Welcome back to a very busy term where we have lots of exciting activities planned.

Clubs News – Summer Term

Clubs continue as last term with the following changes: On Tuesday after school -**Athletics Club** instead of Running Club On Friday after school we have 2 new clubs: **Dance Club** with Miss Demetriou and **History Club** with Mrs Oakley. There are still a few places left so if your child would like to

participate please sign up at the school office. A full list of all clubs can be

viewed on the school website.

Well Done Charlie!

Congratulations to Charlie in the Bears who took part in the Thrussington Community Open Cross Country race on Saturday 17th March. He ran over 2 miles along with over 80 children across fields and through running streams on a bitterly cold, frosty morning. Charlie was pleased to finish in 41st place. *Well done Charlie!*





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Staff News

Many of you will know that Mrs Scott is going to be leaving us at the end of the school year. She is our longest running member of our staff, having been at Belton for over 23 years. We wish Mrs Scott well in her future ventures and thank her for her service to our school. We are currently recruiting for a new teacher and will keep you posted when this happens.

Amazing Cross Country Runners!

On 24th March Ava and Natasha represented the Loughborough area of schools in the County and National cross country races held at Prestwold Hall. There were over 3000 runners from all over the country. The girls ran 2.2km in extremely muddy conditions and said that they really enjoyed the whole event!

Well done Ava and Natasha!

Local news: Mini Kickers Tournament at Easter



Many of our children are playing for Mini Kickers in Belton and the tournament at Easter drew comments and praise about our children from managers from Coalville, Barrow and from Gaz Lavine in Belton. We wanted to share those comments with you.

The under 6s played 4 matches against really good opposition and did really well winning one game drawing a game and narrowly losing to winners of the tournament Coalville 1-0

The under 7 teams were brilliant with one of our teams getting to the final in a 12-man tournament and the other doing really well in a very tough group.

Our older age group under 9/10s were in against some very strong opposition whilst they didn't get through to finals they all did us very proud.

Gaz said "All in all a fantastic day of football and Belton School can be really proud of the players that played on the day. The kids in age groups were fantastic."

Well done to Jake, Cole, Theo, Alfie and Thomas who play in the under 6 team: Jole, Ruben, Dylan and Archie who play in the under 7 team and William, Tyler B, Tyler T, Joe D, Ava, Jack Wa and Jack Wi who play in the under 9 team.

Quicksticks Hockey

On Tuesday after school our Year 3 and 4 team - Charlie, Evie, Harry, Holly, Jack, and William played in the tournament at Charnwood College. They played very well beating Orchard School two goals to one. Well done!

On Wednesday our Year 5 and 6 team -Ava, Charlie, Jack, Joe, Natasha and William played in a tournament at Charnwood College. They came second in their groups and Mr Vasey commented that they played exceptionally well. Well done!





Tennis

Tennis coaching will take place in school every Friday, beginning today, Friday 13th April. There will be opportunities for all children in Years 1- 6 to play and have coaching.

Coming Up



Stay and Play for Tigers parents and carers

Please join us on Monday 16th April 2018. Meet in the school foyer at 9am. Sessions last until 10am Future dates: Thursday 3rd May 2018 Thursday 24th May 2018

Mayday News

We are very pleased to let you know that Serena has been chosen to be our May Queen for 2018. Her name was picked by Gemma Moyse, our new parent governor at our end of term assembly in March. It is particularly poignant that Serena was picked as her Grandma, Jean Adkin, was chosen to be May Queen in 1953, so Serena is carrying the family tradition. She is the 4th generation of Adkins to attend Belton School!





On Monday 16th April our school photographer is in school to take class photographs. *Please note – this is a change of date.*

NSPCC 'Speak Out – Stay Safe'

Having cancelled twice due to the snowy weather we are hoping that the NSPCC will visit on Wednesday 18th April to provide assemblies for KS1 and for KS2 children and also a workshop for Year 5 and 6. The theme as stated before is 'Speak Out – Stay Safe'.

NSPCC Speak out. Stay safe. programme





Parents New to May Day

Mrs Johns will be holding an information session for all parents new to May Day.

For a May stick you will need a 1 metre cane, doily and white ribbon for a bow. Have a look at our video of How to make a May stick:

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View this newsletter on our website to access the video



Belton May Day Celebrations Saturday 5th May All children are involved and will be dancing

Maypole Dancing Practice

Maypole dancing practice is underway in readiness for our village display on May 5th at 2pm.

Please could we ask you to check your child has plimsolls that fit! Several children are telling us that their plimsolls are too tight. They need them every day in school for maypole dancing practice.

Clothing for May Day

All girls are to wear white dresses, with a white cardigan if needed, with white socks and black plimsolls. All boys to wear grey shorts/trousers, white shirt, red tie, and a v necked grey jumper if required. Red ties are available from the school office for £3.

All children in Year R to Year 5 require a May stick. Girls in Tigers also require a posy.

The May Queen will wear a headdress of flowers, Year 6 girls have flowers in their hair - these are provided by FOBS. No girls should wear flowers in their hair other than Year 6.

On Saturday 5th May we will meet in front of the **village hall** at 1.45pm and at 2pm prompt all the children will process through the village to the maypole for the crowning of this years' May Queen, Serena. This will then be followed by the dancing.

