

PTA NEWSLETTER

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Christmas Fair

Yes, its that time of year! All the children's favourite stalls will be back in the Webb's Rd playground for this year's Christmas Fair: from Santa's Grotto to the ever popular glowstick stand to new seasonal additions such as Pin the Nose on Rudolph. There will be plenty of treats: pizzas, crepes, hot chocolate, cakes, sweets and mulled wine for the parents. Please help your class reps make your class stand a success.

Donations needed

Before the fair: we need clean teddies for the teddy tombola and new/nearly new toys for the kids tombola. Please drop them off in the school office.

On the day of the fair: we'd love donations of pizzas, crepes and cakes. Please bring them to the playground at Webb's.



Meet your PTA

We are delighted to announce that the PTA now has a fully staffed team. Firstly, we welcome **Alan Davis** as the new PTA co-chair alongside **Paloma Belaunde**. We now have two new treasurers: **Stephanie Reitzel Gray** and **Pablo Orvananos**. We have also recruited 6 new trustees: **Katrina Green, Amelia Davidson, Rosie Ogle, Raquel Oliveira, Mikaela Bancroft** and **Taikwan Chin Wright** to the Trustee committee. **Suzanne Imre** and **Bryony Gordon** are our Newsletter editors and **Swathee Sankar** will be managing the PTA theatre tickets. Thank you all for getting involved and welcome on board!

Christmas Trees for sale

Buy your tree this **Sunday 9th December** between 9.30am and 12.30pm, and help raise money for the school - 25% of all sales will go to the PTA. Plus, the trees are non-drop in a variety of shapes and sizes, from tiny to huge. *And* card payments are available for the first time. What's not to love? A big thank you to **Lou Succar** and her team for the running of the event.



Drop-off chat with Paloma Belaunde, co-chair of the PTA

How long have you been a Belleville parent?

- I've been a parent here for nine years and 3 months.

What's the biggest PTA achievement since you've been involved?

- Our best event was the Auction of Promises in 2010 which raised £30K in one night and led to the purchase of the mini buses. Its high time we did another one!

Favourite thing about the school?

- The fabulous parents and sense of community.

How do you survive the Christmas holidays?

- Long walks, long naps and long lunches!

Christmas Raffle

This year we have over 50 incredible prizes including: an X-Box One S 1TB, donated by our sponsors **Battersea and Wandsworth Chiropractors** (a big thank you to them); an Amadillo Husk weave rug by RB12; supper for 8 at Tierra Verde; an iRobot vacuum cleaner and many, many more goodies. Tickets will be in your children's book bags from **Friday 7th December**. Please support the raffle and buy as many tickets as you can - sell tickets to friends, family and neighbours. More tickets are available from the school office.

As soon as you receive your tickets:

- *Fill out the ticket stub with your name/contact details
- *Detach the stubs from the ticket and put them in an envelope with the correct payment (tickets without payment will not be entered into the draw)
- *Drop tickets in the green PTA boxes at Webb's/Meteor.

The draw will take place at the Christmas Fair on Friday 14th December in the playground at Webb's at 4:30pm. The list of winners will be circulated via Classlist and the class reps by Saturday 15th December. All prizes must be claimed and collected by Friday 21st December 2018. The PTA will not be liable for any prizes claimed after this date.

Christmas Wreaths workshops

Our annual Christmas wreath making workshops on **Friday 7th, Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th Dec** have proved as popular as ever and are now full up. If you can't make the date, please let Sophie know on: sophieward73@hotmail.co.uk.

Will the real Father Christmas step forward?

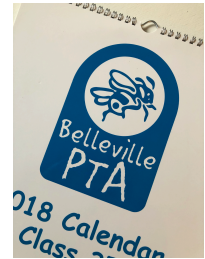
Thank you to volunteers Nick Parsons, Peter McNamara and Jess Tigar who will be dressing up as Father Christmas on **Tuesday 18th Dec** to visit the children at both sites between 11:30am and 1:30pm.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST...



DID YOU KNOW? You can help raise money for the PTA every time you shop online. All you have to do is go to the Easy Fundraising Page (www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and search for 'Belleville School PTA - Wandsworth'. There's no catch or hidden charges and when you have raised £5 in donations, Easy Fundraising will match it. Last year, a whopping £1,750 was raised.

CALENDARS 2019 We would like to thank our new sponsors **Côte Brasseries** and **LDN Finance** for stepping in to cover the cost of producing the 2019 calendars. The calendars will cost £10 for the first child and £5 for any other sibling. Only 30 have been printed per class so we have to restrict purchases to 1 per family. The calendars will go on sale w/c 10th December via your class reps in the playground.



FILM NIGHT A big thank you to **Naomi Bennett** for organising two Film Nights in October. The evening raised over £1,700 thanks to the sponsorship by **SellMyHome.co.uk**. Film Nights will be back in the spring term on 8th and 15th March 2019.

COAT APPEAL Thank you so much to everyone who donated a coat to support London Calling and Chesterton's who are collecting warm coats for Londoners in need this winter. The target was 30 and you donated a whopping 120 coats. Brilliant!



QUIZ NIGHT What a result! A huge thank you to **Simi and Matt Treanor, Nicola and Tom Quinn and John Campbell** for all their hard work running this hugely popular event for 4 years in a row. This year's event raised an amazing £3,800 (versus £2,300 last year). If you would like to volunteer to run next year's quiz, please get in touch with the PTA.

THANK YOU AND MERRY CHRISTMAS!