

WEEKLY

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 13 June 2025



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## Message from Miss Taunt

### Dear Families

Thank you for all your support at our Sports Days this week. We love having our community in to cheer the children on and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. Thank you to Mr Lewis and Ms Tuffano for all their hard work organising as well as the Cranfield High School students and all the Belmore and PSD staff in helping it run so smoothly.

We are excited to start adding some more toys and activities to the playground as we start our OPAL journey. We would like to have your opinions about lunchtimes by filling in this short survey - [click here](#). We are delighted to have a parent from the PTA as part of our development team implementing OPAL as well as a governor to ensure all stakeholders are involved.

**We need some donations as we get ready for the autumn term—please bring to the office any old puddle suits, rain coats, construction toys like lego or duplo and dolls pushchairs, prams and dolls.**

Year 6 are off either on their residential next week or staying in school for 3 days of action-packed activities. We are so proud of them as they get ready for their transition to High School. We had the Air Ambulance Charity in this week who did an assembly to year 6 and later emailed the following feedback:

*I visit many schools across London in my role and it was a delight to see how engaged your pupils were with my session, they had a lot of really thoughtful questions that showed they had listened well and considered what I had told them. Maybe some of them will join our Air Ambulance team in the future!*

Well done year 6!

Have a safe and happy weekend

**Rose Taunt, Head Teacher**

## Dates for next week

### Monday 16th June

Sunday to Wednesday - Y6 Residential Trip to Osmington Bay

Y6 Mini-Golf trip for those not away

### Tuesday

Y6 Bushcraft sessions for those not away

### Wednesday

### Thursday

9am 5L Class Assembly - families for 5L invited to attend

Parent & Carer Coffee Morning

6pm Y4 Beck Theatre performance

### Friday

9.20 - School Tours for current and new parents

- Nursery Sports Day

1.30 - SEND Hub Sports day

# Dates for your Diary

*We want you to be part of our school*

*We will be ACTIVE  
in mind and body*

## Summer Term

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



### Key Dates for the Summer Term

Created by scott desmond  
from Minion Project

	Monday 23rd June	Walk to School Week
	Monday 23rd June	Year 6 London Museum Docklands Trip
	Tuesday 24th June	Class Photos
	Tuesday 24th June	Year 6 Puberty Workshop
	Wednesday 25th June	Year 5 Puberty Workshop
	Thursday 26th June	Year 2 Pedestrian Training
	Thursday 26th June	Year 1 Trip to Hobbledown Heath
	Friday 27th June	3.30-5.30 Belmore's 70th Birthday Fayre
July	Tuesday 1st July	<b>Transition day</b> followed by  4-6pm— <b>Open Evening</b> for existing parents to come in and see children's work, chat informally to teachers and visit their new classes
	Tuesday 1st July	Nursery closed
	Tuesday 3rd July	Year 2 trip to the Tower of London
	Tuesday 8th July	Y5 Food Technology lessons at Barnhill
	Wednesday 9th July	Year 6 Activity Day at ACS, Cobham
	Wednesday 9th July	Year 4 Mini Medics Workshop
	Thursday 10th July	<del>Y5 Science Museum Trip—Cancelled</del>
	Thursday 10th July	9.30am School Tours for new and current parents to see what we do
	Thursday 10th July	Evening - Year 6 Prom
	Friday 11th July	All Reading Books to be collected in
	Tuesday 15th July	9.00 KS1 and Hub Celebration Assembly - by invite only
	Wednesday 16th July	6-8pm Y6 Prom
	Thursday 17th July	9.00 KS2 Celebration Assembly - by invite only
	Thursday 17th July	10am & 4pm Y6 Production
	Friday 18th July	9.00 - Y6 Leaver's Assembly
	Friday 18th July	1.30pm—Break up for the Summer Holidays  Nursery closed all day

# ATTENDANCE UPDATE

*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.**

**Well done Nursery all day children. You had 100% attendance last week!**



## Attendance WC 13/06/25

Class	Attendance
NAM	89%
NPM	87%
ALL DAY	100%
EINSTEIN/WARHOL	82%
RCW	92%
RW	94%
1Q	93%
1R	98%
1O	96%
2H	90%
2E	98%
2D	97%
3H	93%
3R	90%
3B	92%
4CH	93%
4CL	89%
4Q	89%
5L	96%
5M	94%
5F	92%
6F	92%
6T	98%
6L	91%

## Attendance Cup Winners

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

**Lower school - 1R**

**Key Stage 2 - 6T**

They will receive the Attendance Cup to keep in their class next week!



