

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Belgrave,



We always see such great progress and a maturity in pupils during the spring term. There has been a lot of exciting and creative teaching and learning since Christmas with some great historians and geographers at work. Year 2 have recently enjoyed learning about the world by creating world maps with salt dough. They sang some world songs first (Year 2 just love singing!) then had a go at drawing their maps and finally creating their masterpieces from salt dough and painting them.

It's great to see so many pupils participating in sports competitions this term and there are plenty

more booked in for the rest of the term. A huge thank you to the parents who continue to support us with transporting to matches and games.



BEDTIME STORYTIME

We were delighted to have such a fantastic turnout for our KS1 Bedtime Stories event last week. Thank you to everyone who came along. It was so lovely to see so many children with their parents and teddies enjoying stories together. We hope you enjoyed hearing the stories in front of the roaring fire ... and the milk and cookies too!



ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE SCHOOL



Isaac in Year 1 has been really busy at home making and painting a bird feeder which he has kindly donated to school. Mr Amner is going to put it in the Forest School area and we hope to have some birds feeding from there very soon. Well done and thank you Isaac. 😊

Holly in Year 1 has achieved her first swimming certificate which she is very proud of. Well done Holly – this is a fantastic achievement. 😊



Ananya in Year 3 recently passed her Grade 1 Indian classical dance (Bharatnatyam) with a distinction grade. Fabulous achievement Ananya! 😊

Logan in Year 1 won 'Managers Player of the Year' Trophy at his football club (Westminster Park FC) last Saturday and is extremely proud! Well done Logan! 😊



GIRLS FOOTBALL MATCHES BY TRUDY, AMELIA AND MARGAUX



On Thursday, we won both league matches winning our first one 2-0 and the second one 5-0.

Year 6 team members: Margaux, Ciara, Erin, Emily, Trudy, Amelia and Heidi

Year 5 team members: Isla, Holly and Alys.

On Friday, we played in the county finals in Crewe, winning 2 games and losing 1 in the group stages.

Unfortunately, we lost 2-1 in the quarter finals not making it into the regional finals. Team:

Trudy, Margaux, Emily, Heidi, Ciara, Amelia and Erin.

We are really proud of the girls, their enthusiasm and team effort – well done! Also huge thanks to Mr Moss and Mr Stark for taking the girls to Crewe on Friday.



MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNING BOARD

January is always a great time to take stock and plan ahead, and this is true of Belgrave Governing Board.

Our new governors have taken on the roles of 'link governor' (who focus on specific aspects of the school) for curriculum and for mental health and well being.

This last week, our English link governor has taken the opportunity to shadow an external audit of our teaching of phonics. We've commissioned this audit to

help us validate and where necessary improve our adoption of the Monster Phonics framework, and the feedback we've received was very positive and full of actionable advice.

Our next Governing Board meeting is in early February.

Once again, feel free to contact us via the school office if you are interested about the role of governor.

Belgrave Governing Board

UNIFORM AND JEWELLERY REMINDERS



A few reminders regarding school uniform and jewellery:

Parents are asked to ensure that children's shoes are safe to run and play in. Shoes need to be flat. Tights and socks should be plain. Boots are not permitted to be worn in school.

We prefer jewellery not to be worn to school. If children are wearing earrings, they must be small studs. To ensure children are safe during P.E. sessions, earrings should be removed before the lesson or covered with surgical tape.

Watches can be worn in Key Stage Two although parents are asked to note that we cannot accept responsibility for loss of, or damage to, personal property.

Please ensure that all of your children's items are clearly labelled. Any lost property is listed on Class Dojo half termly.

CHINESE NEW YEAR



Reception have been celebrating Chinese New Year. Mrs Wong (Moses and Makayla's Mum) came to talk to the children about the traditions around New Year, they tried using chopsticks and learnt about the Lion dance! She also brought lucky money envelopes too! Reception children have been doing their own Chinese New Year dancing and playing musical instruments in PE.

YEAR 6 TRIP TO SAFETY CENTRAL



Year 6 went on a trip to Safety Central in Lymm last week.

They took part in many activities learning about how to keep safe associated with fires, road safety, travel, cyber, building sites, water, accidents at home, bullying, keeping healthy, the countryside code and first aid.

The day was full of interactive information and practical activities starting and ending with an interactive quiz to test knowledge and understanding. Sounds like a fantastic and informative day!

AND FINALLY.....

- There will be a **parent event** on Wednesday 1st March 3.30pm – 4.30pm for you to learn more about your child's journey through maths at Belgrave. This event is adult only and more details will follow shortly. Belgrave pupils can be booked into The Happy Hive for the cost of £4.50.
- Please continue to let us know of any achievements made outside school so that we can share them in our newsletters. Please send them by email to admin@belgrave.cheshire.sch.uk

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DIARY DATES

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February	
Tues 14 th	Year 5 and 6 trip to QPHS to watch Billy Elliot
Fri 17 th	Last Day of Half Term
Mon 27 th	Inset Day
Tue 28 th	Pupils return to school
March	
Wed 1 st	Parent event in school hall – Your child's journey in Maths at Belgrave 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Thurs 2 nd	World Book Day (more information to follow)
Sat 18 th	Choir to Winsford Academy – North West Singing event TBC
Mon 20 th	Year 6 Dental Survey
Tues 21 st	Year 4 Residential Meeting 4.30pm in Year 4 classroom
Tues 28 th	Pupil Learning Reviews 1.10pm – 5.00pm
Wed 29 th	Pupil Learning Reviews 3.30pm – 6.30pm
Fri 31 st	Last Day of Term – School Closes at 2pm (No Happy Hive after school club)
April	
Mon 17 th	Pupils return to school
Mon 24 th	Year 3 Residential Meeting 4.30pm in Year 3 classroom
Tues 25 th	Year 5 Residential Meeting 4.30pm in Year 5 classroom
Wed 26 th	Year 4 residential visit to Tattenhall (1 night)
Thurs 27 th	Year 4 return from residential
May	
Mon 1 st	Bank Holiday – no school
Tue 2 nd	Return to School
Mon 8 th	Additional Bank Holiday His Majesty's Coronation – no school
Mon 22 nd	Year 3 residential visit to Delamere (1 night)
Mon 22 nd	Year 5 residential visit to Conway Centre (2 nights)
Tues 23 rd	Year 3 return from residential
Wed 24 th	Year 5 return from residential
Fri 26 th	Last Day of Half Term
June	
Mon 5 th	Inset Day
Tue 6 th	Pupils return to school
Thurs 8 th	Tempest Class Photographs
Mon 12 th	Year 6 residential to London (2 nights)
Wed 14 th	Year 6 return from residential
W/b 19 th	Interfaith Week
July	
Fri 21 st	Last Day of Term – School Closes at 2pm (No Happy Hive after school club)