

Friday 25th March 2022

Points to note:

Last day of term – Friday Ist April, non-uniform day (no donation needed) with earlier finish times of:

 \circ Years I – 3: 2.15pm ○ Years 4 – 6: 2.20pm Reception: 2.25pm Nursery: 2.30pm

Children's first day back is Wednesday 20th April at the usual times

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a special week this week with all of the school meals now being served in halls on both sites and this morning we had our first full concert since the pandemic began. The Year 6 children did themselves proud in their singing concert and we had some very happy and proud faces in the audience of family, friends and fans who came to watch an excellent performance and our first in that style for over two years!

The children at Webb's and Meteor have returned to the halls very well after a few reminders of where to stack your plates! We are fine-tuning logistics and timings at Webb's Road to ensure that children can eat their lunch without being rushed, have playtime outside without over-crowding in the playgrounds and also not having lunches overrun into the afternoon lessons.

Unfortunately, at the moment, this means that not all year groups can have packed lunches and school meals eating together in the hall at the same time at Webb's Road. When large numbers of packed lunch children are already sitting in seats in the hall, the school meals children cannot sit down once they have been served their lunch, service slows down (or stops until seats become free) and children are standing in queues for too long. We have had many different ways over the years to organise lunchtimes, particularly at Webb's, and our senior staff and ourselves are hands-on with supporting lunches every day so that we can make adjustments as and when we can to achieve a positive lunchtime experience for the children. We look forward to seeing many of you at the PTA quiz night this evening and wish you all a relaxing weekend.

With best wishes,

Mary-Lyne Latour (Headteacher Infants) and Sarah Atherton (Headteacher Juniors)

Covid Health Advice

The main symptoms are a recent onset of a new continuous cough, high temperature or loss of/change in sense of smell or taste. If your child has any of these symptoms, you should get a PCR test. You are advised to keep them at home and avoid contact with other people whilst waiting for the test result.

Other symptoms linked with COVID-19 include shortness of breath, fatigue, loss of appetite, muscle ache, sore throat, headache, stuffy or runny nose, diarrhoea, nausea and vomiting. Any of these symptoms may also have another cause. Remember - if your child is unwell, for any reason, they should not come to school until they recover.

It is still advised that your child self-isolates for 10 days if they have COVID-19. You may choose to give them a Lateral Flow Device test from 5 days after the symptoms started (or the day the test was taken if they did not have symptoms), followed by another test the next day. If both these test results are negative, and your child does not have a high temperature, the risk that they are still infectious is much lower and they can safely return to their normal routine.

The full guidance is linked **HERE**. When there are outbreaks in school, we consult with the health agencies who may give additional specific advice on further measures to put in place. We will inform you as and when this happens.



Year 5 Science Report





In Year 5, we have been learning about biomimicry.

It is important as animals and plants can teach us how to use harmless materials for inventions which is better for the planet. For example, gecko's hair and burrs have helped astronauts, birds have taught cargo planes to fly in a 'v' shape to use less fuel, copying deer antlers can help us make stronger structures and butterflies have improved our use of solar power.

It was really interesting and it has given us hope for the future!

by 5LH





Last Chance for Science Week Poster Competition

Did you forget to hand in your 'Growth' themed poster today?

Don't worry, just bring it on Monday (don't forget to write your name and class on the back!)



Celebrating Heritage



Danel in Year 2 came proudly dressed in national costume of Kazakhstan to celebrate Nauryz this week.

Nauryz is a very important holiday for Kazakhs, which marks the beginning of a new year. It is celebrated over several days starting from 21st of March, the day of the spring equinox.

Nauryz means 'new day', it is celebrated in the Great Steppes from

ancient times.

Follow us on . . .



Our new Instagram account has launched this week – take a look using:

belleville school



Wimbledon in the Community Netball Festival

The Year 5 and Year 6 girls really enjoyed themselves today at the netball festival in the sunshine. The day was about having fun, learning more about netball and gaining confidence. Everyone tried a different position each game to help us in both attack and in defence, with many goals scored in each game. We were very proud to receive our certificates and medals. Even more thrilling were the well-earned cookies and chips to finish the day!

Written by: Annabelle (Y6), Isabel (Y6) and Belinda (Y5)

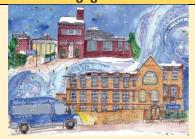






Tours for Current Parents and Carers

School Improvement Priorities: Communication and Engagement



If you would like to come and see the school during the school day, we will be holding small tours on the following dates, all starting at 9am.

Please contact <u>enquiries@bellevilleschool.org</u> if you would like to book a place!

Infants

(Nursery to Year 2)

Webb's Road

Thursday 31st March

<u>Juniors</u>

(Year 3 to Year 6)

Meteor:

Thursday 31st March

Minibus drivers needed!

School Improvement Priorities: Communication and Engagement

We have two fantastic PTA funded minibuses that we would like to use more for school trips and events – could you volunteer to drive?

You don't need to commit to many days or have a special driving licence or a DBS check as a member of staff will always accompany you, just the willingness!

We also offer a test drive session with Mr Gashi before your first trip to familiarise yourself with the bus.

Contact us on enquiries@bellevilleschool.org if you are interested.



TERM DATES 2021-2022

Spring Term 2022

Last day of Spring 2 term: Friday 1st April – finishing an hour earlier than usual

Years I - 3: 2.15pm
 Years 4 - 6: 2.20pm
 Reception: 2.25pm
 Nursery: 2.30pm

Summer Term 2022

Inset Day: Tuesday 19th April – school closed to children

First day of Summer I term: Wednesday 20th April

Bank holiday: Monday 2nd May – school closed to children

Local Elections: Thursday 5th May – Nursery closed (Nursery used as a Polling station)

Last day of Summer I term: Friday 27th May

Spring half term holiday: Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June

First day of Summer 2 term: Monday 6th June

Last day of Summer 2 term: Thursday 21st July – finishing an hour earlier than usual



TERM DATES 2022-2023

Autumn Term 2022

Inset Days: Thursday I st - Friday 2nd September - school closed to children

First day of Autumn I term: Monday 5th September Last day of Autumn I term: Friday 21st October

Autumn half term holiday: Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October

First day of Autumn 2 term: Monday 31st October Last day of Autumn 2 term: Friday 16th December

Spring Term 2023

Inset Day: Tuesday 3rd January – school closed to children

First day of Spring I term: Wednesday 4th January Last day of Spring I term: Friday 10th February

Spring half term holiday: Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February

First day of Spring 2 term: Monday 20th February Last day of Spring 2 term: Friday 31st March

Summer Term 2023

Inset Day: Monday 17th April – school closed to children

First day of Summer I term: Tuesday 18th April

Bank holiday: Monday Ist May – school closed to children

Last day of Summer I term: Friday 26th May

Spring half term holiday: Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June Inset Day: Monday 5th June – school closed to children

First day of Summer 2 term: Tuesday 6th June Last day of Summer 2 term: Friday 21st July

