



Belton Update

27th August 2021

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

We have had a lovely first week back. It has been so nice to see the children back together again and school feels much more 'normal' with some of the restrictions currently relaxed. Everyone has settled in well, the new Hedgehogs have been a joy to have in school and we welcome them to Belton, as well as Spencer in Year 2. Mrs Yendall and Miss Holley have also had a great week. It was amazing to have assembly altogether in the hall today. It felt so lovely.

NEW CLUB

On Thursday we had a taster session for a new lunchtime performing arts club for KS2, which will take place on Mondays from 6th September.

This half term there will also be a street dance club after school on Mondays (paperwork permitting), initially for KS2 starting from 6th September. There will be a small charge for this club - a letter will be going out next week.

We are also expanding our clubs over lunchtime, with Mrs Jackson's Lego club, Miss Holley's football club, Mrs Pearce, Mrs Stubbs (new Wednesday sports coach) and Mr Vasey multisports clubs. Now we can, the equipment is back over lunchtime for the children to play, for example the large skittles and chess set, hoops and skipping ropes.

After school clubs with Mr Pearce / Mr Vasey

Autumn Half term 1 starting 31st August - Forms on Weduc if your child would like to take part or ring the office

Day	
Monday	Year 3-6
Tuesday	Year 1 and 2
Wednesday	Year 3-6
Thursday	Year 1 and 2

Adventure trail area

I have been asked why it is taped off still. Unfortunately, we have really been struggling in sourcing bark despite trying desperately. I have been told it is due to Brexit and the trade problems etc. We have just managed to order some today so hopefully the delivery won't be too long.

Volunteers and Gardening

If the current guidance remains I am happy to begin the return to having volunteers back in school!

If you would like to volunteer in school, e.g. helping out with reading or the library please ask at the school office.

We would be very grateful for any help you could provide.

I am also on the lookout for anybody who could help us get the sensory garden back on track. With obvious different priorities over the last 2 years it needs some TLC and with staff still having extra



Covid duties we are short on time and people to give it the time it deserves (and we aren't a particularly green fingered bunch!).

The children would also love a gardening club. If anyone could spare any time to help or would like to run a club please do let me know.

Please note we will need to do a DBS check and it is unlikely you will be volunteering in your own child's class. I would expect volunteers to take a lateral flow test before they come into school.

Book Bags

Large bags and rucksacks seem to be creeping back in.

Book bags and drawstring PE bags only please, or sensibly sized PE bags. Rucksacks simply take up too much space and the children should only bring into school essential items so there is no need for such a big bag. We want book bags to be able to be kept in the children's trays.

Hedgehogs and Foxes fruit begins 1st September

This year each class have chosen a charity to work with/raise money for. They will design their own events/fundraisers over the year with something each term.

The Charities chosen are:

Happy hedgehogs: Spikey Critters Hedgehog Care

Fantastic Foxes: TBC

Super Squirrels: Shepshed Toy Library

Brilliant Badgers: The Bridge Project

Certificates:

Happy Hedgehogs:

Star of the Week Tyler and Mason for a fantastic start to school.

However, I am incredibly proud of how well all the Hedgehogs have settled so quickly.

Fantastic Foxes:

Star of the week Spencer and Lewis





Super Squirrels:

Mindset - Bella
Handwriting - Rebekah
Maths - Vivek
Star - Brooklyn

Mathletics - Ivy and Vivek

Readiwriter- Saxon and Alesha

Brilliant Badgers:

Maths Champion - Archie

Star of the Week - Henry

Mindset Champion - Charlie

Handwriting - Cole

Dinners: Week Two next week - £2.35 for KS2 children

Belton's aims for the year.

Each year I draw up a school improvement plan, with the school's main areas of focus. Some of these carry on over a few years. Along with many others, here are some of the main areas we will be focusing on.

Key Target 1 – To re-establish clear expectations in regard to behaviour and attitudes ensuring that all in school grow and succeed.

Key Target 2 – In line with our school vision strapline of 'achieving the best together', to embed wellbeing and support improved mental health across our school community following lockdown.

To reunite the school community by re-establishing Collective Worship following the extended period of lockdown, isolation of year groups and remote contact with the wider school community.

To further develop our school curriculum including a focus on subject leadership.

