

WEEKLY

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th October 2025



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## Message from Miss Taunt

Dear Families,

### Learning Labs

We are proud to partner with Learning Labs Tuition and are working closely with them to support the achievement of children across the school. We share our curriculum with them so they can effectively support our Belmore pupils during their sessions. We are extremely grateful to Learning Labs for offering scholarship places, which will be awarded next term, as well as providing funding to help reduce the cost of some of our more expensive trips. If you are interested in the tuition classes they offer, please contact them on the number below to book a **free consultation**, or fill in the online form to register your interest. **Ms Pav** (Belmore Primary Lead - Project Lead): 07377 849762 [Click here to register your interest:](#)

### Attendance

All children will have received an attendance letter today.

Congratulations to all pupils whose attendance has been above 95% this half term — keep up the great work! If you would like support in

maintaining your child's attendance above 95%, please contact our Attendance Officer, Ms Payne, or Ms Cook.

Attendance percentage		Days missed		Absences	
2025-2026 (Y3)	100.0%	2025-2026 (Y3)	0.0	• No absences	
This time last year	97.3%	This time last year	1.0		
School	94.2%	School	2.1		
National	95.8%	National	0.6		
Local Authority	94.6%	Local Authority	0.8		

Even a seemingly high percentage of attendance can result in missing a great deal of learning over time.

Attendance %	Impact over 1 school year	Impact over 5 school years
100%	0 days missed	0 days missed
96%	8 days missed	1/4 year learning lost
90%	19 days missed	1/2 year learning lost
85%	28 days missed	3/4 year learning lost
80%	38 days missed	1 year learning lost
75%	47 days missed	1 1/4 years learning lost

### PTA Snack Sale

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising the snack sale, which raised almost **£400** for the school. Thank you to everyone who supported the event — we're already looking forward to the PTA Christmas Disco!

We are now on holiday for the next two weeks and look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Monday 10th November**.

Rose Taunt, Head Teacher

## Dates for the week

Click here to book

### Monday 10th November

2K 100% Attendance Non Uniform Day

Anti-bullying Week: Odd sock day - children encouraged to wear odd socks to celebrate difference

### Tuesday

Parent/Carer Coffee Morning 8.50-10am

### Wednesday

Athlete Sports Event

Girls' Away Football Match (Selected children only)

### Thursday

9-11am Stay and Play for 0-4 year olds

### Friday

9am Years 1 and 2 Celebration Assembly. Families welcome to join.

9.45 - School tours, no booking required. New and current families welcome

2.45pm Years 3 to 6 Celebration Assembly. Families welcome to join.

Year 6 Author visit: MG Leonard

[Click here for term dates](#)

# Dates for your Diary

*We want you to be part of our school*

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## Autumn Term 2025

New things that have been added this week will be highlighted yellow.



### Key Dates for the Autumn Term

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from Noun Project

<b>November</b>	Week beginning Monday 10th November	Anti-bullying week Monday - Odd Socks Day
	Wednesday 12th November	Meet an Athlete Event
	Friday 14th November	Y6 MG Leonard Author Visit
	Monday 17th November	9am Open Morning for new Reception children for September 2026
	<b>Tuesday 18th November</b>	<b>Year 1 &amp; 2 Phonics Workshop, 2.30-3.15pm</b>
	Tuesday 18th November	Year 5 and SEND Hub Space Dome Workshop
	Wednesday 19th November	Years 2, 5 and 6 NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe workshops
	Wednesday 19th November	Year 6 Online Behaviours workshop
	Thursday 20th November	Pupil Flu Vaccinations
	Thursday 20th November	Sports Hall Athletics Competition
	Monday 24th November	Year 2 Guy Fawkes Workshop
	Wednesday 26th November	1.00pm Early Finish including Nursery 1.30-6.30pm Parents Evening Slots will be booked on Dojo, more information to follow after half term
	Thursday 27th November	Y6 Gurdwara Visit
	Thursday 27th November	5pm Open Evening for new Reception children—September 2026
<b>December</b>	<b>Wednesday 3rd December</b>	<b>Years 4, 5 and 6 Cooking Workshops</b>
	Thursday 4th December	PTA Christmas Disco
	<b>Monday 8th December</b>	<b>Reception Vision and Hearing Checks</b>
	Wednesday 10th December	9.30am and 2pm Nursery and Reception Christmas Sing-a-long Show
	Friday 12th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
	Tuesday 16th December	9.30am and 2.15pm Year 1 and 2 Christmas Show
	Wednesday 17th December	PTA Christmas Raffle
	Thursday 18th December	Year 6 Visiting Theatre - Macbeth
	Friday 19th December	1.30pm Finish No Nursery all day

