



## **Belton Update**

**31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Can you believe the end of the Spring term is here! It is always a short one but an extremely busy one! The children have been working hard and all look ready for a break!

Over the last few weeks we have enjoyed a visit from the Fire Service to teach Foxes and Year 5 all about fire safety, had a wonderful author visit, chocolate bingo, Squirrels Easter play and an Easter egg hunt. The Hedgehogs have also been learning all about how crisps are made which obviously they loved! The staff have had training on Autism and I met Rev Kate Bottley (from Gogglebox) at the Diocese conference!

### **The Car Park Gate**

After the holidays we are reverting back to the old way of coming into school. No one will be allowed to enter through the carpark gate. Please come into school grounds through the small gate and onto the playground through the gate near Squirrels classroom. To leave the school premises please leave via the gate near Badgers classroom, then walk by the school building back to the path and leave by the small gate.

### **Goodbye and Welcome**

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Smith in the office. We all thank her for everything she had done for the school and wish her the very best for her new chapter. I am sure she won't be a stranger!

We also welcome Mrs Clair Lavine to the office. She will be working across the week and I know we will all make her very welcome.

### **Lovely news**

Mrs Hurcombe has had a beautiful baby boy. Congratulations to her and all her family.

### **Awards**

This term's Whetton Award for progress and determination goes to Finley in Squirrels. Congratulations!

This term's Billy Mumby Award for Kindness goes to Ruby in Hedgehogs for showing kindness to her friends, above and beyond expectations for her age.

**House points – Beech 115, Ash 150, Willow 160 and Oak 195. Well done Oak ! Your non uniform day will be Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023**



**The online world is an important part of kids' lives nowadays. It's an exciting place for them to explore, with all sorts of fun and educational stuff to discover, but there can be some risks too.**

**'Keeping children safe online' will teach you how to help kids explore their favourite apps, games and sites safely. Our workshop will:**

- help you understand how children experience the online world
- show you resources and tools that could help keep them safe
- empower you to guide them on their journey.



Please join us for Parent NSPCC workshops on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April after school for an hour.

The children can stay in school whilst you attend. Children's online safety is so important in this day and age. With technology changing all the time it is really important that parents know as much as possible about ensuring the children stay safe online.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Please email the school office to book a spot:

[office@beltonprimary.org](mailto:office@beltonprimary.org)



A reminder of our school values and ethos. These are things that make Belton CE Primary School, Belton Primary School! And the values we want to instill into our school community.

## Values and ethos

Our vision for our school is

***Achieving the best together.** By preparing all in our school community for fullness of life, reaching their potential, physically, mentally, and emotionally through an appreciation of their spiritual lives inspired by the values of Jesus Christ. John 10 v10*

Our mission is to create and enable an exciting and supportive environment so that all our learners will flourish both emotionally and educationally to ensure that they can be the best they can be and become responsible, confident individuals who are equipped for the future. We are committed to developing the full potential of **all** our school community by having high expectations and by creating a culture of positive endeavour underpinned by Christian values so that **all** can achieve.

All staff and governors are committed to this vision which is strongly underpinned by Christian values. In our school we have chosen six key Christian values which we believe are at the heart of developing a healthy school community. These are **hope, peace, forgiveness, love, friendship and trust.**

We aim to:

- Develop lively, enquiring healthy minds and independent learners
- Develop and extend basic skills so that our pupils understand the importance of them and their continuing role throughout their lives
- Develop an active partnership between the child, the school and the home
- Recognise, develop and promote individual talents to promote wellbeing and confidence
- Help pupils to respect and communicate well with others and develop an understanding of spiritual, cultural and moral values and the appreciation of religious life and those ways of life that are different from their own
- Help pupils appreciate their part in society and understand their value and worth

### Headlice

Unfortunately, we seem to be having a bit of an outbreak. Please can I ask you check your child's hair regularly and longer hair must be tied back.

[Head lice and nits - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)





23rd March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,



## May Day Arrangements SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup> April 2023

**May Day** - children should assemble at 11.45pm at the village hall ready to be part of the procession to leave at 12 noon prompt to walk to the Maypole in the centre of the village. Please be aware that these times are different to previous years. We will then have the crowning of this year's May Queen, followed by the dancing.

The dancers are invited to take part in the children's tea party afterwards which is being organised by FOBS. The village hall will be open from 10.00am. Please make sure that fresh food is on paper plates and wrapped, or in tins or plastic boxes.

### May sticks

All children in Year R to Year 5 require a may stick. Girls in Hedgehogs also require a posy. For a may stick you will need a 1 metre cane, doily and white ribbon for a bow. If you have any questions regarding May Day do ask your child's class teacher. We will have some examples in school to share with you - please don't worry!

**Clothing** - All girls to wear white dresses, white cardigan, white socks and black plimsolls. All boys to wear grey shorts/trousers, white shirt, red tie, a grey V neck jumper if required, grey socks and black plimsolls. We may have some dresses for sale in the hall and if you have any outgrown items for resale please bring them into school as soon as possible. Red ties can be purchased from the school office for £3.

The May Queen wears a headdress of flowers, provided by FOBS, as do the Year 6 girls. Only Year 6 girls can have flowers in their hair.

We are proud to be able to continue with this lovely village tradition and we are hoping for some sunshine! Let's make this a real village community event. Bring your friends, family and neighbours and enjoy the dancing and then come and join us at the village hall for tea.

Miss Joanna Scott



# LOGO COMPETITION

Friends Of Belton School (FOBS) need a new logo!

