



# Belton C of E Primary School

Newsletter - January 2025

## Message from Miss Scott

It has been a lovely few weeks back in school after the Christmas break. I have enjoyed getting reacquainted with the children, staff and parents following my return to work after my maternity leave. Thank you to those who attended my catchup session, it was great to see you all.

The children continue to be a credit to you all. They have been working so hard and I've particularly been impressed with their writing. Currently we are trialling a new approach to writing and the children's enthusiasm for their learning has been wonderful to see!

We also have said goodbye for now to Vicar Louise, who has retired from her Belton post. We have loved having Vicar Louise in school and she has been a great support to us all. We will miss her very much but are excited for her next adventures! On behalf of us all, I thank her for everything she had done for Belton CE Primary School.

Shortly I will be sending out a questionnaire regarding Breakfast and After School club provision. Please do complete it when it comes. This will help inform of any changes needed and our next steps.

As always my door is always open. Catch me on the gate in the morning/ after school, pop in to see me or make an appointment with the school office. I am always happy to see you.

Miss Scott



- Monday 17th Feb—Friday, 21st Feb—Half Term
- Monday, 3rd March—Parents Evening for Badgers, Hedgehogs, Squirrels, Foxes
- Tuesday, 4th March— Parents Evening for Hedgehogs & Foxes
- Wednesday, 5th March—Parents Evening for Badgers & Squirrels
- Friday, 7th March - World Book Day
- Monday, 10th March—Science Week
- Monday, 17th March—INSET Day—school closed
- Wednesday, 2nd April—Parents Maths Morning
- Tues, 8th April—Squirrels Easter Play PM
- Thurs, 10th April - Squirrels Easter Play—Evening
- Friday, 11th April—Easter Holidays



As part of our collective worship this half term, we have looked at the Christian Value of **FORGIVENESS**.

We have looked at different Bible stories such as The Unforgiving Servant - Matthew 18:21-35

This has provided the children with some fantastic opportunities for discussion.



If you have a concern about the safety or wellbeing of a child, you must report this immediately to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) or Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL)

Miss Scott (DSL)

Mrs Yendall/ Mrs Peczek (DDSL)

# SUPERSTARS

## Sports Superstars—Achieving the Best Together



We took 22 children to compete in the North Charnwood County Cross Country Qualifier. We had so many children achieving personal best finishes. The support and team work on show was a joy to watch. Well done to the four children who have been selected for county.



Well done to these four girls in Year 5 who represented the school in a recent gymnastics competition.

1.3 points off first place and county qualification. Squeezed between two schools who both have around 500 children.



Hedgehogs have been showing resilience by learning how to play Jenga. They learnt to keep going even when they found things hard.



In Geography, Badgers class have been learning about trade. They have learnt all about the chocolate supply chain.



In Maths, Squirrels have been using the manipulatives to help them explore division using grouping.



Squirrels have been learning all about the effects of deforestation in their Science topic.



I am pleased to report that the subject of Religious Education (RE) continues to improve consistently at Belton School. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the parents who attended our RE Roadshow last term. It was a resounding success, and I hope that everyone gained valuable insights from the experience. It was truly wonderful to witness our community engaging in thoughtful discussions about religion and diverse worldviews.

Over the past few years, I have observed a significant positive shift in the children's attitudes toward RE. They now view it as an opportunity to express their thoughts openly and to engage in meaningful dialogue with their peers. The quality of discussions we hear throughout the school serves as a testament to the thoughtful and respectful nature of our students.

Recently, we had the privilege of welcoming Mo the Imam, who delivered an engaging presentation about his faith. The children were thoroughly captivated, and during the Q&A session, the Squirrels displayed their curiosity by asking profound questions. We are grateful to Mo for providing videos from Bishop Saju and other Christian leaders, and I would like to thank Mrs McClement for her invaluable support in organising this enriching day.

Last week, I attended the Strictly RE conference, where I connected with fellow passionate RE leaders. I am eager to share the wealth of knowledge I acquired with the children in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your continued support.