



Belleville News

26 April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

The House system has been a great success since we introduced it in September. All of our reward system in the school - for children demonstrating Excellent Learner attributes and our CARE values - is based around it and we celebrate every week the House that has been awarded the most points.

A next step is, that we now have House colour T-Shirts as part of our school uniform. The children are very proud of their House and this will be another chance to display that during their PE lessons. This change is part of our wider plan for PE and Sport at the school and we will have an exciting announcement soon regarding new PE facilities for next academic year.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing the new PE t-shirts being worn soon.

John Budden
Executive Headteacher

Mary-Lyne Latour
Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Bolingbroke Academy Spring Fair – Saturday 27 April, 12 noon-3pm. Further details [available on their website](#).

Summer Open Classrooms – Dates on the following page.

Nursery Closure – Thursday 2 May – for use as a Polling Station.

Bank Holiday - Monday 6 May – school closed.

School Meals Survey – Please [complete by Friday 17 May](#).

Summer Half Term - Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Belleville PTA Festival of Friendship – Friday 7 June. Webb's Road. Further details at the end of this newsletter.

Secondary School Transfer Evening for Year 4 and 5 Parents/Carers – Monday 10 June, 6pm – 7.30pm, Webb's Road. Further details to follow.

House PE T-Shirts and New Uniform Supplier

We are very excited to announce that you can now [order Belleville PE T-shirts in House colours!](#)



Children can **either wear their existing blue Belleville PE T-Shirt, or a new House T-shirt**, in their House colour. We look forward to seeing the children proudly wearing their House colours in PE lessons!

We are also very pleased to announce that we now have a new uniform supplier – Price & Buckland – and that [uniform is available to order online](#). You can either choose to have your uniform delivered to your home or select free delivery to school.





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Summer Open Classrooms

We are excited to announce our second round of Open Classroom events this academic year. Please find dates and timings for your diary below:

Reception: Wednesday 1 May, 9.10am – 9.30am

Year 1: Friday 10 May, 9am – 9.20am

Year 2: Wednesday 8 May, 9am–9.20am

Year 3: Friday 3 May, 9am – 9.20am

Year 4: Monday 29 April, 9am – 9.20am

Year 5: Tuesday 30 April, 9am – 9.20am

Year 6: Monday 20 May, 9am – 9.20am

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to look through some of your child's work with them and to celebrate their achievements from this academic year. Please note, this is not a time for a catch-up with the class teacher. On the day, you will be invited into your child's classroom at 9am. After 20 minutes, your child's teacher will ask parents/carers to leave so that the children can begin their lessons. To avoid disappointment, please let your child know if you are unable to attend.

Science Poster Competition

Very well done to all the winners of Belleville's Science Week poster competition, which was announced last Friday during achievement assembly. Winners received their science certificate and a special science prize. The judges were very impressed with the children's creativity, science knowledge and how well they linked their ideas to the theme "time". Well done to all the children who entered the competition too, it was fabulous to see so much effort across all year groups!



Eco-Council – Earth Day

To mark Earth Day earlier this week, members of our Eco-Council have been busy planting seeds.



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Nursery Update

This half term, Nursery are boldly going where no Nursery children have been before... Space! The children have transformed into astronauts and explored outer space using our small world rocket ships and planets. They have developed their creativity skills by moulding the Moon out of salt dough and constructing their own mini lunar landers from a variety of resources.

In Maths, they have practised their number recognition to 5 by building corresponding rockets out of cubes. This week, in Literacy, the children have continued with their phonics programme with the 'O' sound. They made an octopus to represent this sound, and which can also be used to revise the sounds learnt so far. We also invited some of the parents to join our Nursery sessions by sharing their own story books with the children.



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**

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.

Measles cases are rising

Is your child fully protected?

Your child needs two doses of the MMR vaccine to be fully vaccinated against measles, mumps and rubella.

To book an appointment at a community clinic, call 020 8487 1730

 Search HRCH Children's Immunisations for more information



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Year 1 Zoolab visit

In Science, Year 1 were extremely excited to welcome [ZooLab](#) into school on Tuesday. The children were introduced to a range of insects, reptiles, and amphibians. The children were very brave and many touched and held the animals including a friendly corn snake and a giant African land snail!



Year 3 and 4 Rugby Festival

A group of our Year 3 and 4 children attended a rugby festival at Rosslyn Park on Wednesday.

They enjoyed a fun day of games which helped to develop their rugby skills, knowledge and understanding of the game.



Instrumental Music Lessons

At Belleville, we are very proud that all children in Year 4 can learn an orchestral instrument and play in a musical ensemble, funded with kind support from Belleville PTA, and delivered by [Wandsworth Music](#).

Children from Year 4 upwards can also start individual paid music lessons with tutors from Wandsworth Music. All children wishing to continue their instrument are given the opportunity and support to do so, including significantly reduced lesson prices and bursaries for those receiving pupil premium funding. Tuition is currently offered in Violin, Viola, Cello, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Baritone, French Horn, Trumpet and Trombone on both sites.

To find out more or to sign your child up for lessons, [please visit our website](#). The deadline to apply for new lessons starting from September is **Friday 24 May 2024**.



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Festival of Friendship – Friday 7 June

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to be part of this new and exciting event. We are delighted that members of our school community have offered to host a table or food stand for the following countries and cultures so far:

Australia, Brazil, China, Greece, Hungary, India, Italy, Jewish culture, Malaysia, Nigeria, New Zealand, Türkiye, South Africa, and Venezuela.

We'd love many other nationalities and cultures that are part of our community to join this celebration. Could you share what you love about the country or culture you choose to represent?

It could be sharing how holidays are celebrated, which languages are spoken and how they are written, examples of traditional food, dress, or artwork, or perhaps you would like to celebrate a famous sportsperson or musician. If you'd like to host a table, please email hello@bellevillepta.org

We would also be grateful for volunteers to help at the event to help make this a bigger, more engaging experience for the children. It could be giving an hour of your time to help with hosting the non-alcoholic bar, the kids crafting/colouring area, the fruit/snack area, or the story corner. If you can help at all, please do get in touch via hello@bellevillepta.org. Thank you.

AFC Wimbledon Women

Our friends at AFC Wimbledon Women are your 2023/24 FAWNL Division One South East Champions and they'd like to offer children free tickets for when they lift the trophy at Plough Lane on **Sunday 5 May**.

There will be a party atmosphere at the Cherry Red Records Stadium with great football on display as they take on the Actonians. There are plenty of activities for children in the Fan Zone and a wide range of food and drink available on site. After the game, there will be the chance to meet all the players for photos and autographs.

What: AFC Wimbledon Women v Actonians.

When: Sunday 5 May. Gates open from 12.30pm. Kick off at 2pm.

Where: Cherry Red Record Stadium, Plough Lane, SW17 0NR

Tickets free for u18s and £5 for adults. To book your tickets, please [visit their website](#).

Term Dates

Summer Term 2024

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

Autumn Term 2024

INSET Days: Mon 2 and Tues 3 Sept - school closed to children.
First day of Autumn 1: Wednesday 4 September
Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 25 October
Autumn half term: Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November
INSET Day: Monday 4 November – school closed to children.
First day of Autumn 2: Tuesday 5 November
Last day of Autumn 2: Friday 20 December

Full term dates for 2024/25 academic year are [on our website](#).