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23 October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see so many of you at our Parents' Evening and to hear how well-settled and happy your children are with their new teachers. Thank you also to those who have shared constructive feedback regarding various aspects of the school and our procedures; your insights are invaluable in helping us continuously refine and improve our offer.

Our girls' and boys' football teams in Years 5 and 6, along with the pupils who represented us at the pentathlon, acquitted themselves admirably this week. They rightfully upheld Belleville's reputation as a school with a rich, inclusive sporting tradition.

A cause very close to my heart is our support for the Royal British Legion. We have been selling poppies at the end of each school day across both sites and will continue to accept electronic and cash payments during the week after half-term. Before we hold our observance on 11th November, we will be helping the children understand the significance and importance of this act of remembrance and respect.

I wish you all a happy and restful half-term break and thank you for all your support and dedication across our school community.

Warm regards,

Toby Martlew
Executive Headteacher

Mary-Lyne Latour
Headteacher

Christmas Performances

Nursery (including Mon-Weds part time places) - Tuesday 8 December, 2.30pm
Nursery (including Weds-Fri part time places) – Wednesday 9 December, 2.30pm

Reception Nativity Plays
RC – Monday 7 December, 9.45am, Lower Hall, Webb's Road
RH – Monday 7 December, 2.15pm, Lower Hall, Webb's Road
RF – Tuesday 8 December, 9.45am, Lower Hall, Webb's Road
RMC – Wednesday 9 December, 9.45am, Hall, Meteor Street
RPT – Wednesday 9 December, 2.15pm, Hall, Meteor Street

Year 1 – Friday 11 December, 2pm, St Michael's Church
Year 2 – Friday 11 December, 10.30am, St Michael's Church
Year 3 – Monday 14 December, 2.15pm, St Michael's Church
Year 4 – Thursday 3 December, 10.45am, St Michael's Church
Year 5 – Thursday 10 December, 10.45am, St Michael's Church
Year 6 – Thursday 10 December, 2.15pm, St Michael's Church

St Michael's Wandsworth Common is located at Cobham Close, London, SW11 6SP

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Important Dates

Half Term Holidays - Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October.
Inset Day - Monday 2 November – school closed to children.
First day of Autumn Term 2 - Tuesday 3 November.
Belleville Open Days for Prospective Parents – Wednesday 4 and Thursday 5 November, from 9.15am.
Parent Workshops: How we teach maths – Thursday 5 November, 2pm and 6pm, Webb's Road. Open to all year groups. Sign up via form sent by School Spider.
Belleville PTA Festive Wreath Making – Saturday 14 November, 11.30am-1.30pm, 2.30-4.30pm, Webb's.
Year 5 Residential – Monday 23 – Friday 27 November. 5CN, 5P, 5T (Mon-Weds), 5LN, 5S (Weds-Fri).
Q1E Trust CEO Listening Events – Monday 23 November, Meteor Street and Monday 30 November, Webb's Road, after morning drop off. Further details to follow.
Belleville Choir at Northcote Road Light Switch On - Friday 27 November, 4pm. Details to follow.
Belleville PTA Winter Fair and Christmas Tree Sale – Saturday 5 December. Webb's Road.
Last day of Autumn Term 2 - Friday 18 December.
Inset Day - Monday 4 January – school closed to children.
First day of Spring Term 1 - Tuesday 5 January.
Closing Date for Reception Applications for September 2027 - Friday 15 January.
Closing Date for Nursery Applications for September 2027 – Friday 5 February.
Year 6 Singing Project at the Royal Albert Hall – Tuesday 23 March, 7pm. Details to follow.

Full term dates for the academic year are available on our website.

Photography

If you follow our Instagram page, you may have noticed some differences to our photos from the beginning of this academic year. Due to changes to safeguarding recommendations around the photography of children from September, we will no longer be showing face-on images of children. Images will either be taken from the side, or behind, or with the child's face partially covered. Any children shown are children who also have photography permission from their parents/carers. If you wish to change your child's current photography permissions – to either allow or not allow photos – please email the school office.

If you are volunteering for a school trip or helping at a school event, **please do not take photographs of the children and circulate them on your class WhatsApp groups or by other means.** There are children throughout the school who do not have photography permission and images should not be shared in this way. Thank you for your support and understanding in helping to keep the children safe.

SEND Resources

The Family Information Service has resources available for families with children with SEND. You can also join Belleville's SEND parent-run WhatsApp group.

Follow us on social: @belleville_school @belleville-primary-school

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Panathlon Event

A huge well done to all the Year 3 and 4 children who took part in the Panathlon event at Southfields Academy!

They were absolutely amazing, throwing, curling and jumping their way through a brilliant tournament. They showed fantastic determination, teamwork and enthusiasm, giving their very best in every event.

