

Belgrave Newsletter June 2023



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Belgrave,



When it comes to memories that Year 6 recollect in their final term at primary school, residential visits are always key moments. You will see from the sections below how important we value our overnight stays giving the children opportunities to develop their independence, try new things and take them out of their comfort zones developing resilience and perseverance. Three of our four residential visits have already taken place with Year 6 off to London next week.

School Council organised Belgrave's Got Talent on the final day of half term; the standard was very high with comedians, singers, dancers and a magician. Thank you to all of those pupils who auditioned to take part, this event gives children an opportunity to reflect our values of creativity, independence and resilience.

YEAR 5 GREEK DAY

Year 5 enjoyed a Greek Day to end their topic before half term. They had fun dressing up, trying Greek food and making masks.

Year 5 learnt how important the theatre was to the Greeks and how enormous the theatres were.

They even tried some traditional Greek dancing!

YEAR 3 RESIDENTIAL TO DELAMERE

Year 3 enjoyed a night away at Delamere in May. They ventured on a nature walk and created personalised nature walk sticks with their findings. They enjoyed looking closely at

the trees and giving a tree a hug! The children built some fantastic dens and toasted marshmallows around the camp fire whilst singing!







YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL TO THE CONWAY CENTRE

Our Year 5 pupils recently spent two nights and three days at The Conway Centre in Anglesey.



Their action packed activities included:

- Raft building
- Canoeing
- Jumping in the sea
- Climbing
- Team building
- Low ropes
- Zip Wire
- Toasting marshmallows on camp fire
- Nightline













And always a favourite – a visit to the famous souvenir shop!

The children had a fabulous time and were so fortunate with the amazing sunny weather. Each and every one of them overcame a fear / challenge which is one of our pledges at Belgrave.



KING CHARLES III CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

There was a vast range of activities that took place during the lead up to King Charles III's Coronation bank holiday weekend.



Cake baking, making crowns and bunting, King Charles III artwork portraits and a Coronation lunch made by Jo (our amazing cook) - fit for

Staff and pupils wore red, white and blue to mark the special occasion and ice cream Friday started which was a real winner!

NEURO DIVERSITY

Thank you to 1850 Business Solutions Ltd (Claire Davies) for sponsoring the Neurodiversity project we are celebrating next week.



ADHD Foundation The Neurodiversity Charity

NEURODIVERSITY CELEBRATION WEEK

Monday 12th June - Friday 16th June

The Neurodiversity Umbrella Project is a celebration of the 1 in 5 human beings who 'Think Differently' by virtue of their dyslexia, ADHD, dyspraxia, dyscalculia and autism. Umbrellas as an image were chosen by young people as bright, colourful and optimistic symbol of neurodiversity!

Belgrave is supporting this years Umbrella Project to show support to our children and young people whilst highlighting the strengths, creativity and character that being neurodivergent can bring.

At the end of our celebration week children can wear a colourful top to represent the colourful umbrellas that will be on display at school. We will be collecting a minimum £1 donation from those who wish to take part.

ECO VISIT TO WESTMINSTER PARK



Belgrave's amazing Eco Team recently went to Westminster Park to help create a wild flower garden in the Wildlife Conservation Area.

They met volunteers from the Friends of Westminster Park and planted out a variety of wild flower seedlings. They also got to see the different bug hotels, the pond and the dens and paths through the woodlands. The children were totally focused on their activities and the visitors commented on how respectful and enthusiastic



Thank you to Mrs Amner for organising the event and Mrs Tiffin who also loves being outdoors and works closely with Mrs Wilkinson at Forest School.



COMPETITION WINNERS

Congratulations to Alexandra in Reception and Oliver in Year 4 who won £50 Smyths Toys vouchers for their individual Redrow "Fit for a King" competition entries.

We were all very excited to hear what they chose to spend their vouchers on!

Thank you to everyone who took part in the competition as school also receives a £250 voucher for taking part from Redrow.

ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE SCHOOL



Owain in Year 6 plays for the Chester Phoenix U11's basketball team in the Warrington Ball Hall League. In May his team (which also includes Santi in Y6) beat Warrington Wildcats 29-21. Owain won player of the week — well done — this is a fantastic achievement!

Isaac in Year 1 officially became a beaver last month! Well done Isaac – you look super proud and smiley! ©

Elliott in Year 6 has been offered a contract extension at Crewe Alexandra FC where he has been playing football for the last year. Elliott plays in the youth premier league which is the highest level of football available at his age in the country.



Over half term, Crewe Alexandra Academy U11s took part in the Pro Academy Series 2023 in Stevenage.

They beat Chelsea and Liverpool on their way to the semi-

finals, narrowly losing to Italian giants AC Milan. This is a brilliant achievement Elliott!

