Belton C of E Primary School Newsletter 5 Spring Term 8th February 2019

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Parking

If your child comes to school by car please have respect for our school neighbours and park safely and carefully when dropping off and picking up your child from school. Remember you can park safely at the reccy and walk the last few yards to the school gates.

WOW!

What a fabulous day we all had on our House Day

On Wednesday the children worked in their house groups for a STEM day. As Scientists, Technologists, Engineers and Mathematicians they worked in their house groups and looked at different topics.

Beech – the children carried out a survey on the different birds in the village and then created their own bird feeders out of recycled plastic and cardboard. They also made bird cakes with seeds and coconut oil.

Willow – made some slime and looked at its properties. They read the book Iggy Peck the architect and then as architects they build bridges and zip wires and tested them with crème eggs!



Oak – Mrs Jones set us the challenge of building a tall strong tower. The only materials we could use were spaghetti and marshmallows! Our ability to work as a team, problem solve and take risks were all put to the test. We discovered that triangles are stronger structures than squares and the taller the structure, the weaker it becomes. We had a wonderful day where every member of Oak showed great perseverance!





Ash – designed and built party planes which were judged by Mrs de Looze. These were made using recycled junk modelling materials.

Gymnastics Team News



Our Year 3 / 4 gymnastics team, Cara, Edith, Molly and Isabella, who competed in the Key Steps 2 competition on Tuesday 29th January at Iveshead School.

Staffing News

We have welcomed two new members of staff this term, Miss Jessop and Mrs Jackson, both of who, are working in the Owls class. We also welcome two student teachers on placements for this term, Miss Harrison in the Owls class and Miss Cicek in the Sea Otters class.

On Thursday 31st January the Year 5 / 6 gymnastics team competed in Key Steps 3 at Iveshead School. They performed really well and Mrs de Looze said the standard of their performances was extremely high and they were excellent ambassadors for our school.



Thank you to all the parents and carers who came and enjoyed the assembly in school on Tuesday 5th February.

This was led by the Tigers who entertained us with a retelling of Jack and the Beanstalk.

Please join us in church for our next monthly class led assembly on at 9am on Tuesday 5th March This service will be led by the Sea Otters.

All very welcome

Lions Residential trip to Scarborough Tuesday 7th May – Friday 10th May



The Lions are getting very excited about their four day residential to Scarborough. The children will be staying in a hotel we have used before and will be visiting Eden Camp, Scarborough Castle and The Deep in Hull as well as having time for the beach and an ice cream or two! Please make sure your permission slips and deposit are with the school office as soon as possible.

Design a Thank You Card for FOBS

All entries must at the school office by Thursday 14th February. The winning design will be printed onto thank you cards sent out by FOBS.

There will be no football club after school next week, Thursday 14th February as all KS2 children will be taking part in a cross country race at Iveshead School. Fingers crossed the weather stays kind!



Non Uniform Day and Red Nose Day – Friday15th March This year we will be selling red noses in school. Donate a £1 to wear your own clothes.



Advance notice for your diaries Belton Mayday Celebrations Saturday 4th May 2019 All children will be involved and will be dancing.

We break for the half term holidays on Friday 15th February and start back to school on Tuesday 26th February. School is closed to pupils on Monday 25th February.



Parking issues at school times.

Dear Parents and Residents,

We are writing to you to inform we are looking into the issues of obstructive and dangerous parking on the roads around the school. The Police are working with the school staff and students, North West Leicestershire District Council and local residents to address this issue.

After receiving several complaints from concerned parents, members of the public and local residents, we have to make it clear that under no circumstances should there be any parking which causes an obstruction or is a danger to pupils attending the school.

Parking on yellow lines, double-parking, pavement parking, blocking driveways, parking on zig-zag lines and ignoring school crossing patrols **A**LL place children at risk and are illegal. Drivers and children need good visibility around schools to be able to see each other.

We have also received reports of 'near misses' regarding pupils accompanied by adults being hit by cars driven by parents.

Many Safety Zones carry a 20mph speed limit helping to create awareness to drivers passing the school of the presence of a large number of young students that may step out into the roadway suddenly.

It saddens school staff that despite numerous warnings about the lack of thought demonstrated by a small minority of parents, these safety warnings about parking and driving standards are blatantly ignored.

As the local Safer Neighbourhood Police Team, we will be observing the conduct of unsafe/illegal parking/driving and be taking the appropriate action.

We are seeking your co-operation in resolving this matter and making the area around the school a safer place for all.

We look forward to your help.

Yours faithfully

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