



Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday night, our Year 6 children performed at The Royal Albert Hall as part of the Wandsworth Brighter Sounds concert. To see and hear them being part of the mass Wandsworth primary school choir was wonderful to behold. Not only did they get the opportunity to perform at a world famous venue, they also witnessed a series of outstanding performances by older children in the Wandsworth music pathway that will provide them with inspiration for what their musical future could hold. It was a wonderful event and it provided the children with a memory for life.

We hope everyone has an enjoyable Easter break and we look forward to seeing the children back at normal time on Wednesday 23rd April.

John Budden
Executive Headteacher

Mary-Lyne Latour Headteacher

Dates for your diary:

Inset Day: Tuesday 22 April. School closed to children.

First day of Summer Term 1: Wednesday 23 April.

Belleville PTA Auction of Promises – Friday 16 May, 7pm, Civic Suite, Wandsworth. Final tickets via the <u>PTA website</u>.

Year 5 and Year 6 Sports Day – Wednesday 4 June, morning. Tooting Bec Athletics Track.

Belleville PTA Quiz Night – Friday 6 June. Meteor Street, Further details to follow via PTA website.

Year 4 and Year 5 Secondary Transfer Event – Monday 9 June, 6 – 7.30pm. Webb's Road. Further details to follow.

Belleville PTA Summer Fair – Saturday 5 July, Webb's Road.

Premises Team

We would like to say a massive thank you to Ernest Pinahang, our supply Premises Officer at Meteor Street, who will be leaving us at the end of the school Easter holidays.

We welcome Bekim Beqiri to our Premises Team from the summer term. He will be working with Baki Gashi across both our Belleville school sites.

Parent Gym

Would you be interested our Parent Gym parenting course if it ran on **Tuesday afternoons**, **4.30-6.30pm?** If you are interested, please complete this <u>short form</u> by Tuesday 22 April.





Work with Us

We are looking for a receptionist/ administrator to join our busy and friendly office team. The role is varied, consisting of supporting the school with all administrative tasks and reception duties, welcoming visitors and liaising with all members of the local community.

To find out more and apply, please <u>visit</u> <u>our website</u>. The closing date for applications is **Tuesday 22 April** at noon. Interviews w/c 28th April.

Year 6 Rock the Royal Albert Hall

Many congratulations to our Year 6 children who performed at the Royal Albert Hall on Monday as part of the Wandsworth Music Brighter Sounds concert. Your singing was amazing, and you should be very proud of yourselves!



Ghana Day

Last Friday we celebrated Ghana Day to raise awareness and funds for our partner schools in Sanka, Ghana. The children dressed up in the colours of Ghana's flag.

Special thanks to Elizabeth Nyedige and Debbie Young who work so hard to help raise funds for the schools, including through our preloved uniform sales.









Primary Maths Challenge

The Primary Maths Challenge is a national competition designed to challenge and inspire young mathematicians around the country. It began with a tough first round in November, where pupils tackled complex problem-solving questions. The highest scorers then qualified for the even more demanding bonus round.

This year, four of our mathematicians entered the prestigious final round in February. Many congratulations to the three boys pictured who won gold (centre), silver (right) and bronze (left) and to Audrey who won silver. Their outstanding performance in this national competition places them among the most talented young mathematicians in the country. We are incredibly proud of their achievement!







Online Safety

The internet is a fantastic resource for learning and entertainment, but it's important to keep children safe while they explore online. Here are some key tips for parents and carers:

- Set Parental Controls Use filters to block inappropriate content and manage screen time.
- ♦ Talk Openly Encourage children to share their online experiences and discuss any concerns.
- Stay Involved Know which websites, apps, and games your child is using.
- Teach Privacy Remind children not to share personal information online.
- Check Settings Ensure accounts and games have the highest privacy settings enabled.

For more guidance, please see guides for <u>Youtube</u> and <u>Tiktok</u>. Let's work together to create a safe online space for our children!

