

The Belmont Bulletin

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A great start!

It has been a great start to the academic year. I have walked around both schools on various occasions and am impressed with the positive attitudes and great behaviour for learning. The children all understand the need for routines and systems and are doing their best to meet the expectations. See below these for each school – staff use the language of these rules when talking to children, feel free to use it too.

Music

We are pleased that across the schools, and particularly at Belmont Juniors, we are able to offer a rich music provision. Kate teaches music in blocks from Nursery to Year 6 using an immersive approach that incorporates singing, percussion and performance. This term Year 4 had an additional creative day with Kate linking music to history learning on the Romans which really inspired their writing.

In Year 4 we also provide a 30-week programme of whole-class instrumental teaching (WCIT) which involves lessons by specially trained teachers from Haringey Music Service in violin and guitar. This is funded by the school / Belmont Families. After the 30-week whole-class programme, parents / young musicians have the option to continue learning in years 5 and 6 at a small cost. Many children choose to continue with the strings or play other instruments – we also offer piano and woodwind lessons. You can sign up here: <https://haringey.eepos.fi/#/splash> (Juniors only)

The Junior school has been recognised for its music provision by achieving the Music Mark (see below) which acknowledges 'accessible and excellent musical learning and engagement'. Thanks you to Claire for helping us gain this award.

Giant vegetables!

Last week artist Katherine from 'The School Artist' see [School Art Workshops | London, UK](#), worked across the Juniors making giant fruit to decorate the dining hall. Every child in the school helped and were so excited to see the finished results displayed!

Thanks to Belmont Families for helping fund artists and other visitors to the school. And a reminder to please pay towards this too by giving a contribution towards visits and visitors for the year.

Good luck

This is the last newsletter before Jack Larkin, who has been covering maternity leave, leaves Belmont (on Friday 3rd October). It has been great having Jack as part of the Belmont team and we wish him all the best. Jack has really enjoyed working in the school with all your lovely children and the amazing community.

Welcome back

And that means we welcome Mia back to the team: she is returning on Monday 6th October to teach Year 5 Lotus Class. Mia has spent some time in school this month meeting the children and getting on top of the curriculum so we know it will be a smooth transition for all.

Clubs

Gala and Sheri have an immense job trying to sort out who will be attending each club based on previous attendance, number of requests, preference, waiting lists and so on; it is *extremely* challenging to organise. There is often twice as many children than we have spaces for in each club!

This year we've had numerous parents complain that their child wasn't given a particular choice or then said they don't want the space after all. Do think carefully about choices as it has a knock on affect if you cancel. Please note that you cannot not rely on enrichment clubs as childcare - you need to sort this separately.

Trips

Children have started going on trips which we really value as a school as they add so much to learning. We are so lucky to live in London and to have free public transport (for children) to all the amazing museums, galleries and parks.

We rely on parental help on these days but a reminder that safeguarding rules apply. We ask all helpers to sign a pledge / code of conduct which is really important to abide by. Part of this is agreeing not to use phones while with the children – to make a call or to take photos of your child or other children. Staff feel awkward reminding parents once on the trip and have been told '*the parents of x say I can*'. This isn't an option – please don't use phones on school trips, be present and responsible for your group.



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MARK

MUSIC MARK of
recognition 
FOR SCHOOLS 2025 - 2026

for *Dedication & Improvement*
in music education

By accepting the Music Mark of Recognition, this school pledges to:

- Advocate for the importance of music education in the curriculum and creative life of our school
- Provide an equitable, diverse and inclusive music education for every young person
- Welcome opportunities to broaden our musical horizons by working with providers in our community and

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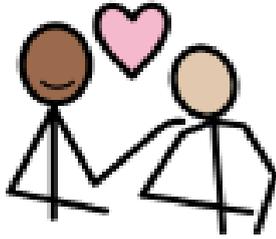


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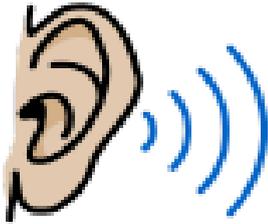
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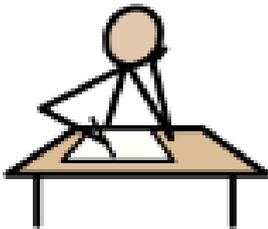
Our Golden Rules