### 2026 Dates

3rd February - Year 4 & Choir Young Voices Experience

Wednesday 11th March 2026 - Spring Term Parents' Evening. 1pm school closure; Meetings: 1.30-6.30pm

Week beginning 11th May - KS2 SATs

Tuesday 7th July 2026—Open Evening, 4-6pm

# 24-25 ATTENDANCE

*Attend today, Achieve tomorrow  
Every day counts!*

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If your child is unable to attend school for any reason it is important that you phone the school **before 8am** on the first day of absence and leave a message on the absence line **by calling 01895 462364 and choose option 1.**

**No 100% Non-Uniform Day  
this week**



## Attendance WC 20/10/25

Class	Attendance
NAM	92.0
NPM	87.5
ALL DAY	93.8
EINSTEIN & WARHOL	65.3
RCW	87.2
RW	95.7
RR	90.0
1Q	93.5
1O	94.4
2D	88.0
2R	96.4
2K	97.4
3H	99.4
3F	93.2
3A	85.8
4CH	92.0
4CL	96.4
4Q	87.5
5L	91.7
5F	93.1
5E	89.7
6L	97.7
6M	94.5
6R	98.4

## Top Attendance Classes

The classes claiming the Attendance Cup for the best attendance this year are:

**Lower school - 2K**

**Key Stage 2 - 3H**



**This week's whole  
school attendance**

**↓ 92%**

**Our target is more than 95%**

**Number of children who had 100%  
attendance this Week:**

**↓ 378**



# CELEBRATIONS & AWARDS

*We ASPIRE to be  
the best we can be*

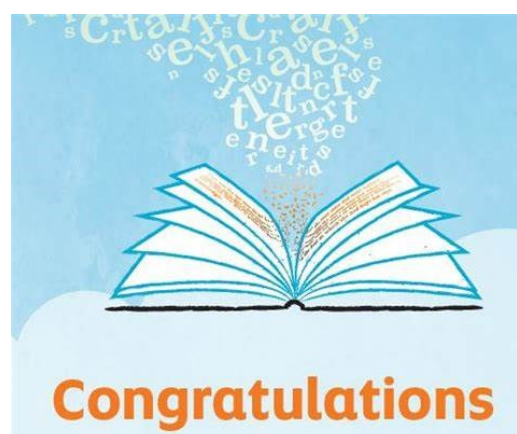
**Our super stars of the week are:**

Class name	Star Pupil
Warhol	
Einstein	
RCW	Jeremiah
RW	Tejasvir
RR	Alfie
1O	Alex
1Q	Areez
2D	Rigvedh & Maya
2R	Hamzah
2K	Zaid
3H	Lavaiya
3F	Poppy
3A	Sara
4CH	Zemar
4CL	Marcus
4Q	Ray
5L	Isabelle
5F	Matei
5E	Zain
6M	Noah
6L	Stanley
6R	Akshen