Full name:	Class:
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Instructions - Please consider that:

- 1.The logo needs to be no larger than A5
- 2.The logo could reflect the aims of FOBS, such as:  
community, relationships and fundraisng
- 3.The logo needs to be, clear, bright and colourful without too much small detail.

Tip: A sign of a successful logo is that it always looks understandable even in black and white, with a strong silhouette or outline, perhaps you can check if yours does to?

**Current Logo:**



£1.00 per entry

Deadline for completed logos:

**14th April 2023** at the end of the school day.

Winner announced on **Mayday**.

Please submit by posting in the competition postbox, in the school hall.

*We look forward to your entries!*

Good Luck from FOBS and Thank you for entering!

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Friends-of-Belton-School>

FOBs Facebook  
QR code:







**Subject Corner- a new feature! Learn more about how we approach different subjects here at Belton**

# RE at Belton

At Belton C of E Primary School, we ensure our pupils' cultural development is enhanced by an exciting, stimulating and relevant RE curriculum.

We use the Leicestershire Agreed Syllabus and the Church of England's scheme, Understanding Christianity, to guide our teaching. We always link events and celebrations from a range of faiths and cultures into our themes and topics so that they are relevant and meaningful for the children.

We have strong links with the village church and visit it regularly for services and celebrations as well as having regular visits to the school by local Reverends. Our children also visit a variety of places of worship in Leicestershire to ensure diversity and respect for others beliefs are experienced first-hand.

Here are the topics we teach throughout their time at Belton:

2021 – 2026 – Cycle Plan – Draft 1

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS	F4 Being special: where do we belong?	F2 Why is Christmas special for Christians?	F1 Why is the word 'God' so important to Christians?	F3 Why is Easter special to Christians?	F5 What places are special and why?	F6 What times/stories are special and why?
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KS1	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Cycle A	1.7 Who is Jewish and how do they live? Part 1	1.1 What do Christians believe God is like?	1.6 Who is a Muslim and how do they live? Part 1	1.5 Why does Easter matter to Christians?	1.4 What is the 'good news' Christians believe Jesus brings?	1.9 How should we care for the world and for others, and why does it matter?
Cycle B	1.7 Who is Jewish and how do they live? Part 2	1.3 Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	1.6 Who is a Muslim and how do they live? Part 2	1.2 Who do Christians say made the world?	1.10 What does it mean to belong to a faith community?	1.8 What makes some places sacred to believers?
LKS2	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Cycle A	L2.1 What do Christians learn from the Creation story?	L2.8 What does it mean to be Hindu in Britain today?	L2.3 What is the 'Trinity' and why is it important for Christians?	L2.9 How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim?	L2.4 What kind of world did Jesus want?	L2.12 How and why do people try to make the world a better place?
Cycle B	L2.10 How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jewish people?	L2.2 What is it like for someone to follow God?	L2.7 What do Hindus believe God is like?	L2.5 Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'?	L2.6 For Christians, when Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost?	L2.11 How and why do people mark the significant events of life? (C, H, NR)
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Cycle A	U2.1 What does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving? U2.4 Christians and how to live: 'What would Jesus do?'	U2.7 Why do Hindus want to be good?	U2. What difference does the resurrection make to Christians (Salvation)	U2.8 What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?	U2.2 Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?	U2.10 What matters most to Humanists and Christians? (C, M/I, NR)
Cycle B	U2.9 Why is the Torah so important to Jewish people?	U2.11 Why do some people believe in God and some people not? (C, NR)	U2.3 Why do Christians believe Jesus was the Messiah? – Start before Christmas.	U2.5 What do Christians believe Jesus did to 'save' people? U2 - How can following God bring freedom and justice. People of God.	U2.6 For Christians, what kind of king is Jesus?	U2.12 How does faith help people when life gets hard?



# RE at Belton

As a Belton Primary RE Champion, I...

Will reflect on examples of care and concern shown by believers and religious communities and explore reasons for these actions

Will engage with stories and extracts from religious literature and talk about their meanings.



Can identify symbolic actions, gestures and rituals and talk about how they are used as part of worship and ceremonies. of worship and ceremonies.

At Belton C of E Primary School we aim to provide a loving Christian environment where Jesus is our model and worship and prayer are central to our daily lives. We will deliver high quality learning opportunities, inside and outside the classroom. We provide a welcoming, safe and nurturing environment where everyone is able to learn and grow as a unique individual and encourage and support each other to be ambitious, resilient and independent lifelong learners. We develop enquiring minds and a love of learning and value everyone and celebrate their beliefs, achievements, skills and contributions.



## **IMPORTANT Diary dates**

### **Key Stage 2 - PE – Dates**

**17th April - Badgers**

**24th April - Squirrels**

**1st May – Bank Holiday**

**8th May – Coronation Day**

**15th May - Badgers**

**22nd May - Squirrels**

**29th May – Half Term**

**5th June - Badgers**

**12th June - Squirrels**

**19th June - Badgers**

**26th June – Squirrels**

**3rd July - Badgers**

**10th July - Squirrels**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April Back to school**

**20<sup>th</sup> April NSPCC Parent workshops after school. Please see flyer**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023 Non Uniform Day Oak**

**24<sup>th</sup> April Parents evening**

**26<sup>th</sup> April Parents evening**

**29<sup>th</sup> April May Day**

**1<sup>st</sup> May May Day bank holiday**

**5<sup>th</sup> May afternoon picnic King's Coronation**

**8<sup>th</sup> May Bank holiday King's Coronation**

**9<sup>th</sup> May-12 May Year 6 SATS**

**16<sup>th</sup> May Courageous Advocacy day**

**26<sup>th</sup> May Break up for half term 3.10 pm**

**5<sup>th</sup> June New term begins**