Afterwards, the Mayday tea for the dancers will take place, as last year in the **village hall** from approximately 3pm. Refreshments will be available for parents and carers and others. All will be served by members of FOBS. Please remember that the children are the responsibility of parents and carers once the dancing is over. FOBS class representatives will be asking for donations of sandwiches, cakes and biscuits nearer the time. If you are unsure of anything please do ask your child's class teacher or Mrs Johns.

> If you have any outgrown items please bring them into school as soon as possible.

We are proud 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.



Defibrillator Training Year 1 – 6

We have been offered defibrillator training on Friday 20th April by the Community Heartbeat Trust so that everyone in school is aware of what to do and the importance of the defibrillator in our community.

On Monday 8th May our school nurse is holding a drop-in session from 2.30pm – 3.30pm in the school hall. If you would like to chat with her about any matter please do drop in. No appointment necessary. The next session will be on Monday 2nd July

Residential trips for Year 5 and for Year 6 Year 5

Our Year 5 children will be joining with Diseworth School to go to Kingswood Activity Centre on Tuesday 8th May until Friday 11th May. Mrs Chamberlain and Mr Vasey will accompany our children.

There will be a parents information meeting with Mrs Woffindin head teacher at Diseworth School on Tuesday 24th April at 3.15pm where there will be opportunities to ask any questions. If you are unable to make the meeting and have any further questions please speak to Mrs de Looze.

Year 6

A Year 6 residential trip has been finalised and will comprise of a two day stay on 5^{th} and 6^{th} June into the Peak District where walking, orienteering and fun will be the order of the day. Our thirteen Year 6 children will be the only school on this adventure which is being run by Mr Perkins (head teacher from Long Whatton School).

The cost will be ± 60 per person which includes food, transport an all activities. More information on this trip will follow in the next few weeks including a parents information meeting with Mr Perkins.



FOBS News

FOBS held a committee meeting at the Queen's Head, Belton on Thursday evening where plans for the Beetle Drive, Mayday and BeltonFest were discussed.

Beetle Drive Thursday 19th April 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start in the school hall

£1 adult 50p child You are welcome to bring own drinks and nibbles Teas and coffees served. Max 6 per table. Tickets available from the school office



Lydia wins the 'Design a logo for BeltonFest Competition' Congratulations to Lydia in The Owls class whose design, shown above, has been chosen to be used on our publicity material for BeltonFest. Very well done to Lydia for her colourful design and also to runners up Olivia in the Bears and Charlie in the Sea Otters.

Diary Dates

April

Monday	16 th	Stay and Play for of Tigers parents and carers. 8.45am – 10am
Monday	16 th	School photographer in school taking class photographs – note change of
		date
Wednesday	18 th	Rescheduled Speak Out, Stay Safe day with the NSPCC
Thursday	19 th	FOBS Beetle Drive. 6.30pm at school
Friday	20^{th}	Community Heartbeat Trust. Information session for Year 1 – 6

May

Tuesday	1 st	Assembly in church led by the Bears. All welcome, 9am
Wednesday	2 nd	Wellbeing change team meeting. 1.45pm at school
Thursday	3 rd	Stay and Play for Tigers parents and carers. 8.45am – 10am
Friday	4 th	Final maypole practice
Saturday	5 th	Belton May Day Celebrations
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Monday	7 th	School closed for the May Day Bank Holiday
Monday Tuesday	7 th 8 th	School closed for the May Day Bank Holiday Drop-in session at school with the school nurse for parents and carers.

Tuesday 8th May – Friday 11th May Kingswood Activity Centre Residential for Year 5

Wednesday	9 th	Governing Body – Standards meeting. 7pm in school
		KS2 SATS week Monday 14 th May – Thursday 17 th May
Monday Tuesday Tuesday Thursday Thursday Friday	21 st 22 nd 22 nd 24 th 24 th 25 th	Long Whatton Cricket Club visit Year 5 and 6 children CEOPS assemblies for KS1 and KS2 children CEOPS information evening for all parents, 6.45pm -8pm Stay and Play for of Tigers parents and carers. 8.45am – 10am Year 1 Sports Day at Oxley Primary School. 9.30am – 11am School closes at 3.10pm today for the half term break

June

Monday	4^{th}	School closed to pupils. Inset day for all staff
Tuesday	5 th	Year 6 residential to Derbyshire with Mrs Jones and Mr Perkins
Thursday	7 th	Foundation Stage Sports Day. 9.30am – 11.30am
Thursday	7 th	Governing Body Finance Committee meeting, 6pm in school
Tuesday	12 th	Assembly in church led by the Tigers. All welcome, 9am

Week commencing Monday 18th June Science Week

June continued

Thursday	21 st	Full Governing Body meeting. 7pm – 9pm at school
Friday	22 nd	Owls overnight camp
Monday	25^{th}	Sports Day. 1pm

Saturday 30th June BeltonFest 11.30am – 3pm

July

Monday	2 nd	Drop-in session at school with the school nurse for parents and carers.
		2.30pm – 3.15pm
Tuesday	3 rd	Assembly in church led by the Sea Otters. All welcome, 9am
Wednesday	4 th	Year 6 Family meeting at Iveshead School. 6pm
Wednesday	4 th	KS2 Big Sing – Loughborough Church
Thursday	5 th	Induction Day at Iveshead School
Thursday	6 th	Induction Day at Iveshead School
Friday	13 th	End of year assembly. Time TBC
School closes	today a	at 3.10pm for the summer holidays

August

Wednesday 30th School open to pupils for the Autumn Term