## PSD Sports Champions

Arya	Luana	Patrick
Umakesh	Bentley	Sulieman
Leah	Bella	Emely
Kevin	Seren	Richa

**Our Readers of the week are:**



Mali	Ameenah
Ibrahima	Harvey
Rigvedh	Caleb
Harley	Jaya
Tudor	Umar
Omid	Abeeha
Rudraksh	
Ilwaad	
Zoya	
Avni	



# HALF TERM FUN WEEKS

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## FUNWEEKS

### OCTOBER HALF TERM

### ACTIVE CAMP



**BE QUICK!**  
EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT  
ENDS ON 22/10/25



 **BELMORE PRIMARY  
ACADEMY**

 **MON 27TH OCT - THUR 30TH OCT  
MON 3RD NOV - WED 5TH NOV**

 **FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 1 - 7**

 **10% SIBLING DISCOUNT**

 **9AM- 3PM**

 **INFO@THEPSDGROUP.ORG.UK**  
 **0203 397 7409**  
  **THEPSDGROUPUK**



SCAN TO BOOK

**SPORTS** 

**ARTS & CRAFTS**

**PRIZES**

**HALLOWEEN DISCO**

#### EARLY BIRD PRICING:

**BOOK BEFORE  
MIDDAY ON  
22ND OCT**

**£18.00**

**BOOK AFTER  
MIDDAY ON  
22ND OCT**

**£19.50**

**BOOK ONLINE:  
WWW.THEPSDGROUP.ORG.UK/PSD-FUNWEEKS**



STAY & PLAY

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Every Thursday morning  
8.45–10.30

**BELMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
BABY & TODDLER  
PLAY & STAY**

**FREE!  
NO NEED  
TO BOOK**

0–4 year olds  
Parent, carers,  
grandparents,  
childminders, all welcome!

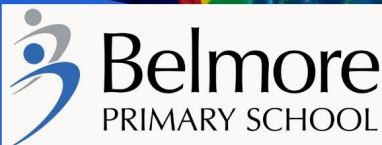
**OPEN TO  
ALL, NOT  
JUST  
BELMORE  
FAMILIES**

Entry through the  
front office

# SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

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We are holding Open Days for families wanting to join our school now and for September 2026. Please share with friends and family who are thinking of joining Belmore.



## Belmore Primary School Open Days

Looking for a school place for September 2026? Come and see our friendly, welcoming school where children love learning and hear from our head teacher why we might be the school for you.

No booking required  
9am - Thursday 23/10  
5pm - Thursday 23/10  
9am - Monday 17/10  
5pm - Thursday 27/10  
Or contact us to arrange an alternative time



[www.belmore.school](http://www.belmore.school)  
[enquiries@belmore.school](mailto:enquiries@belmore.school)  
01895 462 364

Don't forget we also have our weekly tours every Friday at 9.45. Just come to the front office if you want to come and see the school in action. Open to existing and new parents.



### Play at Belmore – Monthly Highlights

#### **Exploring, Digging, and Getting Muddy!**

This month, we've been busy enhancing our outdoor play spaces with two exciting new additions: a **digging area** and a **mud kitchen**!

Both have quickly become lunchtime favourites, providing opportunity for creativity, collaboration, and lots of muddy fun. These areas give children the chance to explore nature, enjoy sensory play, and learn through hands-on experiences — all while embracing the joy of grassy, muddy adventures!



#### **Belmore's Play Policy.**

Please take a few minutes to read through our new Play Policy, written to ensure that all children have fun, inclusive, and high-quality play opportunities.

**We are looking for donations of the following items.**

If you can help us then please leave them in to wooden donation boxes at the front of school or hand them to the main office—thank you!



**Suitcases and big bags**



**Metal pots and pans**



**Metal utensils**



# KEEPING SAFE ONLINE

We are **RESILIENT** and  
learn from our mistakes

We are getting more and more children who are using online games and social media inappropriately. Make sure you have the right information to keep your child safe online.

