



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

To the Belmont Family,

I would like to begin this week's message with a big thank you to all those in our community who were able to join us at school for the Home School Partnership evening. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to reflect on the partnership between the children, the school, and families, and to explore how we can continue working together for Belmont. Particular thanks go to the members of the PTA and Governing Body who helped make the evening such a success. We look forward to building on this momentum in the weeks ahead as we continue to strengthen these vital aspects of school life.

It was also a pleasure to welcome our Governing Body to Belmont on Thursday as part of the annual Strategy Meeting. During this session, Governors were able to contribute to the ongoing School Development Plan - a summary of which will be shared with parents in the coming weeks. It was a very positive and productive discussion, with Governors and school leaders all playing a role in shaping the near, medium, and long-term direction of the school. If you, or someone you know, are interested in becoming more involved with the Governing Body, please keep an eye out for future opportunities to join.

In other news, congratulations once again to our newly appointed House Captains - we are excited to begin working with you to help shape the direction of the houses over the coming year. I would also like to commend all of the children of Belmont for the mature and composed way they conducted themselves during our recent fire drill. We will continue to refine these important safety routines, and will keep parents informed as we practise other drills to ensure the whole school community feels confident and prepared for any situation that may arise.

Finally, a rallying call to get behind the Red Roses this weekend as they head to Twickenham for what promises to be an incredible final. I shared with the children in assembly how inspiring both teams' journeys have been - particularly the Canadian squad, who are defying their semi-professional status to compete on such a remarkable stage.

However you spend your weekend, I hope it is an enjoyable one, and I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Best Wishes,

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Michael Venn-Coffey

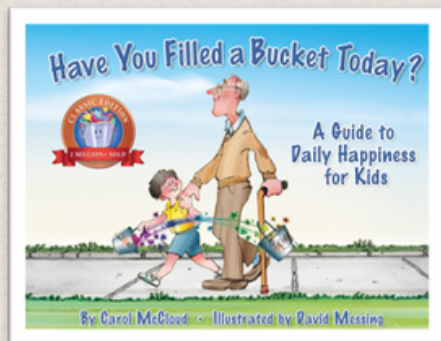
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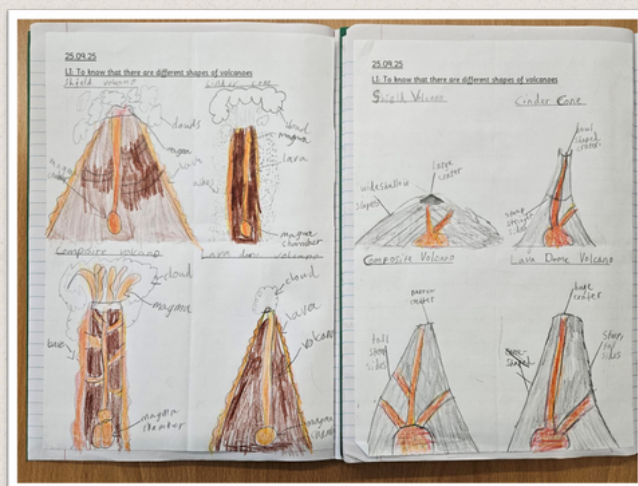
Reception

Well done to all of the Reception children that have just completed their first full week of school! This week, they have been learning how to fill each others buckets with kind words and deeds. They have also made their own special buckets to take home and share with their families.



Year 3 - Willow & Elm

Year 3 have been learning all about volcanoes this week. We learned that there are 3 main types of volcano but that there are also 4 main shapes. Here we drew the 4 main shapes and labelled them.



Year 4 - Rowan & Maple

Year 4 have been learning all about Roman numerals this week. We completed a fun relay activity and added and subtracted different numerals. We have also been busy researching different aspects of Anglo-Saxon life for the information texts we are writing in English.



Black History Month

We are excited to launch this year's Black History Month celebrations under the powerful theme "Standing Firm In Power and Pride."

Starting on 1st October, our school will honour the richness of Black heritage, culture, and contributions through a variety of engaging and educational activities.