House Captains' Speeches

At the end of each half term, our Year 6 House Captains give a short speech in assembly before that term's winning house is announced. Here are some of the speeches from Spring Term 2.

'Today I wanted to talk about the excellent learner values, focusing more on the listen well value. I just wanted to say that you should always try your hardest to listen well in lessons and also listen well to your classmates to try and hear everyone's opinion when the time is appropriate. And remember, some of the most intelligent people on this planet listened well when they were younger, and put everything they heard into their work.' Arthur – Northcote House

'You can be disappointed that roses have thorns or grateful that thorn bushes have roses. This suggests that with a different perspective you can turn a negative situation into a positive.' Elliott - Northcote House

'I want to take a moment to acknowledge the hard work and dedication each of you has shown in earning house points. Your efforts in every subject are commendable and I encourage you to continue striving for excellence. Each house point you earn contributes to our collective success, and if your house wins, you can take pride in your contributions. For those who may not have earned as many points yet, I urge you not to lose heart. Reslience is a vital skill that will serve you well throughout your life. Remember the story of Thomas Edison, who famously failed over 2,500 times before successfully inventing the light bulb. His perseverance is a testament to the power of optimism and determinatin. Let us all adopt that mindset as we work together to accumulate house points.' Penelope - Wakehurst House

'Today, I want to share with you a quote about taking risks. "You miss 100% of the shots that you don't take." It tells us that trying something new could be really good. If you're scared of heights, then you get the chance to go rock climbing, you could face your fears and really enjoy it. Always remember that even if you're anxious at first, you can still have lots of fun trying something new. Even if you don't enjoy it, when you do something that you were scared of before, it is such a good feeling. Thank you for all your effort this half term and thank you for listening.' Zoe – Webb's House





Year 3 Design Technology

As part of their Design Technology day, Year 3 have been building greenhouses ahead of their plants topic next term.







For Year 6 families who would like to order a recording of their performance at the Royal Albert Hall, the DVD or digital download will be available from early May. It will cost £15 (+ P&P for the DVD version). To pre-order your copy, visit this website.

Last week, a group of five children from 4SP and 6T participated in the annual **Swimathon**, the national fundraising pool swimming event. Their team, Aqua Kids, swam 1.5km (60 laps) in a team relay style. The children showed great swimming and sportsmanship skills while raising £650 for Cancer Research UK, thanks to the support of their friends and families. Well done!



Belleville PTA

Auction of Promises, your help please!



We invite you to offer a promise – it can be anything! Could you cater a dinner party, host a cookery class, offer gardening services, car washing, music lessons, or tickets to a music, theatre or sporting event? You can also approach family, friends, or business contacts to help. The more promises we secure, the more we can raise for our school.

Don't worry if you don't have all the information - it's the promise that counts. To donate a Promise please <u>use this link</u> or pick up a form from the school office and pop it in the PTA box or email it to promisesauction@gmail.com

Our number one priority is to ensure that all children and adults are safe. If you are worried about something or if you are worried about someone else, you can talk to ANYONE who works for the school.

Safeguarding is the responsibility of EVERYONE. Childline: 0800 1111

Term Dates

Summer Term 2025

Inset Day: Tuesday 22 April – school closed to children

First day of Summer 1: Wednesday 23 April Bank holiday: Monday 5 May – school closed

Last day of Summer 1: Friday 23 May

Summer half term: Monday 26 to Friday 30 May

First day of Summer 2: Monday 2 June Last day of Summer 2: Tuesday 22 July

Autumn Term 2025

Inset Days: Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 September First day of Autumn 1: Wednesday 3 September

Last day of Autumn 1: Friday 24 October

Autumn half term: Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October

Inset Day: Monday 3 November

First day of Autumn 2: Tuesday 4 November Last day of Autumn 2: Friday 19 December

Full term dates for 2025-26 academic year are on our website.