

# Belleville Newsletter



## July 5th

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Please remember to keep informing us about cases of Chickenpox, Measles and Shingles within your family.

## HONEYPOT EVENT

The array of staff talent on show at the Honeypot charity event was hugely enjoyed by all; an astonishing **£5035.00** was raised.

Thank you to the staff who helped and performed and all the parents and carers who supported, cheered and heckled and dug deep to raise this amazing sum for the children and families in our school who need it the most.

## YEAR 6 SCHOOL JOURNEY

100 children had an incredible week last week in Hayling Island, including a number who were helped to be there through the Honeypot charity.

This is just one of the many highlights of the Year 6 year. Climbing, archery, dancing, campfires, team-building, buggy-building, abseiling and so much more packed into a memorable week.

Thank you to all the staff who went with them and to the children who made us very proud of the way they represented themselves and the school during the week.

## MUNGA

Last week a group of Year 5 children represented Chile at the Model United Nations General Assembly event at Wandsworth Town Hall. They presented and debated on the theme of 'Should everyone be vegetarian?'. They learned a huge amount from the process and presented their case very articulately. Thank you to Mr Greene for leading on this.

We seem to have arrived in July and all the end of term excitement and events are coming thick and fast. We thank you in advance for all you do to support the children and the school at this busy time of year. There is so much happening and you can get a taste of things through Twitter, so do follow us @bellevillesch

### Coming into School

We are looking very much to having more informal sharing opportunities in all year groups for parents/carers to come into school to see what your children are doing across the curriculum.

Our Year 3 classes have loved presenting their weather projects and reports to family and friends as a sharing session at the end of the school day during the last weeks. These have been fantastic opportunities for the children to show off their learning in a different way – thank you to the Year 3 team, Mr Lynch and the children for some impressive work!

### ParentMail

Thank you for your patience and support with our new communication system and for helping us overcome the teething problems. Please do download the *ParentMail* App which is the easiest way to manage this system. We will build on its usages and functions over the coming months. Do continue to let us know if there are any specific issues and we will look into these.

### Parent/Carer Survey

We will soon send out our annual parent / carer survey and thank you in advance for completing this. Everything that is written is read by Headteachers in order to inform our priorities for the coming year. You can complete it via our website or by a separate link, which will be provided. If you need help or would rather complete a hard copy, please do come and speak with someone in the school office.

We will also ask the children to complete pupil surveys again this term. Our children are very open and honest and have seen how their comments have really been listened to and acted upon this year, which has been very powerful.

### Year 4 Meeting for Parents/Carers

This week Year 4 parents came to new information sessions to hear about all that lies ahead in Year 5 and 6 including residential visits and the preparation for secondary school for both parents, carers and children.

### Parents' / Carers' Evening: Thursday 18th July, 4.00-9.00pm

With a few parents / carers not yet accessing the *ParentMail* system, we will continue with the sign-up sheets for hopefully the last time. Please speak with your child's teacher from Monday 15th July to sign up.

Headteachers, Deputy Headteachers, the SEN team and all the specialist teachers for PE, music, art, French are all available to speak with you, so please do make an appointment with the office if there is someone in particular you would like to see.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the Summer Fair tomorrow and Sports Days next week and hope this weather holds for all our many upcoming outdoor events!

Sarah Atherton      Mary-Lyne Latour      Jane Ford

## EVENTS

### PTA Summer Fair

Excitement is building for our fabulous 'Saving the Planet' fair this Saturday and we look forward to another wonderful event on **Saturday 6th July 12.00 noon – 3.00pm**. Thank you in advance to everyone in the PTA for all the work to make this such a success.

The auditions for *Belleville's Got Talent* were incredible again this year. What a talented school we are. We look forward to the final on the big day!

