



Dove and Rainbow News

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our celebrations for World Book Day were a great success! The children (and staff!) all looked fantastic dressed up as their favourite book characters. Thank you very much for supporting a very special day to help us celebrate the joy of reading.

We were delighted that the planned visits to Durham Cathedral and Newcastle Airport went ahead after all the snow. The children had a lovely time and the weather was very kind!

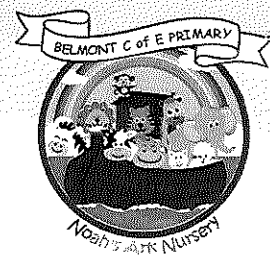
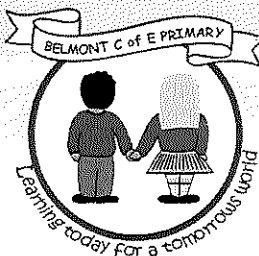
It was lovely to see our Mums, Grandmas and Aunties on Monday at our EYFS Mother's Day stay and play session. The children were very proud to show you their classrooms and their work.

Best wishes,

Mrs. K. Harrison-Brown

Reception Transport Visit

Last Wednesday Classes 1 and 2 went on a trip to experience a variety of different transport. They went to the airport by coach, where they explored the check-in area and watched the planes take off and land. They then got the metro train to North Shields, where they had a ferry trip across the river before meeting the coach again. The children all really enjoyed the trip, with the planes being a firm favourite: "My favourite part was seeing the planes take off. They're really loud!" (Holly E) They were very observant and were able to notice the similarities and differences between places as we travelled; "Wow Miss Warren This is different! There's a river but we haven't got a river...look at all the boats!" (Isla F) The children were all exceptionally well behaved and we are very proud of their behaviour on the trip. A huge thank you to all of the volunteers who supported us on this day. It was a lovely day out and one I am sure that they will remember for a long time.



Class 3 and 4 Durham Cathedral Visit

On Thursday 8th March, Class 3 and 4 enjoyed a wonderful visit to Durham Cathedral. The children were impeccably behaved, impressing staff with their knowledge and enthusiasm. They explored the life of St. Cuthbert through a range of creative activities before re-enacting the journey of the monks in the cathedral itself.

"I loved seeing the Lego cathedral." (Luke)

"It was fun going on the bus." (Nathan)

"We dressed up as St. Cuthbert and learned about his life and prayer at his shrine." (Thomas)

"I liked the story activities and the cuddly otters." (Zoe)

A big thank you to parents and grandparents who helped with this visit.

World Book Day

The children all enjoyed our belated celebration for World Book Day, on Friday 9th March, when they came to school dressed as their favourite book character. The costumes were amazing! Activities and book sharing took place throughout the day. They had fun working out clues for fairy tale characters, writing riddles, fact files, making their own books, and designing their own book covers. Children and staff all had a wonderful time.

Easter RE Barnabas Day

On Tuesday 13th March, Chris Hudson from Barnabas in Schools came to deliver a day of RE workshops on the theme of Easter and Lent. The children enjoyed hands-on sessions involving games, drama and music to help them explore the Easter story.

"In the workshop we acted out part of the Easter story. I enjoyed acting out the scene in the temple as we got to use musical instruments like tambourines." (Lucy)

"We sang songs and he showed us a few different versions of the Easter story. We came to do a workshop and acted out the story" (Tannah-Leigh)

P.E. News

Well done to our School Sports Organising Crew, who worked alongside Durham School Sports Partnership to deliver a mini festival this week. Class 3 and 4 had great fun taking part in a range of athletics activities.

A big thank you to the School Sports Organising Crew for all of their hard work in preparation for Sports Relief next week. They have been busy creating presentations, organising events and resourcing activities to make sure that everyone has a fun filled activity week. Thank you

for the tombola donations received; if anyone has any other donations please drop them off at the reception. Thank you for your continued support.

Unfortunately, football was cancelled again this week due to the weather and water logged pitches. We have our fingers crossed that the fixtures will resume as normal next Thursday.

New School Website

We are pleased to announce the launch of our new website. Our new website can be located at www.belmontceprimary.co.uk

Our fortnightly newsletter and diary dates are posted onto the website and we are looking forward to adding a school Twitter feed.

Garden beds

Please can I ask that parents/carers remind children not to play on the garden beds. There are some bulbs in these beds and it would be lovely to see the daffodils in a few weeks' time.

Nursery- Breakfast and Tea Club

Breakfast and tea club is now open for our Nursery children. Breakfast club is open from 7:30a.m and tea club is open until 5:30p.m. Please see Mrs. James or Mrs. Sleeman for further details or a booking form.

Weekly Behaviour Awards

Week beginning 5th March - 98% of KS1 and KS2 children achieved their good behaviour stamp.

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Last week's attendance

Class 1	96.5 %
Class 2	99%
Class 3	98%
Class 4	98%
Class 5	99%
Class 6	93%
Class 7	99%
Class 8	97.5%
Class 9	99%
Class 10	96.5%

Well done to the four classes who achieved 99%.

Diary Dates

Monday 19 th March – Friday 23 rd March 2018	Sports Relief activities
Monday 19 th March 2018	Parents Evening
	Nursery Celebration Evening
	Infant Agility – Reception Classes
Tuesday 20 th March 2018	Parents Evening
	Multi-Sports Festival - Class 5
Friday 23 rd March 2018	Year 2 Family Worship – coffee from 2.30 p.m.
Monday 26 th March 2018	Egg Decoration – Please can all children bring a hard boiled egg to school to decorate. Paint and some materials will be available in school but children can bring extra items if they wish to help with their creation.
Tuesday 27 th March 2018	The decorated eggs will be on display and the children will be singing. EYFS – coffee from 9.00 am KS1 & 2 – coffee from 2.00 pm KS1 will sing at 2.20 pm KS2 will sing at 2.40 pm
Wednesday 28 th March 2018	Easter Egg Hunt and Team Treat
Thursday 29 th March 2018	Year 1 and 2 performing at Dance Festival at Gala Theatre
	School breaks up for the Easter Holiday

School will re-open for the Summer term on Monday 16th April 2018