

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Belgrave,



This will be the final newsletter of this academic year and we say goodbye to our amazing Year 6 class.

We begin transition to new classes this week and last week we met our new Reception children who will be starting in September. The PTA Summer Social was a great success! It's been a busy half term and we still have the KS2 performance of 'What A Knight!' to look forward to as well as Belgrave's Got Talent and Year 6 Leavers' celebrations! Please can you take a few minutes to complete the parental survey via the link which will be sent to you this week. Thank you to parents for all your continued support during this academic year.

## NEW SEATING AREAS AND GRAVEL DONATION



Huge thanks to Mrs Carnie (parent of Eleanor in Year 6) and to Paul, Kev and Mark from Chester Zoo for helping us to receive some amazing logs for the field which are being used as seating areas.

We were also fortunate to receive a tonne bag of free gravel for our Eco area donated by MKM Building Supplies (Chester) Ltd.



## NUT ALLERGIES

From September, we are a Nut Free & Sesame Free School as we will have a number of children with severe allergies at Belgrave. Although we recognise that this cannot be guaranteed, Belgrave aims to be a strict Nut-Free and sesame free school to reduce the risk to those children and adults who may suffer a reaction if exposed to nuts to which they are sensitive.

Please do not allow nuts or nut products in lunch boxes or as a snack that are brought in from home. Our "Nut and Sesame-Free School" means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- Packs of nuts
- Houmous
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Chocolate Spread (made with nuts) sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts / sesame
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts / sesame
- Sesame seeds i.e., rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts
- Cakes or biscuits made with coconut oil (children allergic to cashews may also have a severe reaction to coconut)



We do not use sesame nuts in any of the food prepared on site at our school. Our suppliers provide us with nut and sesame-free products. It is acceptable to send food in from home where the ingredients say 'may contain'.

### YEAR 1 TRIP TO PRESTATYN BEACH

Year 1 enjoyed an action-packed day at Prestatyn beach last week with glorious sunshine! They played sports, made sandcastles and had to guard their picnics from the seagulls! The children had lots of fun and enjoyed an ice cream and some time on the playground.

They have done some amazing follow up work including outstanding paintings fit for an art gallery – well done Year 1! ☆



### YEAR 2 TRIP TO JODRELL BANK

Year 2 visited Jodrell

Bank as part of their

Space topic in science last

week – it's always a very popular trip.

Quote of the day, 'This is the best school trip I've ever been on!'

Children particularly enjoyed the Space Dome session where they were taken into space and looked at constellations, planets and how day and night happen here on Earth. Staff were very complimentary about the children's behaviour and their space knowledge – very impressive!

Staff were so proud of you all, well done!



### YEAR 4 VISIT TO BRIDGEWATER HALL

Year 4 had the most amazing opportunity to play as part of the Halle Orchestra at Bridgewater Hall in Manchester in June.

They played their instruments

which they have been learning all year as part of Wider Opportunities weekly musical instrument lessons. It's a memorable experience for our Year 4 pupils and one that I'm sure they'll remember! Thank you to the parents who also attended to support our pupils.



### RECEPTION TRIP TO IMAGINE THAT!



Reception had a fabulous trip to 'Imagine That' in Liverpool where they made slime, bath bombs and bubbles. They had a visit in Jess's Laboratory and in the photo booth as well as lots more exciting experiences. The children were extremely enthusiastic during the day and had lots of positive comments on return as well as sharing some of their experiences in celebration assembly!





## YEAR 4 LET'S WALK

Year 4 have taken part in the Let's Walk group workshops during June. Two sessions were completed by each group. All pupils could safely cross the road in different scenarios.



Thank you,  
Mrs  
Halewood  
and Mrs  
Tiffin, for  
organising and  
facilitating this.



## SPORTS DAY

We were fortunate that both EY/KS1 and KS2 sports days were able to go ahead as planned in June.



Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and friends who came to cheer the children on and enjoy the afternoons (despite the mid-afternoon showers for the KS2 event).



