



Dove and Rainbow News

12 May 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is lovely to see the weather improving and the children playing on the school fields, regularly. I find it hard to believe that we are in May with only 9 weeks left in this academic year.

Year 6

A huge well done to all of our Year 6 pupils this week. They have all worked extremely hard and have given their very best in the SAT's tests. We couldn't be more proud. Pizza Hut here we come!

Nursery

From September 2017, we are delighted to be offering free childcare for working parents of 3 and 4 year olds for up to 30 hours per week.

Please speak to Mrs. Sleeman (Nursery Manager) if you would like further details.



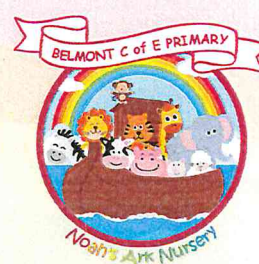
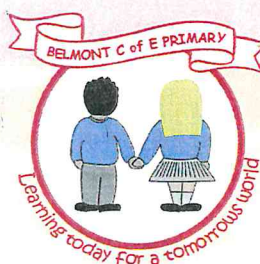
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Parent Governor Vacancies

We have 3 vacancies for Parent Governors. If you are interested in being part of our Governing Body, please register your interest with the School Office no later than Friday 26th May 2017.

Welcome!

A warm welcome to Mrs. Walker, who has joined our office staff and become part of our Belmont family.

Parking

A big thank you to all of you who are parking outside of school campus and walking that little bit further in order to drop your children off. It has made a huge difference to the campus and to keeping our children safe.

Visit to Life Centre

Year 3 and 4 recently enjoyed a very busy day at the Centre for Life as part of their science studies. They took part in a workshop looking at models of the teeth and the digestive system. The highlight of this was making a simulation of the digestion process - from mashing together Weetabix, banana and saliva, creating an oesophagus, then adding stomach acid to their mixture, before finally using some intestines to produce an end waste product. The children enjoyed a planetarium visit, ride on the 4D motion ride, and investigated the puzzles in the centre.

"I really enjoyed the Life Centre. I loved being a scientist in the lab"

Phoebe, Class 6

Diary dates for Summer Term 2017 and New dates added.

Monday 15 th May 2017 – Friday 26 th May 2017	KS1 Statutory Assessment Period: Our Year 2 children will be completing their Statutory Assessment tests during the next two weeks. Attendance during these two weeks is crucial. Thank you.
Monday 15 th May – Friday 25 th May 2017	Christian Aid Week – This year, Christian Aid are supporting the refugee crisis. The money that we raise will help people who are facing difficult journeys in search of a safe place. The Rainbow Friends would like to ask pupils to collect as many 1p and 2p coins as they can to fill up the penny tubs in school. The class that has the fullest tub will receive a class treat, as a prize. We would like to thank you in advance for your support and hope to hear plenty of pennies dropping into the tubs next week.
Wednesday 17 th May 2017	Y5 & Y6 Visit to Eden Camp
Thursday 18 th May 2017	Staff & Governor Coffee Evening – Finance & Curriculum Committee Meetings.
Monday 22 nd May 2017	Walk to School Week - We have lots of fun and exciting activities planned to encourage walking to school.
Monday 22 nd May 2017	Class and Team Photograph's
Monday 22 nd May 2017	Rev. Miranda Threlfall-Holmes – Whole School Worship
Tuesday 23 rd May 2017	Miss Skelton's class will begin their, 2 months, programme of with Durham Cathedral's Choristers. The children will be taught new songs and then will have the opportunity to sing alongside other Primary Schools from Durham, in Durham Cathedral, for family and friends. The concert will be held on Friday 7 th July at the Cathedral.
Wednesday 24 th – Friday 26 th May 2017	Y6 Residential to Robinwood
Thursday 25 th May 2017	Y3 Family Worship – We welcome family and friends to our Year 3 Family Worship.
Friday 26 th May 2017	Non – Uniform Day
Friday 26 th May 2017	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM – Children will return to school on Monday 5 th June.
Monday 5 th June 2017	Return to School
Tuesday 6 th June 2017	Class 9 Athletics Competition
Wednesday 7 th June 2017	School Council to attend Mayor Making Ceremony
Thursday 8 th June 2017	Y6 Leavers Assembly – Durham Cathedral
Thursday 8 th June 2017	New Reception Parents Meeting – 6pm
Monday 12 th – 15 th June 2017	Y1 Phonics Screening – The Phonics Screening Programme for all Year 1 children takes place during the week. Again, attendance is crucial during this week. Thank you.
Monday 12 th June – Friday 16 th June 2017	Y1, Y3, Y4 and Y5 Assessment Week
Tuesday 13 th June 2017	Reception visit to Life Centre Emotional Resilience Workshop for Y6
Wednesday 14 th June 2017	Nursery visit to Butterfly World
Thursday 15 th June 2017	EYFS Father's Day Stay Play 9am – 10.30am
Wednesday 14 th June 2017	Durham DASH

Tuesday 20 th June 2017	NSPCC Assembly – Staying Safe
Friday 23 rd June 2017	Y5 visit Belmont Comprehensive for Science Lessons
Monday 26 th June 2017	Nursery Parents Celebration
Wednesday 28 th June – Friday 30 th June 2017	Prayer space in Schools
Thursday 29 th June 2017	NSPCC Staying Safe Workshops for Y5 and Y6
Friday 30 th June 2017	Parent Activity Afternoon
Monday 3 rd July 2017	Open Evening for new children starting nursery in September 3:45-4:30pm
Tuesday 4 th July 2017	Sports Afternoon
Thursday 6 th July 2017	Cricket Festival Y4 & Y5 EYFS Sports Afternoon 2pm
Friday 7 th July 2017	NSPCC Celebration Assembly Summer Fair
Monday 10 th July 2017	'Moving Up' transition morning
Tuesday 11 th July 2017	Reserve Sports Afternoon
Friday 14 th July 2017	Reports Home
Tuesday 18 th July 2017	Year 6 Leaver's Performance
Wednesday 19 th July 2017	Team Treat
Thursday 20 th July 2017	Belmont's Got Talent! (Talent Show)
Friday 21 st July 2017	Non Uniform Day End of Term Picnic Buffet and Teddy Bear Picnic SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR SUMMER BREAK