- On 1st October, children from Reception to Year 1 will enjoy an African cultural workshop, introducing them to the vibrancy and traditions of the continent.
- On 2nd October Pupils in Years 2 and 3 will take part in an African drumming workshop, experiencing the rhythm and unity of African music.
- On 17th October, we welcome the Freshwater Theatre Company for a special workshop titled "Breaking Barriers: Listening to Africa." This interactive session will share powerful stories from Black pioneers and celebrate African heritage through storytelling and drama.

Throughout the month, each class will also focus on learning about a significant Black British pioneer! There's so much to look forward to as we celebrate, reflect, and stand firm together in power and pride.

Please login to MCAS, outstanding payments, to pay the £4 cost for the workshop.



Y2 - Great Fire of London

This week Year 2 stepped back in time for an exciting day in 1666! The children dressed up and threw themselves into the drama of the Great Fire of London passing buckets, baking bread, galloping on horses, and rowing boats to safety. They even met Samuel Pepys, the mayor of London and King Charles II. With lots of acting, laughter, and imagination, the children had a fantastic day bringing history to life!




Cine Film School Academy

🎬 Enjoy the Silent Film 🎬

Created, produced, and directed by Belmont's Cine Film Academy last term, this short film is now in the running for a Best Picture nomination at the Children International Film Festival this May!

At Cine Film Academy, students don't just watch films - they make them. From brainstorming ideas to selecting music and sound effects, every step of the process is hands-on and creative. The result? An original short film that's always a masterpiece.




CINÉ
SCHOOLS

🎪👤 Step Right Up! Special Menu – Thursday 2 October 🎪👤

Join the fun under the big top with our Fun at the Circus Menu!

Tasty treats, exciting flavors, and lots of circus fun await—don't miss out!


Book your school dinner or packed lunch today via MCAS and join the show!



FUN AT THE CIRCUS!

- Special menu day -

Flying Tiger Burger
(G, E, Mk, So)
or
Falafel Funfair Burger
(G, Se)
~
Chico the Clown Coleslaw
(E)
Ringmaster's Carrots
~
Contortionist's Chips
~
Rocky Road Popcorn Bite
(Mk, So)



**LOOK OUT!
ALLERGENS**

<i>Ce</i> = Celery	<i>F</i> = Fish	<i>L</i> = Lupin	<i>Mu</i> = Mustard	<i>Se</i> = Sesame Seeds
<i>Cr</i> = Crustacean	<i>G</i> = Cereals containing	<i>Mk</i> = Milk	<i>N</i> = Nuts	<i>So</i> = Soya
<i>E</i> = Eggs	Gluten	<i>Mo</i> = Molluscs	<i>P</i> = Peanuts	<i>Su</i> = Sulphur Dioxide

Attendance

Secondary School visits & exams

If your child will be attending a secondary school open day, please forward the email confirmation/booking to messages@belmont.hounslow.sch.uk in order that absence can be authorised. Please note that children should attend school before and/or after open days as only one half day session will be authorised.

If your child will be sitting an exam for secondary school, please forward a copy of the confirmation email to messages@belmont.hounslow.sch.uk Children should attend school before and/or after exams as only one half day session will be authorised.