To review the efficiency and accuracy of the school's assessment procedures and tracking systems to ensure that high quality teaching leads to success in foundation subjects.

To re-establish and extend upon the range of extra-curricular opportunities provided by the school and external providers.

To continue to refine and embed a teaching for mastery in Maths approach in the Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 enabling all to flourish.



To raise standards in oracy within learning across the school.

To continue to refine and embed our approach to the teaching of reading and writing in the Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

Belton C of E Primary School teacher responsibilities 2021/22

Name	Responsibilities
For reference Order of authority	<p>If Miss Scott is not in school this is the order of who is in charge:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mrs Yendall (Senior Teacher) 2. Mrs Peczek 3. Miss Ebbs 4. Miss North
Miss Scott Headteacher	<p>Designated Safeguarding Lead, Prevent Single Point of Contact (SPOC) Designated teacher for Children in Care Welfare of all children and staff Administration of the school Attendance at Governor's sub- committee meetings- Finance and HR, Health and Safety, Standards & Curriculum Curriculum responsibilities: Teaching, Learning & Assessment, PSHE, History and Geography</p>
Mrs Yendall Class teacher (FT)	<p>Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Assessment at Y6 KS2 SATs Assessment at Y5 Overview of KS2 Educational visits coordinator Risk Assessments Mathematics Science MFL Pupil Premium Lead</p>



Miss Ebbs Class teacher (FT)	Deputy Designated Safeguarding lead Outdoor learning Assessment EYFSP and Baseline Computing PE Lead including Sports Premium
Mrs Peczek 0.6 class teacher	English Assessment Y1 and Y2 SATs Overview Assessment EYFSP and Baseline Overview of KS1 and EYFS Learning journeys
Miss North Class teacher FT	Assessment Y3&4 SEND and Inclusion Music and RE Coordinator Staff Governor
Mrs Scarcliffe FT	D&T Art coordinator ELSA

Free School meals – please speak to Miss Scott if you think you may be eligible.

This is available for all children.

If your child is in Foundation and Key Stage 1 please still apply as you will be able to get help with things like uniform and school trips even though you currently don't pay for dinners due to universal free school meals. I have attached the link to the form below but if you aren't not sure please ask Miss Scott or the office as we can help – you just need your National Insurance number.

[Application form for free school meals \(leicestershire.gov.uk\)](https://leicestershire.gov.uk)

If your child is not registered for Free School Meals and you receive any of the following benefits your child may be able to get free school meals:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)



- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- younger than the [compulsory age for starting school](#)
- in full-time education.

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they're in on 31 March 2022.

NUT FREE

As you all know we are a nut free school. There are many items we see in packed lunches that have hidden nuts in them, e.g. chocolate spread and Kinder Buenos so please check.

It is vital that we remain vigilant to what the children bring in for snack and lunch as we have a child and a member of staff in school with a severe nut allergy.

PE and Forest School timetable

Day	
Monday	PE Badgers and Squirrels
Tuesday	PE Foxes and Hedgehogs Swimming Classes blocks of 6 weeks start 31 st August with Badgers
Wed	Badgers and Squirrels Forest School PE Squirrels and Badgers
Thurs	PE Hedgehogs and Foxes
Friday	Foxes and Hedgehogs Forest school

Swimming starts for Badgers (Year 5 and 6) on Tuesday 31st August- PACKED LUNCHES NEEDED

FOREST SCHOOL STARTS NEXT WEEK



Diary Dates (Covid guidance permitting)

**Macmillian Coffee Morning (Year 5/6) 23rd September (A day earlier than the official day).
Parents invited**

24th September Word Guerilla visit - whole school - Performance Poet in school

Tuesday 5th October 9.15 am Harvest in Church (Super Squirrels to lead)

6th - 8th October Year 5/6 residential – Mount Cook

Half term 18th - 25th October

25th October INSET DAY No children in school

1st - 7th November UK Parliament Week

Tuesday 2nd November Brilliant Badgers assembly in Church 9.15am

9th November Superstition in Science trip Brilliant Badgers

23rd November Flu Immunisations

7th December Church Service 6pm in Church

Remember Monday is Bank holiday!

See you on Tuesday 31st.

Have a lovely long weekend.