

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Belgrave,

This will be the final newsletter of this academic year and we say goodbye to our amazing Year 6 class. It's been a busy half term and we still have the KS2 performance of 'Robin Hood and The Sherwood Hoodies' to look forward to!



We have been celebrating neurodiversity at Belgrave and how we are all different! Reception have been busy painting their own umbrellas and Year 5 have been recording their own really thoughtful ideas when finding out about neurodiversity. They discussed the concept of 'fair and equal' and realised that it can be interpreted in different ways. They realised that it is about giving people what they need, rather than assuming everyone should have the same. We are pleased to be hosting a parents Neurodiversity group this week at school.

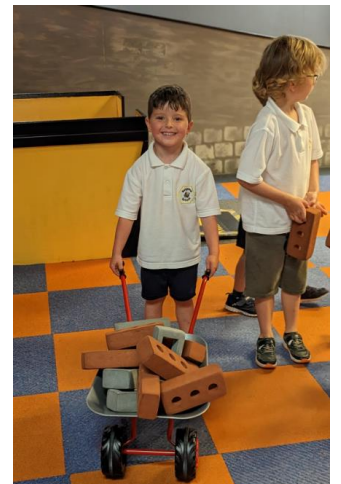


RECEPTION VISIT TO IMAGINE THAT!



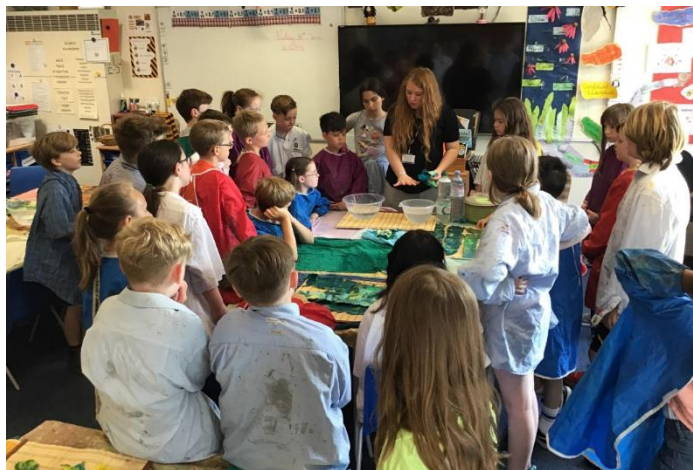
Reception enjoyed an action packed day out at Imagine That in June. They enjoyed many role play areas and had a fun packed day!

It was a sleepy coach ride back to school with pupils exhausted from the day's activities!



YEAR 5 ART PROJECT

Mrs Hancock is excited about the current art project that Year 5 are undertaking:
 “We’ve had a busy day today... we’ve met our goddess of the sea (Deva-Dee-Diver to call her by the name we’ve chosen) and produced the final pieces to finish her off. The next time we see her, she will be complete and in situ on The Rows (exact location to be disclosed at a later date) in September.”



Year 5 have been given the amazing opportunity to be involved in Chester Contemporary, a new visual arts event which will feature new and existing work of international and Chester-based contemporary artists, including emerging artists.

We are working with an artist called Lucy Dentith to create an innovative and inspirational piece of art themed around the Old Port of Chester for the Art Trail that will be positioned on The Rows from 22nd September until 1st December 2023.

“We began today by making felt that will become seaweed! It was quite a feat of organisation, careful listening and following instructions for everyone to do their own individual piece!”

PRICE INCREASES AT THE HAPPY HIVE FROM SEPTEMBER 2023

Club time	Current price	New price from September 2023
Morning Club from 8.30am	£1	£1.50
Morning Club from 8.00am	£3.00	£3.50
After school club until 4.15pm	£4.50	£5.00
After school club until 5.30pm	£10.00	£10.50

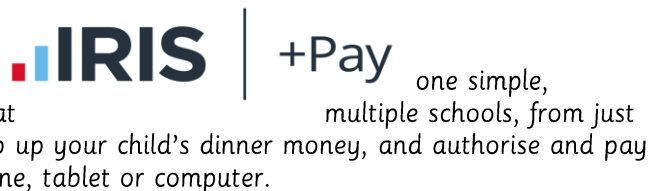
Please note: From September 2023, any cancellations need to be made with 24 hours notice or you will be charged.

PARENT MAIL AND PARENT PAY

The Learning Trust have decided to change the payment method at Belgrave from SchoolMoney to ParentMail to align with the other schools in the Trust.