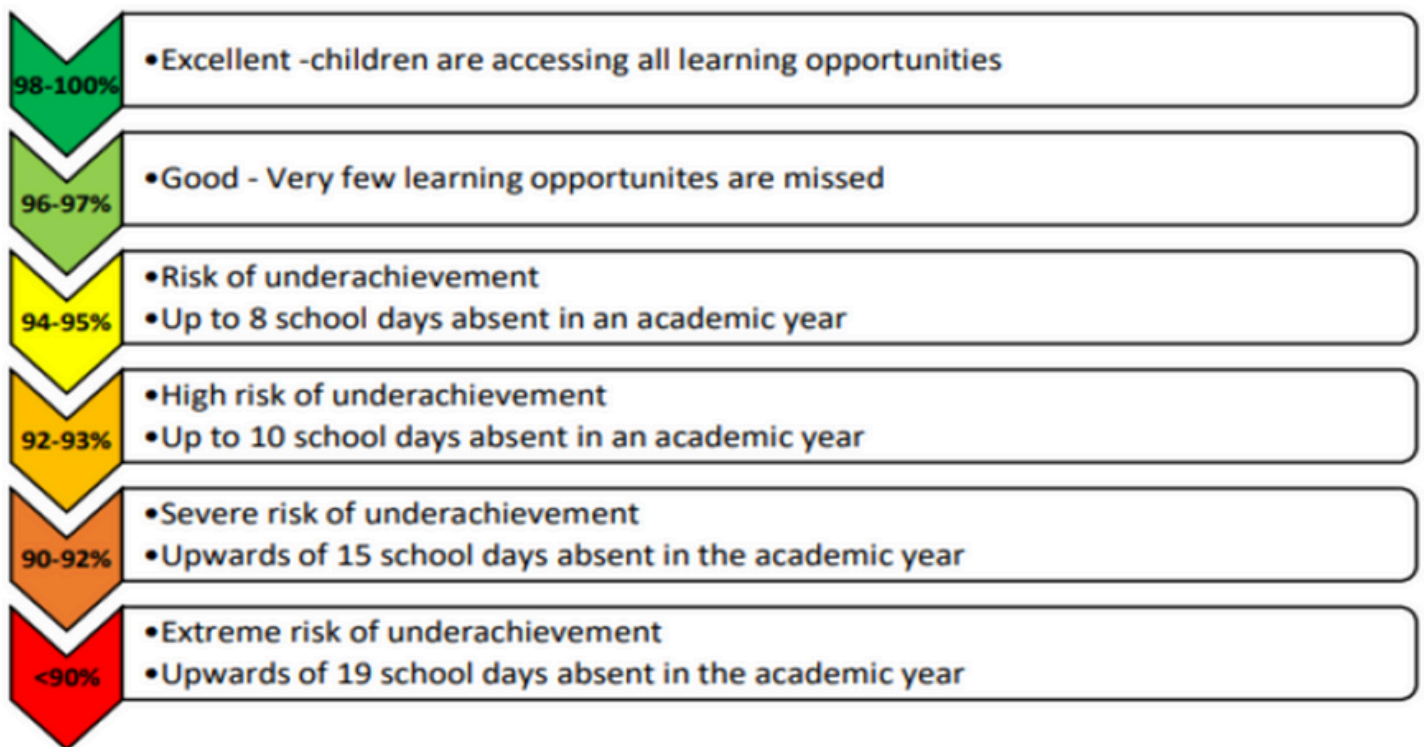
Medical / Dental appointments

Please arrange routine appointments outside of school hours. For any non-routine appointments, in order for absence to be authorised, please forward a copy of the appointment to messages@belmont.hounslow.sch.uk Children are expected to attend school before and/or after appointments.

Please ensure you include your child's full name and class in all correspondence.

Promoting good attendance

We want our children to develop good patterns of attendance and punctuality. Poor attendance is directly linked to lower academic attainment. It also means children miss out on the social side of school life, which can affect their ability to make and keep friendships.



Sometimes children can be reluctant to attend school. Any problems with regular attendance are best resolved between the school, parents/carers and the child. Please do reach out to us if you have any concerns regarding your child/children's attendance, health or general well-being jcrane@belmont.hounslow.sch.uk

Key Dates for the Diary

- Wednesday 1st October - Reception Talk 9am Canteen w/ PTA Meet and Greet
- Wednesday 1st October- Reception & Year 1 - Black History Workshop
- Thursday 2nd October - Year 2 & Year 3 - Black History Workshop
- Thursday 2nd October- Circus Theme School Dinner- see the website for details
- Tuesday 7th October - PTA Forum 7.30pm
- Friday 10th October - PTA Coffee morning and second hand uniform sale
- Wednesday 15th October - Individual and sibling photos
- Thursday 23rd October- PTA Quiz Night
- Friday 24th October - PTA- Y5 Halloween bake sale
- Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October - Half term
- Monday 3rd November - Autumn term resumes