## How much screen time...



**Birth to 5 years**

'Bedtime stories are the best and healthiest way to settle your child'

'Studies have shown that too much screen time can cause babies and toddlers to **learn fewer words** and have **slower language development**. Excessive use of screens is also being strongly linked to **behavioural difficulties** in very young children.'

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1 NO screen time** between birth - 24 months except for video chatting with family and friends.
- 2 30 MINS screen time.** Children aged 2 - 5 years old should not be on screens for more than 30 min per day.
- 3 BIGGER screens.** If your child is ready to play a short game then try to use a larger screen like a tablet or computer screen. These cause less visual strain than a phone.
- 4 AVOID** using a device to settle your child down. Evidence shows this makes their anger and frustration worse in later life. **Instead try a book, a game outdoors, or just a cuddle.**
- 5 SLEEP HYGIENE.** Under 5's should **not use a screen** for at least 2 HOURS BEFORE BEDTIME, to aid their natural sleep pattern.

**0-24 months**

**2-5 year olds**

Watching lots of short videos is being linked to concentration difficulties in children.

Bigger is better

Try a cuddle or a game

Phones, tablets and computers should not be in any child's bedroom overnight.

\*'SLEEP HYGIENE' is a term used for healthy habits and behaviours that help support a good night's sleep.



**6 to 10 years**

'Walk, run, ride a bike, anything that gets kids up and about and off their screens'

'Try and ensure screen-free time together'

Ditch screens at mealtimes! 'Studies show that eating in front of screens leads to higher obesity risk as children consume more unhealthy food!'

Studies show there is a clear link between **excessive screen use** and **difficulties with concentration, sleep and mental health**. There may also be distinct physical changes in the developing brain.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1 WAKING UP WITHOUT screens**  
It is recommended that social media/screens are not used for the first hour of the day.
- 2 1-2 HRS PER DAY** is the suggested screen time in the week and not more than 2 hours on weekends.
- 3 STAY ACTIVE** Encourage physical activity for 1-2 hours a day.
- 4 SCREEN-FREE time together**  
Children will often mimic behaviours of the adults around them. Consider your own social media usage/ phone checking behaviour.
- 5 SLEEP HYGIENE.** It is recommended that screens should not be used 1 HOUR before bedtime. Phones, tablets and computers should not be in a bedroom overnight.

No screens

Keep active

Screen-free time together

Reports suggest adults touch their phones over 2000 times a day.

\*Sleep Hygiene. No screens 1 hour before bedtime

\*'SLEEP HYGIENE' is a term used for healthy habits and behaviours that help support a good night's sleep.

**UK Chief Medical Officers' advice for parents and carers on Children and Young People's screen and social media use**

Technology can be a wonderful thing but too much time sitting down or using mobile devices can get in the way of important, healthy activities. Here are some tips for balancing screen use with healthy living.

**Sleep matters**  
Getting enough, good quality sleep is very important. Leave phones outside the bedroom when it is bedtime.

**Education matters**  
Make sure you and your children are aware of, and abide by, their school's policy on screen time.

**Safely when out and about**  
Advise children to put their screens away while crossing the road or doing an activity that needs their full attention.

**Family time together**  
Screen-free meal times are a good idea - you can enjoy face-to-face conversation with adults giving their full attention to children.

**Sharing sensibly**  
Talk about sharing photos and information online and how photos and words are sometimes manipulated. Parents and carers should never assume that children are happy for their photos to be shared. For everyone - when in doubt, don't upload!

**Keep moving!**  
Everyone should take a break after a couple of hours sitting or lying down using a screen. It's good to get up and move about a bit. It'll make you more alert.

**Talking helps**  
Talk with children about using screens and what they are watching. A change in behaviour can be a sign they are distressed - make sure they know they can always speak to you or another responsible adult if they feel uncomfortable with screen or social media use.

**Use helpful phone features**  
Some devices and platforms have special features - try using these features to keep track of how much time you (and with their permission, your children) spend looking at screens or on social media.