The children represented our school brilliantly and should feel very proud of their achievements. Well done to all our Year 3 and 4 competitors, you did yourselves and our school extremely proud!

Year 6 Boys' Football Tournament

A huge well done to our Year 6 boys, who battled through extreme weather conditions to represent our school at the AFC Wimbledon tournament at Trinity Fields!

Despite the challenging conditions, the boys put in an excellent performance, working brilliantly together as a team. They moved the ball with pace and precision, showing fantastic teamwork and scored some outstanding goals along the way.

Open Mornings

Our open mornings for families looking for a place at Belleville will take place on **Wednesday 4 and Thursday 5 November**, from 9.15am. If you know of any families looking for a school place, or if you are considering Belleville for your child's sibling and would like a tour, please sign up here.

If you can help us at the open mornings, we would be grateful for a few more volunteers at both sites. Please sign up here. We will send you briefing notes after half term. Thank you.

No Toys in School

After half term, children will no longer be allowed to bring toys into school. This includes beyblades, soft toys and trading cards. We understand that children may enjoy bringing in a favourite toy, but we ask for your support in keeping toys at home.

This will help to reduce distractions, prevent toys from being lost or damaged, and ensure that all children have equal opportunities for play with the resources provided by the school.

There are a range of activities and resources for children to play with at school such as games, building blocks, books, football and cricket. We appreciate your understanding and support.

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Nursery Update

The Nursery children have had a fantastic start to the year! We've been so impressed with how quickly they've settled into their new environment and routines, making lots of new friends and growing in confidence along the way.

Our autumn topic, **Ourselves**, has been full of fun and exciting discoveries. The children loved looking at themselves in the mirror and exploring their unique features before creating their own self-portraits. They then brought these to life using clay, carefully adding lots of lovely details with special tools.

We've also been focusing on developing the children's listening skills, getting them ready for phonics in the spring. The children became sound explorers as they went on a sound hunt around the school, wearing their special listening ears to help them tune in to all the different sounds around them.

One of the biggest highlights this term has been our much-loved story, *We're Going on a Bear Hunt!* The children had so much fun creating their own Bear Hunt adventure, complete with "swishy swashy" grass and "squishy, squashy" mud. There was lots of excitement as they brought the story to life and joined in with all the familiar sounds and actions!

And of course, we couldn't miss out on a little cooking! The children enjoyed rolling and cutting out gingerbread dough to make their own bear-shaped biscuits, before decorating them with icing and sweet treats. A delicious way to get creative!

We're so proud of how well the children have settled into Nursery and embraced all the new experiences this term. It's been lovely to see their confidence grow, friendships blossom and curiosity shine through. We can't wait for more fun and learning as we start our next topic, **Celebrations**, after half term!

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Wellbeing Support

The Education Wellbeing Service offers free parent webinars across the year to help support your child's wellbeing and mental health. You can sign up for their webinars here: **Early Years**, **Primary.**

They also have an online parent/carer group to help **Understand and Support your child's sleep.** The group will focus on helping parents and caregivers of children aged 3-8 years old. The group consists of 4 sessions starting on Friday 13 November at 12.30-1.30pm via Microsoft Teams. If you are interested in finding out more, please visit their website.

Belleville Alumni

Many of our children go onto Bolingbroke Academy for their secondary education and you may have seen some of our former pupils out and about in the area as part of Bolingbroke PA's Enterprise initiaitive, teaching Entrepreneurship skills. Please support them if you can.

Two of our former pupils have been cleaning up our local area. You can support them here.

Belleville PTA

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A few tickets are remaining for our **Festive Wreath Making Workshop** on **Saturday 14 November** at Webb's Road.

The workshop will be led by Anna Paley-Smith, a Belleville parent and owner of the luxury floristry studio FLORIA. She will guide you through crafting a stunning festive wreath. For £60 per person including all materials, this is an amazing opportunity to learn from a professional. You'll leave with a beautiful handmade wreath, all while supporting the school! Only 25 places per session: 11.30am-1.30pm or 2.30pm to 4.30pm. **Book your tickets here.**

Build Your Dream Home LEGO competition.
One of the PTAs long-standing supporters, local estate agent Rampton Baseley is running a creative LEGO building competition for pupils aged 3 - 11. Build the Lego house, garden, treehouse, or dream space you'd love to live in and upload a minimum of three photos of it.

The top prize is £200 worth of Lego! The closing date is **Monday 2 November** so this may be the perfect activity for a wet and windy half term day! **You can enter here.**

The next key date for your diary is our **Belleville PTA Winter Fair and Christmas Tree Sale** on **Saturday 5 December** at Webb's Road.

Wishing you all a happy half term break!