

We are delighted to start this week's newsletter by sharing that we have successfully been awarded our Silver Rights Respecting School award which recognises Belmont as being a rights aware school. The accreditation process required us to pull together evidence that outlined how we met each strand of the silver threshold as well as meeting with our accreditor who also met with pupils. Some of the feedback included comments such as "All children agreed that they feel safe at school with pupils saying 'If you needed help a teacher or someone will help you.' Relationships at Belmont are strong".

In other news, Year 3, 5 and 6 have had a great week accessing a workshop and going off site to enrich their learning with visits to Lessness Abbey and the National Army Museum. Year 3 have been learning about the Stone Age and their trip yesterday gave them insight into life at that time. Year 5 have been learning about the Anglo-Saxons and embraced their workshop dressing as Anglo-Saxons. World War I has been Year 6's topic of learning and they thoroughly enjoyed



Pupil Special Achievements & Awards:

Headteacher Postcard: Jazmin (Y2)

Teacher postcard: Picasso class (Y1), Lottie, Elsie, Archie, George F, George K, Emilia, Harry B (Y2) Renzo, Daman (Y3) Vivienne, Noah, Kimaya, Olivia, Erin, Archie, Lexie, Jenson, Arabella, Charlie, Deergh, Suveer (Y4) Tilly, Fayzan, Elsie, Sienna, Harrison P, Sarwan (Y5) Florence, Rohan, Harry (Y6)

Swimming: Harry B (Y2) Isabelle, Bobby (Y3) Samaria (Y5) Max (Y6)

Pen Licence: Tilly, Lucia C (Y5)

Gymnastics: Olive-Rose (Y5)

Blue Peter Badge: Daman (Y3)

Karate: Kirpa (Y3) orange belt

Wrestling: Roop (Y6) gold in southern region competition

Cubs: Cameron (Y4) commendation award, Joshua (Y3)

Trampoline: Neve (Y2)

Football: Imogen (Y1) Nathan (Y4) Velencie, Zac (Y5)

Top Ten Texts: Skye (Y5)

TTRS: Legend: Jayden, Isha, Fraser, Sami, Abhinav, Lacey, Riley (Y6) **TTR Hero:** Roop, Yuvraj, Raj, Mokshu, Lois (Y6)

Panathlon School Games Event: Parker, Amelia-Rose, Rio, Isla-Rose, George, Alfie, Paige (Y3) Suveer, Joshua, Tobi, Hammah, Olivia, Nathan, Erin, Cameron (Y4) Dylan, Lucia E, Sarwan, Tilly, Harrison P, Bethel, Skyla, Ollie (Y5) Leyland, Quinn, Olivia, Dominic, Jaida, Elizabeth, Joshua, Florence (Y6)



Diary Dates:

Thursday 5th December – PTA Elfridges Sale

Friday 6th December – Rock Star Day

Tuesday 10th December – Year 3 & 4 performance at 3:45pm (further information to follow)

Thursday 12th December - Year 5 & 6 performance at 3:45pm (further information to follow)

Friday 13th December – Christmas jumper day & Christmas dinner day

Better Together,
Together



Community/School Links:

Smartphones:

We have been made aware of an online platform called 'Smartphone Free Childhood' which was established this year. It has already amassed a community of over 150,000 parents working together to change the culture around children's use of smartphones.

The website provides useful information and resources for parents and schools and is a resource that as a school, we access and utilise. Please see the flyer for more information or visit their website: <https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/>

Pupil Voice:

Find out what the children in Year 3 and 5 have to share about their trip: "We made Stone Age tools" Edie Y3

"We built a shelter using sticks, stones and leaves" Harry

"We travelled by bus to Lessness and we used sticks to build shelters" Bjorn Y3

"I loved working in a team with my friends" Ambar

"It was just such a great day!" Renzo Y3


"My favourite thing about Anglo-Saxon day was the game called 'Fox and the Geese' even though I lost. I also enjoyed writing my name in Anglo-Saxon Runes because we did it with a quill and ink." Quinn Y5

Notices:

Parking:

The ongoing issue regarding poor parking continues despite our regular reminders to parents/carers. Inconsiderate and poor parking does jeopardise the safety of the pupils and families. The double yellow lines running along the front of the school are there to ensure the flow of traffic and safe crossing and parking. Please do not park on the yellow lines or across the driveways of our neighbours. We have been made aware of 'near miss' incidences that could have seen children and parents injured.

Attendance and Punctuality:

School attendance is mandatory for all pupils. 

This year we continue to have high attendance aspirations for all pupils and have set our whole school attendance target at 96%.

Last week our attendance was 95.6% which is above national and in line with our school target. Wiltshire Class had the best attendance with 100% - well done to pupils in Wiltshire class.

This week our attendance was 95% which is below national and below our school target. Picasso class had the best attendance with 99.7%

Parents are reminded, term time holidays are not authorised and will result in a fine.