### Sports Days

We are all excited for our Sports Days on Clapham Common and hopefully fine weather next week. The PE team has sent all the information to your phases. We look forward to seeing many of you. Please check your child's team colour and ensure they are wearing the right colour on their day:

Monday 8th July, Nursery at 1.30pm and **Reception and Years 1 and 2** at 2.00pm

Tuesday 9th July, **Years 3 and 4** at 10.00am - 12.00 noon and **Years 5 and 6** from 1.00 - 3.00pm

### Music Concerts

Thursday 11th July, **Year 4** Instrumental, 2.30pm top playground, Webb's

Thursday 11th & 18th July, **Years 5 and 6** Peripatetic & Orchestra Concert 4.00-5.00pm Middle Hall, Webb's

Tuesday 16th July, **Year 1** Singing, 2.30pm top playground, Webb's

Thursday 18th July, **Year 3** Recorder, 2.00pm top playground, Webb's

### Year 6 End of year performances

Monday 22nd July, 2.00pm (predominantly for families with children) or 7.00pm (predominantly for adults) Webb's lower hall

## PUPIL LEAVERS

We know we would like you all to stay until your child leaves at the natural point of Year 6, but are aware that life does not always allow for this to happen for various reasons.

If you know your family is leaving the area or your child is leaving us to go to another school, **you do need to complete a Leavers Form** that are available in the school offices.

Every year we have some 'surprise' leavers, which is difficult on a number of levels; classes, teachers and children like to say goodbye and we as a school need to ensure places are all filled for September. Starting on the first day of term is far preferable for any new child coming to us and knowing where our places are allows us to complete inductions before the summer holidays which benefits the whole class.

## SCHOOL LUNCH TASTING SESSIONS

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the recent parent / carer tasting sessions arranged by Harrisons and for your very useful feedback.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL AND MARSHA DE CORDOVA MP

Our School Council from Y3-6 met our MP and were incredibly impressive with their questioning ranging from voting systems, her inspirations and achievements, dealing with disability.

She informed and inspired the council to take action on the local issues that they felt passionate about and talked through some great local projects that we can get involved with.

Marsha enjoyed a tour of Webb's Road too and was impressed by all she saw.

We hope to welcome her back soon!



## CITIZENSHIP PROJECT

All year groups are getting their teeth into some topical and local issues.

Visitors from 'Medecin sans Frontiers' and 'Amnesty International' among others, have come into school to talk with different classes in the last few days about emergency aid and human rights and refugees. The quality of the children's questioning and interest in everything our visitors had to say has been very impressive. We are looking forward to seeing you soon for our Citizenship sharing in the playgrounds on **Wednesday 17th July from 3.00pm**.

## VACANCIES: MIDDAY ASSISTANTS & PREMISES ASSISTANT

We are looking for **Midday Assistants** to work either 12.00 – 1.30pm or 12.30 – 2.00pm. Please see the advertisement on our website or in school for further details.

We will be looking to recruit a **Premises Assistant** to work at Belleville across the sites from September. If you know someone who would be interested, do please encourage them to apply. Details will be on our website very soon.

## BOOK FAIR

Many thanks to everyone on both sites for supporting the Book Fair so well in really dreadful weather conditions! The total value of the books sold was £1.659 and the school will receive **£995.43** to be spent on books for our children.

## END OF TERM

We finish on **Tuesday 23rd July at 2.30pm**. Do please collect your child promptly at this time. Children may wear their own clothes to school on this day if they wish.

Information about next year regarding teachers, leavers and new staff will be sent home, as usual, on the Friday before we break up for the summer holidays. Please do note that attendance figures will be calculated right up to the end of term.

All new staff are already well into their induction with us to ensure the best possible start for all in September.

## SPORTING SUCCESS

### Cricket Champions

After getting through to the Surrey County Cricket final, both our boys and girls teams were excited that the rained off date was rearranged this week at Epsom College to face the best schools in London. The girls were magnificent and won every game and came away champions! Our boys finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the group and played the final for the Plate Final and won all three games so also came away with some very hard-earned silverware.

Huge congratulations to our teams for their perseverance and team spirit which shone through.

### Running in Battersea Park

Battersea Park was the venue for a huge running participation event. Ms Ogunyemi and Ms Wilson took over 45 of our Year 5 and 6 children to join the hundreds of others in walking, running and skipping the 2km course. A hugely enjoyable and successful day for all!