we would like to thank parents and carers for their continued support and wish you, perhaps a little prematurely, an enjoyable Spring holiday.



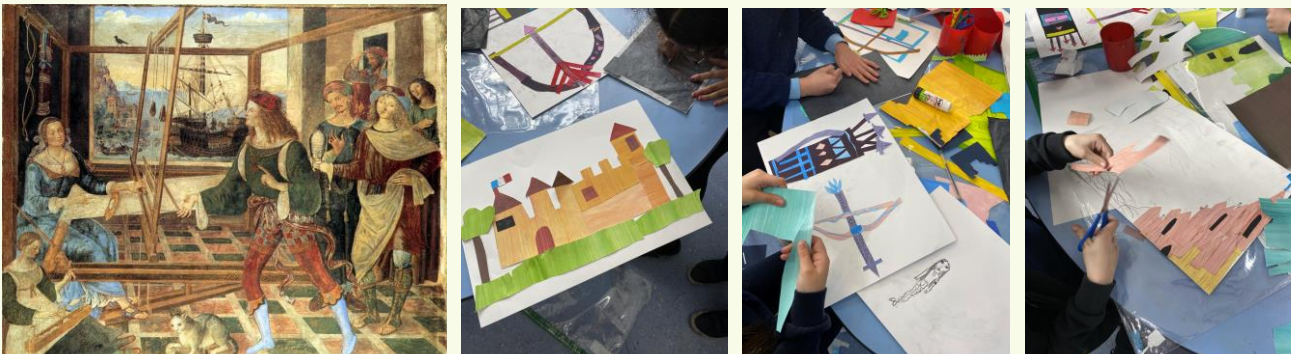
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## Art

Year 6 have been learning about Henry Moore's shelter drawings made during the Blitz to link with their WW2 history topic. The children are making figurative mixed media artworks thinking about how body language can express emotion. They are working from photographs they have taken and have been testing materials and exploring the wax resist techniques used by Henry Moore.

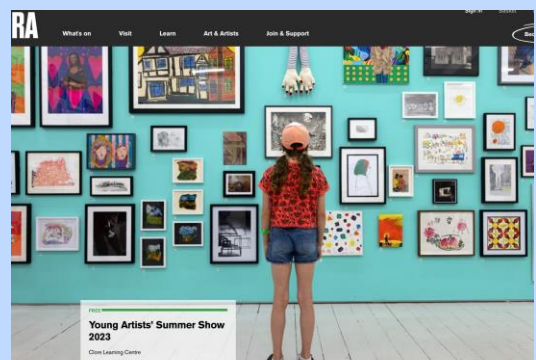


Year 4 are making contemporary collages inspired by what they have noticed in the historical painting 'Penelope with Suitors', painted by [Pintoricchio](#) in 1509. The painting is a scene from Homer's Odyssey but has many clues to other chapters in Odysseus' journey returning from the Trojan War. The children will bring their individual collages together to create larger collaborative artworks using collage and different printing techniques.



## Royal Academy of Arts – Young Artists' Summer Show 2023 – last call for entries.

If your child is interested in submitting any art for the Royal Academy of Arts [Young Artists' Summer Show](#), they will need to bring it into school by Monday 27 March to allow time for it to be submitted before the closing date on Wednesday 29 March.







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## Girls' Football Opportunities

We wanted to let you know about the new **FA Weetabix Wildcats Centre - Girls Only Football Sessions** which will run on Saturdays, 9.30 - 10.30am at Penwortham Primary School, SW16 6RJ.

Weetabix Wildcats is non-competitive football for girls aged 5 – 11 years who want to give it a go or want to play with other girls their own age. The sessions offer a fun and friendly environment, delivered by qualified, experienced coaches. Each session costs £3. For further information, [please click here](#).

For older girls, Wandsworth PSFA and Balham FC Girls are pleased to be launching their girls only development centre alongside their newly launched FA Squad Girls Sessions. The development centre is for girls aged 11-15 who want to further develop their football skills in a friendly environment with experienced coaches. It costs £5 per session. The FA Squad Girls football is a programme created by England Football for girls aged 12-14. It costs £3 per session. For further information, [click here](#).

## Important: Club Fees

Please remember to pay any outstanding fees for Spring 2 clubs as soon as possible through [Schools Buddy](#). Thank you!



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## School Term Dates

### Spring Term 2023

Last day of Spring 2: Friday 31 March

### Summer Term 2023

Inset day: Mon 17 April – school closed to children.

First day of Summer 1: Tuesday 18 April

Bank Holiday: Monday 1 May – school closed.

Bank Holiday for Coronation of King Charles III:

Monday 8 May – school closed.

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

### Autumn Term 2023

Inset Days: Mon 4 & Tues 5 Sept - school closed to children.

First day of Autumn 1: Wednesday 6 September

Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 20 October

Autumn half term: Monday 23 – Friday 27 October

First day of Autumn 2: Monday 30 October

Last day of Autumn 2: Thursday 21 December

### Spring Term 2024

Inset Day: Mon 8 Jan – school closed to children.

First day of Spring 1: Tuesday 9 January

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

### 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

Inset Day: Monday 3 June – school closed to children.

First day of Summer 2: Tuesday 4 June

Last day of Summer 2: Wednesday 24 July