ParentMail brings all your school information together in convenient application! Whether you have one child or more at one account you can manage school communications, top up your child’s dinner money, and authorise and pay for trips and other items quickly and easily on your smartphone, tablet or computer.



We will inform you about items you need to pay for through ParentMail, and you will be able to pay electronically, using any major credit or debit card and PayPal. You can also pay using cash via your nearest PayPoint retailer. All transactions are secure as all communications with the bank are encrypted, just like purchasing from online retailers.

Registering with ParentMail is very easy. In due course we will send you an email asking you to register.

Please remember that once you have registered, it is important that you keep us updated with your email and mobile numbers so we can make any changes necessary and ensure you do not miss out on important communications.

INTERFAITH WEEK

We enjoyed an Interfaith week at school with many visitors coming in.

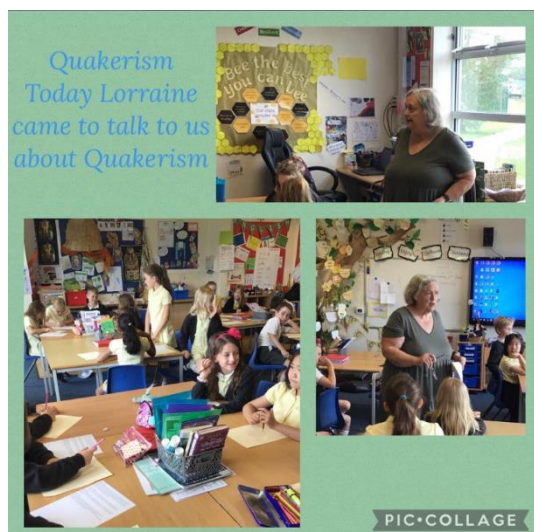
Two classes in KS2 have met Arfana who shared information about Islam and two classes in KS1 heard a Christian story about kindness and helping others.



As part of our Interfaith week at Belgrave, we learned about Quakerism and wrote some acrostic poems using words associated with Quakerism. Many thanks to Lorraine for coming to talk to us.

Our Inter Faith week concluded with a sharing assembly. Keith, who was one of our visitors, was pleased to hear from children about new learning covered during the week.

Thank you to Mrs Salter for organising a very interesting week, we have enjoyed having visitors from different faiths. We reflected on how this week links well to our No Outsiders ethos of celebrating difference.



DISTRICT SPORTS



Belgrave athletics team took part in the Chester District Athletics tournament at Ellesmere Port Sports Village. Everyone did brilliantly representing the school in a positive way. A special well done to Erin who won the gold medal for the rounders ball throw. Also to Owain, Elliott, Harry and Matthew who made the Year 5/6 relay final and Harry again for making the Year 5 sprint final. Well done everyone 😊

MIDSUMMER WATCH PARADE



Thank you to Year 2 parents, grandparents and siblings for a special afternoon at the Midsummer Watch Parade 2023. It was a brilliant turn out following a morning workshop making the props for the event. You were all amazing!



ECO LEADER EVENT

Daniel and Iris from Year 4 recently attended an Eco Leader course at Hoole Lawn Tennis Club linked to sports.

Iris and Dan:

“We went to Hoole Tennis Club to learn how to create sustainable and eco-friendly games outside and inside and to make our community more eco-friendly. We came up with 3 ways to make our school a better place for the environment.”

We look forward to hearing all about this in a follow up assembly. Thank you to Mrs Amner for accompanying the children to the training and continuing to encourage all of our pupils to be more eco-friendly.

ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE SCHOOL



Heidi in Year 6 recently competed with her cheerleading team Chester Royal Jaguars in the ICE competition in Stoke-on-Trent coming 3rd in the group cheer with the Cheetahs group and 8th in stunt with Sapphires. The competition was a high standard so they did amazingly well. Well done Heidi! 😊

Verity in Year 1 completed her first Royal Academy of Dance ballet exam. She did very well and enjoyed the experience, she will find out her mark in September. We are all very proud of her 😊

Logan in Year 1 achieved his yellow belt in Taekwondo.



He also won the trophy for most improved player from his football club - Westminster Park U6's – Well done Logan!



Ciara in Year 6 won the Chester Nomads Zebras Parents' Player of the Season award last weekend. A fabulous achievement – well done!



MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNING BOARD

The local governing board met on the first week of our final half term to review and approve the budget for next year. We are extremely pleased with the school's successful bid for the government's Conditions Improvement Funds, which will be used to rejuvenate our outside perimeter fencing.

We've also reviewed this year's School Development Plan where nearly all targets for the year have been met and we'd like to congratulate the entire staff for all their hard work this year, which is reflected in some preliminary results we've seen across KS1 and KS2.

In the new year we will be running elections for new parent governors. Do not hesitate to reach out, via the school reception, if you would like to discuss the role. We are a nice bunch of governors and are very keen for parents and carers from all walks of life to join us.

Otherwise, please enjoy the rest of the month and have a nice summer break!

Belgrave Local Governing Board

TRANSITION AND STAFFING

Following my letter regarding transition, children have already spent an afternoon in their new classes in preparation for September.

At the end of this academic year we say goodbye to four members of staff retiring from Belgrave.

We wish Mrs Woodman very best wishes as she retires from Belgrave Primary School after an amazing 30 years of teaching here. She has been a dedicated and committed teacher both as a class teacher and teaching French to the whole school.

We also say goodbye to Mrs Clethro who has been a Teaching Assistant for 23 years here. Mrs Clethro has shown care and understanding supporting many pupils both in school and on residential visits as well as at morning and after school clubs.

Mrs Foden has been a Teaching Assistant at Belgrave for 23 years. She has supported children of all ages with interventions and especially with her knowledge and expertise in phonics and reading. She has been fabulous creating wall displays around school.

Finally, we say goodbye to Mrs Price who has worked at Belgrave as a Teaching Assistant for 16 years, supporting pupils with additional needs with patience and nurture. She has enjoyed supporting our Eco Team and organising grounds days.

Miss Fitzgerald will be teaching Mandarin as our Modern Foreign Language from Reception through to Year 6. We are excited to promote the Chinese language and culture within our school and give all of our pupils the opportunity to learn the world's most widely-spoken language.

We welcome Noah Young as our new Teaching Assistant in September.

We wish Miss Buchanan all the very best as she and her fiancé get married during the summer holidays.

KEY STAGE 2 SPORTS DAY

Key Stage 2 were lucky with the weather last Monday to go ahead with their sports afternoon.

Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and friends who came to cheer them on and enjoy the afternoon.

All pupils were very sporting and tried their best.

We hope that the weather is kind to us on Thursday so that we can go ahead with our reserve Reception and Key Stage 1 sports afternoon.



BEST WISHES TO OUR YEAR 6 PUPILS



It's time for us to say goodbye and very best wishes to all of our Year 6 pupils who are moving onto secondary school. I am sure you will join me in saying a heartfelt thank you to all the Year 6 pupils for their contribution to school life and the happiness they have brought to staff and other pupils in their primary journey here. You have

been a superb year group and we all wish you the very best in the next exciting chapter of your lives at secondary school.

Year 6, please remember that you will always be part of the Belgrave family even when you are at secondary school.

We are always here if and when you need us! ☺

AND FINALLY.....

- Reminder: There is no Happy Hive after school on Wednesday 19th and Friday 21st July.
- Please send in any spare size 3 or 4 school black pumps for us to have as spare and / or any white PE T shirts – all sizes. Thank you ☺
- All SchoolMoney accounts need to be in credit in order to book clubs and lunches. Please keep your account in credit and prepay any bookings.
- Please continue to let us know of any achievements made outside school so that we can share them in our newsletters by emailing to admin@belgrave.cheshire.sch.uk
- Please do not use Class Dojo to message staff. If you need to get in touch then email the school office: admin@belgrave.cheshire.sch.uk who will contact the appropriate person.

Juliette Benton
Headteacher



DIARY DATES	
July	
Tue 4 th	Year 5 day at Catholic High School
Wed 5 th	Year 4 at Bridgewater Hall with the Halle Orchestra
Wed 5 th	Year 2 at Belong Village
Thurs 6 th	Rec and KS1 Sports Day 1.30pm – 3.00pm
Wed 12 th	KS2 Performance 1.30pm
Thurs 13 th	KS2 Performance 5.30pm
Fri 14 th	PTA Parent Yoga class
Wed 19 th	No Happy Hive or Multi-skills after school clubs
Fri 21 st	Last Day of Term – School Closes at 2pm (No Happy Hive after school club)
September	
Mon 4 th	Inset Day – no school for pupils
Tue 5 th	First day of term - Pupils back

