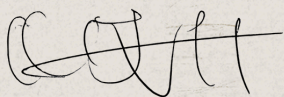

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

To the Belmont Family,

We've made it through January! It has been a lovely, lively week here at Belmont, with such a wide range of learning going on across the school. Children in Year 2 astounded me with their wonderful (if at times gruesome...) writing about the conditions in the hospitals where Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole nursed, while in Year 1 the children were each creating a bright, colourful and creative "Tree of Life". I was delighted to welcome back our Year 6 children just this afternoon and while I regret that they failed in their primary mission (secure a variety of red pandas/ penguins/ other assorted wildlife for our wilderness garden) I am pleased to announce that they had a wonderful day at London Zoo. As ever, on behalf of the staff, a huge thank you to the volunteers from the Belmont community who stepped up (literally, 18,000 steps at the latest count) to support the trip. Without parental support, these trips cannot happen, so thank you, and enjoy a well-earned cup of tea!

Back at school, it was a delight for school leaders to meet with some of our pupil leaders this week. I was pleased to sit with the school house captains, who were working hard to discuss how the playground operates and how we can always look to improve the experience for all children, as well as the school houses and the creative ideas they have for mascots which will be being voted on soon, as well as some inter-house competition ideas they'd like to add to the calendar! Mrs Boyadjian met with the Wellbeing Leaders, who are hard at work getting organised to meet with each class and present a session when we reach Children's Mental Health week in February.

Our Science Team are hard at work on their latest edition of the science newsletter, while the Digital Leaders are getting ready for Sfer Internet day with Mrs Clifton. Finally, we are pleased to announce the creation of a new team, the Library Leaders, who will be working with Mrs Nicholas to help promote our wonderful reading spaces, keep them tidy and continue to raise the profile of reading within the school! This opportunity is open to Years 4, 5 and 6 - while the application deadline still open, it is fast approaching, so if there are any budding Librarians yet to apply, do collect a form from Mrs Nicholas so we can start a new chapter of leadership at Belmont!



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Year 4 - Thames Explorer Trust & Now Press Play

On their trip to the Thames Explorer Trust, Year 4 discussed the features of rivers and then played a floor game which involved creating a natural river habitat and gaining an understanding of food chains and adaptations. They looked at how the environment has changed over time and how pollution and human impact can pose a danger to living things and the environment.

On the pier, the children used scientific equipment to measure the air and water temperatures and the depth of the river. They then performed an experiment to assess the pH of the water in the River Thames. The children considered how the river was used during different historical periods.

A great day was had by all despite the rain!



Year 4 had a fantastic lesson using Now Press Play. In this experience, they learnt about the stages of the water cycle: evaporation, condensation, precipitation and collection. This also linked to their recent writing on explanation texts in English lessons.

While listening to the recording, the children imagined they lived in Ethiopia where there was a drought and water shortage in the village. They then magically started to turn into a water droplet and became a part of the water cycle!



Year 2 - Damsons & Apricots

Our Year 2 children had a wonderful time making their own lanterns with tealights inside to help remember the past. They carefully followed instructions and looked out for bossy verbs like cut, fold, stick, and place. We explored historical artefacts and used Florence Nightingale's famous lantern as inspiration to design our own. The children learned how lanterns were made and why they were important long ago. These beautiful lanterns will be a special part of our Year 2 assembly, where we will share what we have learned about Florence and her work.



Everybody Reads - Mr McDonnell

The bookshop Everybody Reads, on the Chiswick High Road, currently have a fantastic Free Books for Schools Programme, whereby customers can nominate local schools to receive free books each time they make a purchase. Below are some shiny, new, free books that we have recently received as part of the programme. If you are considering purchasing any new books please do call in and support this local business and make sure to nominate Belmont Primary School for free books! Please check out their website for any further information:

www.everybodyreads.com



Year 5 - Science Museum Visit

This week Y5 visited the Science Museum. It was a fantastic opportunity to add to our History and Science learning! We watched a show called 'Mission To Space' joining in many experiments led by the presenter. We collected information about the exploration of space throughout history on our space trail. The children made the most of all the interactive opportunities to broaden their learning.



Year 5 - May 2027 PGL Residential (Isle of Wight)

We are thrilled to announce that we are planning an unforgettable residential adventure for our current Y5 students to **Little Canada** in **May 2027**. This trip is designed to build resilience, foster independence, and provide meaningful outdoor learning experiences away from the classroom.

Trip Highlights & Benefits:

- **Activities:** Students may participate in challenges such as the Giant Swing, Zip Wire, Trapeze, Canoeing, and Raft Building.
- **Personal Growth:** The programme focuses on **R.E.A.C.H.** outcomes: building **R**elationships, gaining new **E**xperiences, improving **A**bility, strengthening **C**haracter, and promoting **H**ealth.
- **Supervision:** All activities are led by trained PGL instructors, with 24/7 support from a dedicated "Groupie" and oversight by school staff.

Please click on the video link below to get a better understanding of the trip and activities.



BELMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL



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YEAR 1-3
4:45-6:00PM

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FEBRUARY

YEAR 4-6
6:15-7:30PM

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Key Dates for the Diary - February 2026

- Sunday 1st February - Class photo deadline for free delivery to School
- Monday 2nd February - Y1 & Y2 Sports Hall Athletics Competition
- Thursday 5th February - Y2 Trip to Paddington
- Monday 9th - Friday 13th February - Children's Mental Health Week
- Wednesday 11th February - Y2 Presentation 2pm
- Thursday 12th February - Y2 Presentation 9.30am
- Thursday 12th February - PTA Disco (see poster for details, tickets on MCAS)
- Friday 13th February - 'Come as yourself' Day - Non uniform (donations on MCAS)
- Friday 13th February - SEND Parent Drop in - 9am Middle Hall
- Friday 13th February - Y3 Valentines Bake Sale
- Monday 16th - Friday 20th February - HALF TERM