

Belton C of E Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

We wanted to let you know about all the things we have been doing this half term and let you know what is coming up as we race towards the end of term. Only 2 weeks to go!

The climbing equipment has been installed thanks to the Awards for All lottery grant of £10,000 and FOBS and we now have a new playground and path which is very smart. We love the brilliant playground markings that Project Playgrounds installed for us last week. The bell has been placed to welcome all comers to school and the no waiting zone has been replaced. We would like to thank FOBS for their donation towards the playground markings and for all their hard work.

Cookery club (Y5) prepared and served a wonderful afternoon tea for retired residents from Belton on Tuesday. Everyone loved the cakes and the entertainment put on by the singing club. Thanks to Mrs Peck for organising the cookery club and Mrs Gamble who runs the singing club. It was a lovely event and we have received cards and letters of thanks which has been very kind.

We have been taking part in many sporting events and on Wednesday Sasha, Freya, George and Finley represented our school in the area county sports day championship finals. There were over 900 children in the various sports represented and we are so proud of our swimmers. Well done! Our team as part of the North Charnwood team won the award of the Spirit of the games.

On Thursday our Y3 and 4 entered an athletics competition at Newcroft School as part of the Shepshed level 2 sports and we are competing in Y4 and Y5 tennis tournaments each Tuesday after school. Our thanks go to Mrs Chamberlain the Sport Team Manager and to parents who have assisted with lifts and for their support. Photos of the sporting events are on the website so do check it out.

On Thursday Y1 went to Kegworth to a Sports Day event with our collaborative trust schools BeSKiLD (that's ourselves, St Botolph's, Shepshed, Kegworth, Long Whatton and Diseworth). The event was a huge success. Last week the head teachers from our trust schools did a learning walk here and were most impressed by our school - children's work and talking about their learning and the stunning displays.

We have hosted a sports stars afternoon for children from Y2-5 who it was decided would benefit from increased coaching and mentoring opportunities and invited trust school children

to participate too. This was a great success and we have booked this as a termly event over the next academic year. Selection was made according by specialist sports coaches and teachers who we employ over the year.

We have also provided training for our 4 sports leaders this term - Sasha, Freya, George and Jack, who have been trained in running groups and promoting sport and fitness to younger members of our school. We will be running this programme next year as well as it has been such a success.

Staffing

As you know Mr Cook will be retiring after 11 years at the school and we will miss him. (We think he will miss us too!) We are not going to replace him until the start of the new term but in the summer holidays will be employing contract cleaners in the interim.

The rest of the staffing arrangements will stay the same, although Mrs Keast will drop to 2 days a week for a year with Class A and Mrs Gamble will teach 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ days a week.

Year 1-5 reports have gone out. Although there is no parent's evening scheduled please do come and make an appointment if there is something you would like to discuss.

Still to come

Class B are hosting the Church assembly on Tuesday 30th June then all KS2 children are going by bus for the day to Leicester Cathedral to sing in the Richard 111 performance. This is the world premiere of '*The King in the Car Park*' and we are privileged that our children have been asked to take part. So do go along to listen if you can! It starts at 2pm.

Next week we have induction days when our year 5s move to SHS (or CDCC Jack!) and our children in school have 'moving up' days. Our new Year R children will be visiting on 2nd and 3rd July for the afternoon too.

In the final week we have our KS2 performance of *Pirates Versus Mermaids* which everyone is practising for and looking forward to. Please get your tickets from the school office if you would like to come. Then we have a school picnic fun day on the last Thursday, so it's all go!

Our leaver's assembly will take place on the last day of term, Friday 10th July at 2pm to which you are all warmly invited. Then it's another year over and the end of my second year as the head teacher and I have to say where *did* the time go. We say good bye and good luck to the children who are leaving us and we will be welcoming back our new Y1 to 5 children and our new starters.

Have a wonderful summer holiday and see you on Tuesday 1st September 2015.



Mrs E de Looze
Head teacher

