Belmont News

BELMONT ACADEMY

Date:
Friday 13th March 2026

It's hard to believe how quickly the first three weeks of this half term have gone! It has been a busy and enjoyable start, particularly with the celebrations around World Book Day, where we saw so many pupils dressing up creatively as their favourite book characters. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm for reading across the school. As part of our "March into Reading" month, we have also enjoyed welcoming parents into school to read with pupils, which the children have really appreciated. There have been lots of opportunities to celebrate reading, including our popular "Drop Everything and Read" sessions and other book-themed activities. We also have a busy period of fundraising ahead, with our Read-a-thon taking place next week and Red Nose Day falling next Friday. Please do keep an eye on ParentMail for further information. Finally, we look forward to seeing many of you at the end-of-term parent-teacher meetings taking place during the last week of term.

Pupil Special Achievements & Awards:

Head Teacher Postcard: Sophia, Phoebe (Y1) Skye (Y6)
Teacher Postcard: Jovan, Olivia, Ayra (R) Simar, Pavneet, Isabella, (Y2) Sarnaee, George H, Ruby, Lottie, Jacob (Y3) Ronnie J, Daman, Sahvan, Akain, Daisy, Millie C, Ronnie, Freddie Holly, Millie M, Logan, Rio, Noah, Bjorn, Samuel (Y4), Finley, Ayla, Nathan, Amba (Y5) Velencie, Zach, Jake, Bethel, Lucas, Avni, Ollie, Sienna, Scarlett, Samaira, Jasmine, Isabella (Y6)
Swimming: Olivia, Freddie (R) Jessica, Florence P (Y1) Charlie, Harper (Y2) Sarnaee, Liam, Gosia (Y3) Alice, Millie C, Millie M, Deergh, Yashitha (Y4) Ronnie, (Y5) Maisie, Maya (Y6)
Gymnastics: Freddie, Olivia (R) Riya, Georgia, Lydia-Rose, Amyra, Livvy (Y1) Harper (Y2) Isla, Ronnie (Y3) Olive (Y6)
Ballet & Tap: Olivia (R) ***Dance:*** Ariella (Y1)
Pen Licence: Arthur, Shazana, Sahvan, Alice (Y4) Finley (Y5)
Football: Tommy (R) Roma, Luca (Y1) Stanley (Y2) George K, Harry, Mason, Harry, Hugo, Riley (Y3) Renzo, Akain, Billy, Jake, Billy, Freddie, Arthur (Y4) Harley, Velencie, Zac, Elsie, Alex (Y6)
Horse Riding: Livvy (Y1) Anna, Lyra, Ruby (Y3)
Theatre Workshop: Neve (Y3)
Rainbows & Brownies: Livvy (Y1) Paige (Y4)
Top Ten Texts: Sophia, Isabella, Jaya, Remi, Stefano (Y2) Dora (Y3) Millie C (Y4) Maya (Y6)
Boxing: Ishaq (Y1) Freddie (Y4) Lexie (Y5) ***Hockey***: Zach (Y6)
Basketball Festival: Nathan, Elise, Sean, Freddie (Y5)
Karate: Scarlett, Isabella, William (Y6)
Badminton: Noah (Y6)
TTRS Rock Legend: Harry, Arthur, Jazmin, Archie, Erin, Sahej, Blake, Alex, Raahat, Lyra, Teddy (Y3)
TTRS Rock Star: Riley, Ronnie, Freddie, Zach, Cooper, Elsie, Esi (Y3)

Pupil Voice:

This year's World Book Day was enjoyed by all. Here's what some pupils had to say:

Tanishi "I loved World Book Day because I loved looking at everyone's costumes and I really enjoyed when Year 4 came down and reading with my partner."

Isla Rose "I thought it was really nice and really fun because of everyone gets to dress up as their favourite book character."

Notices:

Fund Raising:
Belmont raised £329.27 for the PTA 'wear what you love day'. Well done Belmont. All funds help with the air conditioning fund.

Uniform:
We have seen a rise in pupils arriving to school wearing items of jewellery including bracelets and necklaces, trainers (when it is not a PE day) and bringing in items that are not appropriate for school such as lip glosses. This has been particularly noticeable amongst our Year 5 and 6 pupils. Please be ensure your child wears the correct uniform and that items not appropriate for school are kept at home.

Diary Dates:

Wednesday 18th March: Pyjama day for 'March into Reading' month

Friday 20th March: Red Nose Day (info to follow)

Tuesday 24th and Thursday 26th March: spring term parent/teacher meetings

Wednesday 25th March: Y5 local area visit to Erith Pier

Friday 27th March: end of term, 1:30pm finish

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Community Links & News:

Family Wellbeing Coffee Morning:

When: Thursday 26th March from 10:00 to 12:00pm

Where: Family Hub, 105 West Street, Erith DA8 1AW

The coffee morning will focus on internet safety. Running every last Thursday of the month, pop along to enjoy a warm drink, meet other parents and take part in discussions that matter the most from parenting and wellbeing to local family support.

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 95.5%.
Attendance this week: our attendance this week was 95.4% which is above national and our target – well done Belmont. Matisse class had the best attendance with 100% well done Matisse Class.
Week ending 6/3: our attendance was 96.6% which is above national and above our target so well-done Belmont. Hepworth class had the best attendance with 99.5% well done Hepworth class.
Week ending: 27/2: our attendance was 96.8% which is above national and our target – well done Belmont. Matisse class had the best attendance with 99.6% well done Matisse Class.

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