Jake in Year 2 has recently achieved his SwimStars foundation level 2 certificate. Jake loves telling us all about

his swimming lessons and we are proud that he has achieved this award. Well done Jake! ©



Freddie in Year 5 competed in the British National Age Group competition this weekend and got a gold medal

in Men's Trampoline age 9-10 and also men's DMT (double mini trampoline) age 9-10. This means he is the British National Age Champion for both events. He also has a British record as the youngest to compete a full in half out (piked) on the DMT with a difficulty score of 4.8.

His England kit has also arrived — looking very professional! We are overwhelmed by Freddie's achievements in trampolining — well done Freddie!







SPORTS NEWS IN MAY



The Y5 and 6 cricket team had a great time at the tournament at Boughton Hall.

Ten children from Year 4 went to the Chester Diamond Cricket Festival at Boughton Hall Cricket Club. They had a really fun afternoon playing 4 games. Well done everyone for taking part and enjoying yourselves!

Congratulations to our Yr 4 children who finished fourth out of eleven schools in a doubles tennis tournament at Hoole Tennis Club. They were great ambassadors for Belgrave.



MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNING BOARD

The local governing board met before half term to perform our regular review of the school finances and progress against



projected plans.

We also met with Darran Jones, recently appointed CEO of The Learning Trust, who gave us a preview of the trust strategy for the coming years.

Finally, governors reported on the KS2 SATs preparations and administration.

We would like to take the opportunity to congratulate everyone for all their hard work up to and during the tests, but especially for the steadiness and resilience demonstrated by pupils facing what has been widely acknowledged as a very demanding week for Year 6. Well done everyone!

We hope you all had a nice bank holiday and half-term break. As usual, do not hesitate to contact us via the school office if you are interested in the role of governors.

Our next board meeting is at the end of June.

Belgrave Governing Board

PTA

Pupils loved Break The Rules day which was on the last day of half term. We had juice in water bottles, jewellery, dyed hair and huge teddies brought into school. We will have raised over £300 so thank you for all your donations. Our pupils certainly enjoy this day!

Ice creams continue to be available each Friday after school. If you are able to help selling ice creams then please let Liz Lucas or school know and we can pass on a message.



FIRST AID

Our First Aid system will alert parents by email (not a phone call) if there is a head or facial injury. Not all first aid concerns will be shared with parents, only significant ones. It would not be possible to manage sharing all first aid reports as there are so many bumps and scrapes each day. Parents will be contacted by phone if an injury is serious

enough for hospital treatment. It is important that you keep us updated with any changes to emergency contacts (minimum of two adults) and up to date phone numbers.

AND FINALLY.....

- As we are enjoying some warmer weather, please ensure that your child comes to school with a sun hat, water bottle and sun cream applied in the morning. We cannot apply sun cream to any pupils in school.
- School lunch prices will increase from £2.45 to £2.70 from June. This increase is from our suppliers.
- All SchoolMoney accounts need to be in credit in order to book clubs and lunches. Please keep your account in credit and prepay any bookings.
- Please continue to let us know of any achievements made outside school so that we can share them in our newsletters by emailing to admin@belgrave.cheshire.sch.uk
- Please do not use Class Dojo to message staff. If you need to get in touch then email the school office: admin@belgrave.cheshire.sch.uk who will contact the appropriate person.

Juliette Benton Headteacher



DIARY DATES					
June					
Mon 5 th	Inset Day				
Tue 6 th	Pupils return to school				
Wed 7 th	Year 2 trip to Lady Lever Art Gallery, Port Sunlight				
Thurs 8 th	Tempest Class Photographs				
Mon 12 th	Year 6 residential to London (2 nights)				
Tue 13 th	Reception trip to Imagine That, Liverpool				
Wed 14 th	Year 6 return from residential				
Fri 16 th	Neurodiversity — wear bright clothes — suggested donation of £1				
W/b 19 th	Interfaith Week				
Tue 20 th	Year 1 trip to Lache Library				
Mon 26 th	KS2 Sports Day 1.30pm – 3.00pm				
Wed 28 th	Reserve KS2 Sports Day 1.30pm — 3.00pm				
July					
Mon 3 rd	Rec and KS1 Sports Day 1.30pm — 3.00pm				
Tue 4th	Year 5 day at Catholic High School				
Wed 5 th	Year 4 at Bridgewater Hall with the Halle Orchestra				
Thurs 6 th	Reserve Rec and KS1 Sports Day 1.30pm — 3.00pm				
Wed 12 th	KS2 Performance 1.30pm				
Thurs 13 th	KS2 Performance 5.30pm				
Fri 21st	Last Day of Term — School Closes at 2pm (No Happy Hive after school club)				