

Belton C of E Primary School
Summer Term

Newsletter 2

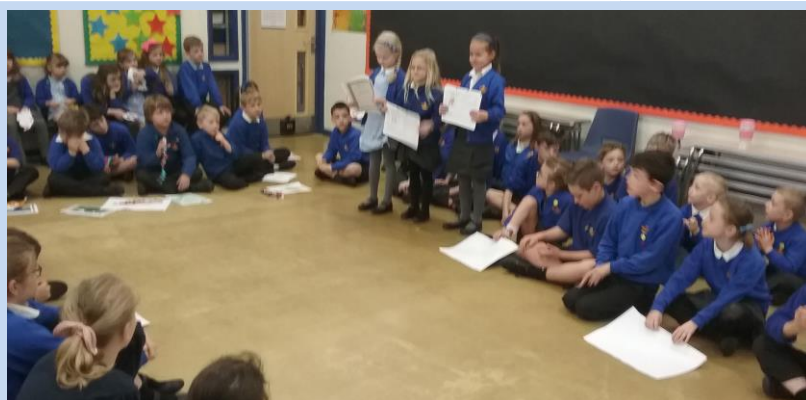
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Grace Dieu Priory Talk



We had an interesting talk by the Friends of Grace Dieu Priory on Monday. Mr Miller and Mrs Slatter told us about the history of the ruin and then worked with the Sea Otters in preparation for their trip there next week. Our children asked some really good questions and we learned a lot about this local landmark.

House Activity Day



On Tuesday we split into our houses and spent the day team building and working together doing Art, IT, Technology, English, History, Geography and Maths as we began to explore our chosen countries for this term. Ash are studying France, Oak - England, Willow - Jamaica and Beech - Brazil. If you have any resources from holidays to these places do let us know as we will be having 2 more activity sessions before the end of term.

**The house captains were chosen this week and they are
Ash - Isabelle, Oak - Chloe, Willow - Joe, and Beech - Jack.**

We had a sharing assembly on Thursday where we showcased all the work we had done and had a range of things to display from carnival masks to Monet's waterlilies from his famous painting, crafted in paper. We want to build team working and resilience and supporting others clearly into the ethos of our school and the house system is proving to be a success.



Sports News

On Monday afternoon our Year 5 team went to Shepshed and played hockey against Shepshed schools and we are delighted to say that our team came 3rd. Well done! We are very proud of you and Mrs Chamberlain and Mrs Reid have commented on your good sportsmanship and team playing.

**Assembly in Church
led by Meerkats and
Bees
9am
Tuesday 26th April**

Meerkats and Bees are practising for their assembly in church on Tuesday 26th April. It starts at 9am and all are welcome. *We would like you to spare a thought for Margaret Richardson at church who is one of our great supporters and who always welcomes us and yourselves at the church assemblies as we have found out that she is most unwell. We will be sending her our good wishes and flowers from school.*

May Day and School Fayre

We are practising our Maypole dancing with Val Baxter and counting down the days to the May Day celebrations and Spring Fayre on Saturday 30th April.

If you are unsure of anything please do ask. Mrs Johns held an information session to show how to make a Maystick and answer any questions. We have uploaded the video of this and information about May Day on the school website

www.belton.leics.sch.uk

Thank you for all the amazing donations for the tombola raised from our non-uniform day in school today.



Primary school recognised with Healthy Schools award

We want everyone to feel confident and comfortable at the school – Elizabeth de Looze

By LEE GARRETT

A HEAD teacher has praised all involved after her school was awarded a Leicestershire Healthy Schools programme award.

Elizabeth de Looze, the head teacher at Belton CofE Primary School, was the one full of praise after the hard work undertaken by her staff and pupils alike saw them recognised by the programme that highlights good work in health, behaviour and attainment.

The award, which was presented this spring to the school, marks the work of all staff at Belton especially in the key four areas of the programme including PSHE, physical activity, healthy eating and emotional health and wellbeing.



Speaking of the award, Mrs de Looze, who took over the school in September 2010 and, "I'm really proud that we've received this award as it shows that all the hard work we've put in here at the school has been worthwhile. It's something that we can all take pride in as we've hit our key objectives and of course helping our pupils be best prepared for school life and beyond."

Since taking over in the autumn of 2010, Mrs de Looze's school has seen the introduction of a breakfast club, ensuring she described it as "extremely popular in helping pupils feel ready for the day ahead. The work in the key four areas of the programme has been the main focus however and something she felt was key to a school providing for its pupils."

"These areas are not just key to educational development but to emotional development too. We want everyone to feel confident and comfortable at the school as well as things like physical education aiding brain development."

"Promoting a healthy lifestyle goes to the heart of their happily being healthy after here."

Next for the school is the next stage of the Healthy Schools Programme, the advanced stage which will see Belton focus on one of the key four areas they've been praised for and extend the work they do there.

We are in the Coalville Times!

Last week two journalists from the Coalville Times came into our school and talked to Mrs de Looze and the children about our being awarded a Leicestershire Healthy Schools Programme Award.

Their article and photograph is in this week's Coalville Times.

Please buy a copy!

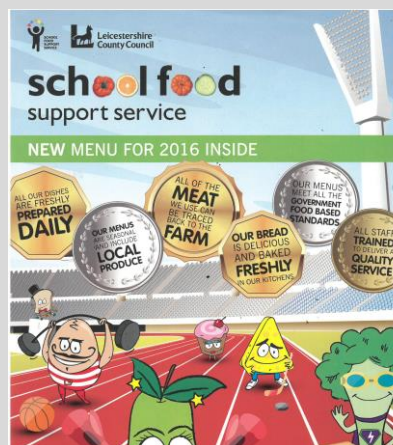
Sea Otters Kingswood Residential Trip

Our residential visit to Kingswood Activity Centre is nearly here! Mrs Cobbin is holding a meeting to answer any questions you may have on **Thursday 26th April at 3.10pm in the Sea Otters classroom.**

Mrs Scott is in the process of organising a trip for the Bears to Twycross Zoo on Wednesday 18th May. More details next week.

A copy of the new school lunch menu is available on the school website

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New School Lunch Menu starting on Monday

We have a new school menu from our School Food Support Service commencing on Monday 25th April. The menu cycles over a 3 week period and you will receive a copy of the menu with this newsletter.

School lunches are free for all children in Year R, 1 and 2 and cost £2.15 a day (£10.75) a week for Year 3, 4 and 5 children.