

# Belgrave Newsletter May 2024



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Belgrave,



The Summer term is now upon us and we are looking forward to some warmer weather in the coming weeks after a cold month in April – fingers crossed that the warmer weather is on its way.

There has been so much outdoor learning in addition to Forest School, trips and residential visits this term.

Ice Cream Fridays are now up and running – thank you to the PTA for organising this very popular weekly event, and to you all for supporting this each week to raise much needed funds for our pupils. As well as

saving for a library, there has been a workshop planned for the summer term -Rock Kidz where children learn important life lessons in a fun way through high energy rockstar workshops!





YEAR 4 RESIDENTIAL TO TATTENHALL

marshmallows on the camp fire.

The children thoroughly enjoyed their time and Mr Moss, Mrs Halewood, Mrs Tiffin and Mrs Chaplin were delighted with how well behaved, respectful and enthusiastic Year 4 were throughout their trip away.

# **BELGRAVE MANDARIN DUCK**

Our Mandarin duck raced on the River Dee



on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April for the 2024 Duck Race. It was nice to see some children cheering on Belgrave's duck at the river. Thank



you to everyone who supported the event and to Redrow for sponsoring our duck. The event raised £31,200 for The Countess of Chester Hospital Charity.



Year 4 have just enjoyed a night away on their residential in Tattenhall. They had two action packed days taking part in many activities including team building challenges; the bouldering wall; low ropes; orienteering and toasting



### **DEBATING CLUB FOR YEARS 5 AND 6**

Year 5 and 6 have really immersed themselves into the Debating Club run by Queen's Park High School sixth formers. They have debated the use of mobile phones in school, improving how to structure a debate and how to put forward ideas. They also have to research in between sessions each week which Isla in Year 6 agrees helps to keep her organised!

### **ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE SCHOOL**



Following on from the Cheshire County Championships a few weeks ago, Lewis in Year 5 and his hockey team took part in the England Hockey North West U10s finals in Timperley. Winning 4 games and losing just one to the overall winners, Chester Hockey Club were the runners up! Well done Lewis!  $\sum$ 

Charlie (yr3), Logan (yr2), Reggie (yr1) and Lia (Reception) took part in the Foamtastic Colour

Blast run on Sunday 21st April at Chester Racecourse. The race raises money for the Hospice of the Good Shepherd. It was Reggie and Lia's first running race and they did brilliantly! 렀

Harry in Year 6 and his West Cheshire badminton team competed in the Gareth Coppack badminton tournament in Mold at the end of April with 23 teams competing between the ages of 11-17. They won their group winning 3 and losing 1 and in the knockout rounds won their quarter final but lost in the semi final to eventual winners





Christleton. They came 3rd and took home bronze medals. Well done Harry – it's one of my favourite sports hobbies too!  $\infty$ 

#### YEAR 5 GREEK DAY

To end their topic on Ancient Greeks, Year 5 enjoyed a Greek day last week. They tasted some Greek foods, made masks and even did some Greek dancing!



The children made a fantastic effort to dress up as Ancient Greeks and had an action packed and fun-filled day of activities!

#### YEAR 3 TRIP TO NESS GARDENS



Year 3 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Ness Gardens as part of their Science topic this half term. The children enjoyed smelling the wild garlic and mint and identifying



the type of bee Rose found. They also loved

feeling the bark of a giant redwood tree and found out where the forest flame plant got its name before settling down to some quiet sketching. The azaleas were a real favourite of the children and they took some great photos of themselves using Mr Young's very professional camera.





#### **IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM RECEPTION**

Reception have been making some inspirational quote posters.

Miss Hopkins and Mrs Wilkinson are so proud of their ideas. They have participated in a wonderful art process and had lots of opportunities to discuss areas such as self-esteem, confidence and inner beauty.

I'm sure you'll agree they are very important messages for us all.





# MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNING BOARD

The governing board will meet again this month with a focus on policy review and an update on progress in the Annual Development Plan for this academic year. Governors will be in school carrying out link visits for curriculum and SEND. We continue to keep up to date with news of celebrations and events forthcoming this term and transition work planned for September.

If you have any questions then please contact us via the school office. Many thanks, Belgrave Governing Board

## AND FINALLY....

- Please report all pupil absences to the school office absence line **by phone** by 9.15am. Please do NOT use School Spider or ClassDojo to send messages as they are not accessed.
- Please continue to let us know of any achievements made outside school so that we can share them in our newsletters. Please send them by email to admin@belgrave.cheshire.sch.uk
- Please ensure you continue to book ahead for Happy Hive before and after school clubs.

Thank you for your continued support.

Juliette Benton Headteacher



| DIARY DATES            |   |
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|                        |   |
| May                    |   |
| Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>    | Bank Holiday – no school  |
| Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>   | Rearranged Year 4 trip to Liverpool Museum                                |
| Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – | Year 6 SATs   |
| Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> |   |
| Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>   | Year 3 residential visit to Delamere (1 night)                            |
| Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>   | Year 5 residential visit to Conway Centre (2 nights)                      |
| Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>   | Last Day of Half Term   |
| June                   |   |
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>    | Inset Day   |
| Tue 4 <sup>th</sup>    | Pupils return to school   |
| Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Tempest class photographs   |
| Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Rec and KS1 Sports Day 1.30pm – 3.00pm                                    |
| Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>    | Year 2 trip to Jodrell Bank   |
| Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>   | KS2 Sports Day 1.30pm – 3.00pm  |
| Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>   | Year 6 residential to London (2 nights)                                   |
| Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> | Year 4 trip to the Halle Orchestra at Bridgewater Hall                    |
| Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Reserve</b> Rec and KS1 Sports Day 1.30pm – 3.00pm                     |
| Tue 18 <sup>th</sup>   | Reception trip to Imagine That  |
| Tue 18 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Reserve</b> KS2 Sports Day 1.30pm – 3.00pm                             |
| Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> | PTA Summer Social   |
| Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>   | Year 1 trip to West Kirby beach   |
| July                   |   |
| Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>   | KS2 Performance at 1.30pm (More information to follow)                    |
| Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> | KS2 Performance at 5.30pm   |
| Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> | Year 6 Leavers Disco 5.00 – 6.30pm  |
| Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>   | Year 6 Leavers Assembly for parents 2.30pm                                |
| Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | Last Day of Term – School Closes at 2pm (No Happy Hive after school club) |