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# NSPCC

Click here to find out more from these organisations

internet matters.org

Please let us know if they are any concerns regarding bullying online so that we can support children in school. As parents, it is your responsibility to monitor and check children's usage and devices.

# READING MATTERS

*Books build a stairway to your imagination*

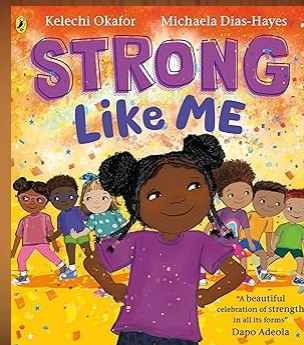
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October is **Black History Month** and this month's recommended reads books highlight Black voices and experiences. Each of these stories helps children learn about history, identity, and standing up for what's right. They reflect the richness of Black culture, the importance of inclusion and inspire empathy, curiosity and pride.

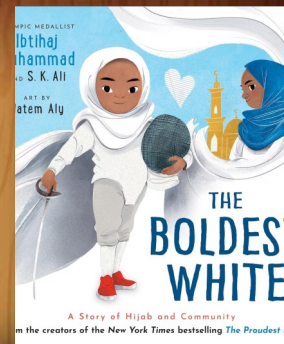
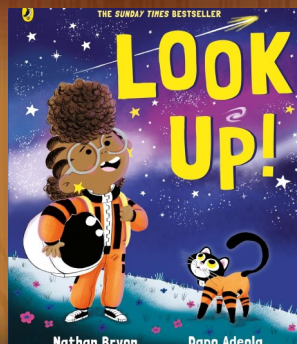
We would love for you to enjoy these books together at home and continue these conversations with

## October 2025 Recommended Reads

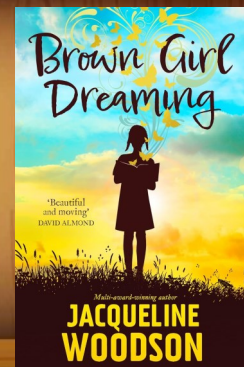
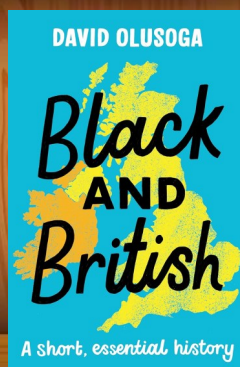
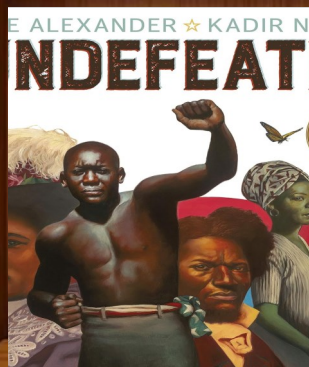
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KS1



KS2





# SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

We are *KIND, RESPECTFUL*  
and *WORK TOGETHER*



Please support us by putting your old unwanted clothes in the green bin just inside the front gates, For every full bin you donate we receive money towards future green projects in school



See your favourite brands donate to us whenever you spend with them

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# SOCIAL MEDIA

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belmore\_primary\_school Nursery have been exploring colour mixing and developing their fine motor skills making their own potions. They had such fun!



belmore\_primary\_school A little rain hasn't stopped Reception having a fantastic time in their Pumpkin Cafe. Digging, washing, cutting and serving pumpkins has kept them very busy!

re\_primary\_school ibury Park & Museum



belmore\_primary\_school Year 3 had a brilliant time at Gunnersbury Park and Museum last week. It really brought their learning about the Stone-age to life. Thank you for giving us such a great experience @gunnersburyparkmuseum

belmore\_primary\_school Belmore Primary School



belmore\_primary\_school What beautiful year 6 work about evolution and inheritance. It was a privilege to speak to these pupils about what they were learning.