We are kind and helpful



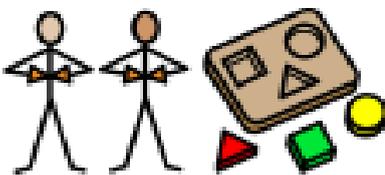
We listen to each other



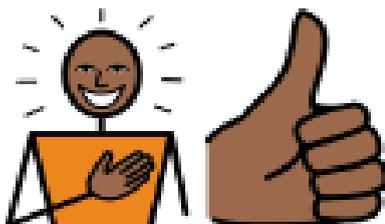
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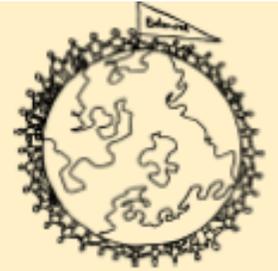
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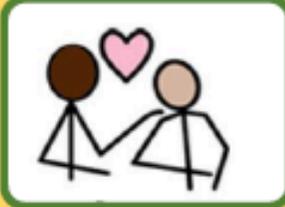
We look after things at school



We set a good example



The Belmont Way



Be kind



Follow instructions



Try your best!



Belmont Families

CREATIVE HAIR DAY

Friday 3rd October



Have fun and come to school with your hair

CREATIVELY STYLED!

Please donate £1 or more if you can. Cash and card will be accepted. All money raised will help pay for school trips and enrichment activities.

Autumn 2025: Dates for your diary

September									
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Friday 26th	Parent tours for new Reception parents 2026 – check the website for more dates	✓							
Friday 26 th	Y5&6 Boys football tournament - Haringey							✓	✓
Tues 30 th @ 9am	Reception parents coffee morning – do pop in!		✓						
October									
Black History Month									
Weds 1 st @ 9am	Language and communication – workshop for parents OF Nursery and Reception children	✓	✓	✓					
Thursday 2 nd @ 9am	Baby group – anyone with young children welcome	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Thursday 2 nd @ 7pm	Belmont Families PTA AGM	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Friday 3 rd EXTENDED	Deadline for Y6 play leader applications								✓
Friday 3 rd	Creative Hair Day	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monday 6 th	Welcome back Mia!							✓	
Monday 6 th am	Y1 Snowdrop to Alexandra Palace outdoor learning			✓					
Tuesday 7 th pm	Y1 Tulip to Alexandra Palace outdoor learning			✓					
Tuesday 7 th @ 9am	Y3 parents coffee morning – do pop in!					✓			
Thursday 9 th @ 9am	Maths in Y1 and Y2, workshop for parents with Steph (Maths lead)			✓	✓				
Friday 10 th	Y6 Natural History Museum trip								✓
Monday 13 th	Science Museum trip						✓		
Wednesday 15 th	Y3 to Woodbury Wetlands trip					✓			
Wednesday day 15 th @ 9.15am CHANGE OF DATE	Y2 Butterfly Class Assembly				✓				
Friday 17 th @ 7pm	PTA Quiz night	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monday 20 th	'Storie Storie' interactive storyteller on site	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Thursday 23 rd	Black History celebration	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Thursday 23 rd	Steel pan workshops all day					✓	✓	✓	✓
Weds 23 rd	Governor Meeting								
Half term 27 th – 31 st October									
November									
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3 rd to 7 th	Food bank collection all week	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tuesday 2nd	Phonics workshop for parents		✓	✓	✓				
Thursday 6 th	Outdoor Classroom Day	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Thursday 6 th @ 9am	Baby group – anyone with young children welcome	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Friday 14th @ 3.30pm	Belmont Families Cake Sale	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
17 th to 21 st	Maths Week England	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tues 18 th @ 3am	Maths games: open classroom for parents	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Thursday 20 th @ 9.05am	Tour of the Juniors for Y2 parents				✓				
Thursday 20 th @ 3pm	Maths games: open classroom for parents								
Monday 24 th	Year 5 music starts							✓	
Tuesday 25 th @ 5pm	Tour of the Juniors for Y2 parents				✓				
Weds 26th	Y4 Lavender to St. Anne's church						✓		
Thurs 27 th	Y4 Bluebell to St. Anne's church						✓		