All pupils were very sporting and tried their best.

## MIDSUMMER WATCH PARADE



Following a workshop creating geese props with artist Lucy, Year 2 attended the Midsummer Watch Parade 2025.

Thank you to Year 2 parents, grandparents and siblings for a special afternoon at the parade 2024.

It was a brilliant turn out - you were all amazing and so enthusiastic! We felt very proud! 😊





## ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE SCHOOL



Lots of fantastic achievements outside school this month:

Isaac in Year 3 achieved his orange belt in MMA and is super proud – well done Isaac! ☆

Logan in Year 3 has recently achieved his red belt in Taekwondo – another great success – well done to you! ☆

Heidi in Year 5 gained a silver medal at the Saltney Classic competition in June. She works in a trio and scored

the highest they have ever achieved! Well done! ☆



Jake in Year 4 took part in the Storyhouse Youth Theatre 8-10s show at the Garret theatre last weekend. There were two performances of “Other Worlds” which was devised by the group themselves supported by the youth theatre leaders. Jake had a few lines and took part in a dance and thoroughly enjoyed it all! Congratulations Jake! ☆

Freya in Year 4 has recently been part of the ‘Wings of the Sky Project’ which is a musical play from Theatre in the Quarter involving a cast of young people and tells the story of a tribe of people who work the fields in order to eat and survive. Tensions rise as another group of people arrive in the valley seeking a place to live. The story has been inspired by the ideas and experiences of young people, some of whom are facing the challenges of seeking asylum. Well done Freya! ☆



George in Year 1 has recently achieved his 5-metre swimming badge and certificate – a great achievement – well done! ☆

James in Year 2 achieved a special award of ‘Players’ Player’ of the season voted for by his teammates at Westminster Park Football Trophy Day on Saturday! Congratulations James! ☆





## VEGETABLES PLANTED AND READY TO EAT!

Our Eco Team and gardening club are doing a fantastic job with growing fruit and vegetables in the Eco Area! I have tried the broad beans, garlic, beetroot and strawberries, all of which were delicious! I was very kindly brought a bunch of sweet peas last week too. Look out for more vegetables on sale soon - all money raised will go towards planting more vegetables in our Eco Garden.



## SPORTS ROUND UP



Well done to our rounders team who played very well at Bishops Bluecoat tournament in June. You should be very proud of yourselves!

GIRL'S FOOTBALL TEAM SUCCESS report by Emilia in Year 6:

*After our performances in matches earlier this year, our girls football team qualified for a tournament with the other best school teams in Chester. We battled through the group stage with some great defending from our team, winning one match and losing one, which meant we made it to the semi-finals! We were up against the future winners and were unlucky to lose 3-2 after leading halfway through. In the end we came 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Everyone played brilliantly and didn't give up until the final whistle. Well done to everyone on the team!*



Belgrave had a fantastic afternoon and evening at the recent annual Chester

District Athletics Tournament. Mr Moss and Mrs Chambers commented what an absolute pleasure the team were to take to the tournament - very well behaved, determined and a really brilliant team!

A huge well done to Savannah, Evan, William and Allison who made the final of their respective sprint events, we've never had so many children make it through to the finals before! Savannah and Evan then won their sprint finals winning our first ever gold medals at the

event! 🏆 William came sixth in a very close final and Allison narrowly missed out on another gold medal in a photo finish coming second! Brilliant achievements from all of our pupils!

A special mention also to Noah and Hamish in Year 6 who after finishing their event helped the organisers with the running of the cricket ball throw event without any prompting or suggestion. Well done, the organisers were very grateful.



## TRANSITION AND STAFFING

Following my letter regarding transition which was sent out yesterday, children will spend two separate mornings Friday 4<sup>th</sup> and Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July in their new classes in preparation for the new academic year in September.

## SUMMER SOCIAL

Thank you to everyone who helped and / or attended the PTA Summer Social, we appreciate your support. It was such glorious weather and a thoroughly enjoyable summer event. We also welcomed many new Reception families. The PTA raised over an amazing £1500 in total!



