

Belton C of E Primary School

Newsletter 10

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Please join us for the Remembrance Day Service this Sunday – 11th November

We will be leaving the village hall at 10.50am to join the procession to church for laying the wreaths at the memorial. Please do join us with your child, dressed in school uniform, to represent the school. We hope to see you there.

5 ... 4 ... 3 ... 2 ... 1 ...

BLAST OFF!!

What a fantastic time the Tigers had at the National Space Centre in Leicester on Monday!



"They float in space even when they are asleep!"



"Tim Peake is
an
Astronaut"

"Astronauts
can't stay on
the floor
because there
is no gravity
in space"

Take time to have a look at the Maypole in Belton Market Place. It has been decorated with the painted poppies made by the children from water bottle bases. It looks amazing!

The church is looking stunning and has been decorated with thousands of handmade poppies made by people in Belton village and is well worth a visit. The displays will be there for the next few weeks and the church is open every day.

Well Done Belton School!

We were delighted to receive this letter from
Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP, Minister of State for School Standards
and wanted to share it with you.



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards

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Mrs Elizabeth De Looze
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31 October 2018

Dear Mrs De Looze,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on your school's outstanding achievement in the 2018 phonics screening check.

Achieving early fluency in decoding is a necessary first step in acquiring the key skill of reading.

There is a significant body of evidence, which demonstrates that systematic phonics is the most effective method for teaching early reading. We want to ensure that every child develops a firm grasp of phonics, which is why I was delighted to see your results. With 100 per cent of pupils at Belton Church of England Primary School reaching or exceeding the pass mark in the check, your school is in the top 3 per cent of all primary schools in the country.

This year's figures show that 89 per cent of pupils who achieve the expected standard in the check go on to achieve at least the expected standard in key stage 1 reading teacher assessment, which underlines the importance of developing the ability to decode words effectively at an early age.

Your success in teaching phonics and early reading so effectively means your pupils are developing a firm foundation in reading, from which they can become increasingly fluent and develop a lifelong love of reading.

Thank you for your work in this vital area of a child's early education and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Governing Body News

The Governing body finance committee met on Thursday evening. We said goodbye to Mrs Wardell who has been a long standing member of the governing body and we welcomed Denise Boulton as our new foundation governor.



Cross Country News

On Saturday 3rd November five of our children took part in the second cross country race at Prestwold Hall. Everyone ran well. Well done to Holly, Eden, Cara, Ruben and Dylan.

News from the Sea Otters

Mrs Cobbin was delighted with the fantastic homework produced by the Sea Otters commemorating the end of WW1.



Christingle Candle

All children have been given a Christingle Candle (with instructions on how to build it) which we ask that you fill with coins. Please return your filled candle to school or take it to the Christingle Service in Belton church on Sunday 9th December.

All money raised goes to the Children's Society. The money collected will mean children who need care, security and support can look forward to Christmas for the very first time.

Christingle.org

FOBS NEWS

Please return the stubs, money and any unsold tickets for the Christmas Raffle to the school office. If you are able to sell any more tickets to your friends and neighbours please pick up some extra raffle books from school. There are lots of brilliant prizes. The draw will take place on 20th December.

Aviva Community Grant

Have you voted?

We have applied for a grant for a PA system, stage lights and an outdoor stage. Please log in and vote using this link -

<https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/voting/campaign/getinvolved>



Smiling faces from the Friday Storybugs after school club.

Coming up!

BeSkilled News

On Monday after school our support staff are going to Oxley school with staff from St Botolph's, Long Whatton and Diseworth Schools for staff training on promoting independent learning.



Sportshall Athletics

On Tuesday our Year 5 and 6 Sportshall Athletics team is competing at Charnwood College. On Thursday 15th November our Year 3 and 4 and Year 5 and 6 Tri-golf teams are competing at Iveshead School. We wish all our teams well.



The Owls are looking forward to their visit to the Sudbury Hall and the National Trust Museum of Childhood on Thursday next week, 15th November.

As historians they will be travelling back in time to the reign of Queen Victoria exploring how toys have changed over many years. The children will need to come to school in their school uniform with a warm coat and will need a packed lunch and drink in a named bag.

Please make sure your child is at school by 8.30am at the very latest on Thursday morning. We plan to be home around 3.30pm and will text you if there are any changes.

Next week is Anti-bullying Week and the theme is

"Choose Respect".

In our assembly on Thursday the children will learn about the various types of bullying and what to do if they think they are being bullied. Bullying is not a one-off incident but rather behaviour that is repeated and intentional.

The definition we use in school is

Several Times On Purpose.

Mrs Robe, Family Outreach Worker.

Our anti-bullying and behaviour policies are on the school website and available as hard copies from the school office if you prefer. Please feel free to talk to your child's class teacher or Mrs de Looze if you have any questions, comments or concerns.



Children in Need Non Uniform Day Friday 16th November

On Friday there will be fun Children in Need activities in school. Please come dressed in dots if you can (or your own clothes) and bring a suggested donation of £1.

Annual Children in Need Ramble

To all parents and carers of our children: come and join us for the annual Children in Need Ramble. All our children and staff will be taking part. ***Please make sure your child is dressed suitably with wellingtons and coats, hats and gloves.***

Please meet at school at 1.15pm. FOBS are providing refreshments in the school hall after the ramble.