

News

Friday 4th December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Contributing to charities at Christmas time

In previous years at our Christmas concerts, we have collected donations to support different charities often totalling over £2000 in cash.

Although we won't be gathering together in the same ways this year, our commitment to support others in the festive season has not changed and we would like as a school to support a variety of local and national charities.

As always, we are very thankful for any contributions made, no matter how big or small, and for parents and carers to contribute if they can.

Christmas cards

If your child wants to share Christmas cards with their friends please bring these into school by Friday 11th December and we will distribute them in the following week.

Best wishes,

Sarah Atherton (Headteachers Juniors)

Mary-Lyne Latour (Headteachers Infants)

Wandsworth and Lambeth Food Banks Tin Tower Challenge



This year the school council have decided to support the Wandsworth and Lambeth food banks by taking part in the **Tin Tower Challenge** to raise stock for families within our local community.

We are asking each child, who has the means to do so, to bring in a tin of food from home. The school council will then collect contributions and transform them into a work of art! Children may bring in any donations by **Monday 14**th **December.** We ask that you donate only non-perishable tinned goods.

Save The Children



Wednesday 9th December is children's Christmas lunch.

To add some extra cheer on the day, children may come to school wearing their brightest, cheeriest jumper, a jumper they already own or even more impressively, decorate an existing jumper – a string of tinsel can go a long way!

We ask for a small donation of £2 or more to go towards the **Save the Children** charity.





Waste Not Want Not Battersea is a local charity set up in 2017 by a local resident, Hadas Hagos to reduce surplus produce from New Covent Market ending up in the landfill. She began regular collections of fresh fruit and vegetables and other surplus items and distributed them across the borough. When first lockdown took place she set herself up at three locations and handed out bags of produce to any families in need. Deliveries to local people self-isolating or vulnerable also took place. A chef from Tate Britain who was furloughed then joined the team and began making hot takeaway meals for families.

St. Michael's church have very kindly offered their kitchen to work out from and Waste Not Want Not now also provide weekly meals to families within 3 of our local schools, including Belleville. They are now fundraising to cover the cost of operations, and to hire dedicated staff to coordinate food sharing and deliveries. They are very grateful for any support and donations. https://www.wastenotwantnot-battersea.org

Thank you to the many parents that have already donated via the website.

Katherine Low Settlement



Belleville have worked with the Katherine Low Settlement for a few years now. They are a local charity at the heart of the community in Battersea. With a few staff and a lot of volunteers, they support children, young people and their families, older people, women and refugees and newly-arrived communities.

During the pandemic the support has been even more vital and they have continued to help families via online clubs, one-to-one phone calls and home visits.

With the funding received from supporters and volunteers they will continue to reduce poverty and isolation and bring Battersea together.

Please support if you can: https://www.klsettlement.org.uk/