The lucky Rainbow Raffle winners were:

Pink – Daniel (Year 1)  
Yellow – Mabel (Year 1) and Monty (Rec)  
Blue – Freya D (Year 4)  
Green – Oliver M (Year 1)  
Orange – Matthew (Year 5)  
Red – Jack (Year 1)  
Purple – Wala (Year 5) and Bruno (Year 3)



We are really excited to have very nearly enough money for our new library area in school. School Council will soon be part of the planning for this exciting addition!

## MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNING BOARD

The Governing Board met yesterday for their last meeting of the school year. We were joined by Darran Jones, CEO of The Learning Trust, who gave us an update on TLT finances and plans for the next academic year. We also discussed subject specific visits governors with linked responsibilities had organised with their subject leaders. Together with our review of the school annual development plan, we are very happy and impressed with the school progress this year and already looked forward to their ambitious plans for the next year.

Belgrave Governing Board

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Please get involved in The Summer Reading Challenge with your child / children during the summer holidays.

Do let class teachers know of any achievements in this challenge in September – we like to share these in assembly at the start of the new academic year.

There are lots of fun activities at the local library during the break.

**Join the Summer Reading Challenge  
from Saturday 5 July**

Get stickers, a certificate and medal for reading books over the Summer Holidays.  
You can join the challenge online or at your local library.

Visit your library for your rewards and to book in for free special events such as animal handling, circus skills and fun science.

**Story Garden**  
Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors

Cheshire West & Chester Council  
**Libraries**

[www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/read](http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/read)



## BEST WISHES TO OUR YEAR 6 PUPILS

It's time for us to say goodbye and very best wishes to all of our Year 6 pupils who are moving onto secondary school. I am sure you will join me in saying a heartfelt thank you to all the Year 6 pupils for their contribution to school life and the happiness they have brought to staff and other pupils in their primary journey here. You have been a superb year group and we all wish you the very best in the next exciting chapter of your lives at secondary school.



**Year 6, please remember that you will always be part of the Belgrave family even when you are at secondary school.**

**We are always here if and when you need us! 😊 Thank you to parents for contributions to our school community over the years, especially to the families we will be saying goodbye to. 😊**

## AND FINALLY.....

- School attendance is mandatory for all pupils of compulsory school age. **No holidays during term time will be authorised.**
- Please report all pupil absences to the **school office** by email or phone. The school office will follow up any absences not reported by 9.15am.
- If children arrive after the gates close at 8.55am (Rec and KS1) and 8.50am (KS2), they will receive a late mark. Please support your child to arrive at school on time.
- Please continue to let us know of any achievements made outside school so that we can share them in our newsletters each month. Please send to [admin@belgrave.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@belgrave.cheshire.sch.uk)
- We will give you as many planned calendar dates as possible for the academic year 2025-26 during the first monthly newsletter in September. Clubs timetable will go out during the first week back as we are still confirming dates and allocation with external providers. These extra-curricular clubs will begin week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> September.

As ever, we really appreciate your support, enthusiasm and partnership.  
Enjoy the summer break!

Juliette Benton  
Headteacher



### DIARY DATES

*Confirmed dates are listed below. Please note that some dates may be subject to change.*

<b>July</b>	
Wed 2nd	KS2 Performance 1.30pm
Thurs 3rd	KS2 Performance 5.30pm
Fri 4th	Transition morning in new classes in preparation for September
Mon 7th	Transition morning in new classes in preparation for September
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 residential to London (2 nights)
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wider Opps music performance for Year 4 parents 2.30pm
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 return from residential
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	End of year reports sent out
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup>	Piano performance 2.00pm (For parents whose children have piano lessons with Mrs Walton in school)
Mon 21st	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2.30pm for Year 6 parents
Mon 21st	Year 6 Leavers Disco 5.00pm – 6.30pm
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Last Day of Term – School Closes at 2pm (No Happy Hive after school club)



Our super Year 2 writers with their own published books!