**This week's whole school attendance**

**93%** ↑

**Our target is more than 95%**

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

**400** ↑



# WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

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This year, as part of Living Streets, Belmore is encouraging everyone to walk to and from school from Monday 23rd June to Friday 27th June.

We encourage everyone to walk to school or at the least to park further away and walk.

There are many benefits to walking to school:



# Piano, Guitar or Violin Lessons

Available at your school

Half price lessons for  
Pupil Premium  
children. Please email  
the school office for  
more details



Sign up now -  
**FREE** first  
music book

- Build your child's Confidence
- Performance opportunities
- Graded exams - 100% pass rate
- Take Instrument home for refundable deposit
- Lessons during school day

**£40.00** per half term  
for paired lessons or  
**£80.00** for one-to-one

**pianoFunclub**  
[pianofunclub.co.uk](http://pianofunclub.co.uk)

**PTA Summer Fayre!**

*We are KIND, RESPECTFUL  
and WORK TOGETHER*

**BELMORE'S 70<sup>TH</sup>**  
**BIRTHDAY**  
**FAYRE**

**Candy  
Floss,  
Handmade  
Gifts**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June**  
**3:30 pm - 5:30 pm**

**London  
Fire  
Brigade,  
Wildlife  
Charity**

**Face  
Painting,  
Henna,  
Ice Cream  
Van**

**Raffle,  
Games,  
Food,  
Bouncy  
Castles**





# 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.

**Call of Duty** is undeniably one of the most recognisable video games on the planet. The first game was released for the PC way back in 2003, and the franchise has spawned a whopping 16 titles to date, and featured on almost 20 gaming consoles and devices. Despite being one of the most popular games on the market, CoD has never been a stranger to controversy; themes of war, terrorism and other adult subjects parents and guardians might feel uncomfortable exposing their children to, have always been a part of the series. The latest iteration, Call of Duty: Modern Warfare, is no different, even doubling down on some of these mature themes. So with that in mind, here's a helpful guide to aid you in navigating the world of Call of Duty.

**AGE RESTRICTION**  
**18+**  
If under 18, supervision of a parent or legal guardian required.

**What parents need to know about CALL OF DUTY: MODERN WARFARE**

**VIOLENCE AND GRAPHIC CONTENT**  
Call of Duty has been given an 18+ rating due to "violence against vulnerable and defenceless characters, motiveless killing of innocent characters, graphic violence and use of strong language." Despite the ratings, the game is still extremely popular amongst under 18s who could be exposed to violent themes or foul language that parents and carers may not deem suitable or age appropriate for their children.

**INCREDIBLY RAW CAMPAIGN**  
The single player campaign in Call of Duty: Modern Warfare focuses around a war in the fictitious Middle Eastern country of Urzikistan. It features special forces operations, large open battles, chemical weapons and torture. Infinity Ward (who developed the game) have gone on record saying this is the most realistic and grounded game they've ever made, so it stands to reason that the campaign has generated a huge amount of controversy, especially in today's heated political climate. While younger players might not fully grasp what's going on on screen, it's bound to raise some uncomfortable questions if they're left to play it unsupervised.

**CHATting TO STRANGERS**  
By far the biggest pull for players to Call of Duty is the expansive multiplayer. As well as offering up a wide variety of competitive game modes, Modern Warfare also includes some co-op gameplay modes. Ideally, this means players and children can join a group with their friends and play together online. However, players can play against or with anyone in the world and, with no filter, the language used may often be inappropriate for young children. Due to the competitive nature of gaming and the fact conversations are not moderated, your child could also be at risk of cyberbullying.

**ADDICTIVE NATURE**  
Call of Duty: Modern Warfare has promised to be the best yet. The game features a number of new game modes and now includes crossplay for the first time, whereby players can now play each other across any device (i.e. Xbox, Playstation or PC). As always tends to be the case when a new game is released, players spend large amounts of time getting to grips with the new features and the repetitive nature of COD means children can find it difficult to stop playing and realise their limits.

**LOOT BOXES SWAPPED FOR BATTLE PASSES**  
Previous versions of Call of Duty have included 'loot boxes', which have been widely discussed in the news and are considered by critics to essentially promote a form gambling. Players could unlock items as they progress but wouldn't know what they were purchasing beforehand. Modern Warfare however has swapped loot boxes for battle passes. This means a greater level of transparency as players know exactly what they are buying, how they will be unlocked and when they will receive them in the game.

**National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday

**Safety Tips For Parents**

**STICK TO THE PEGI RATING**  
It really can't be stressed enough how much this game is not for younger children. While you could argue that most of the horrific scenes are in the single player campaign, and you can just play multiplayer and co-op to avoid them, those modes are not without their shortcomings. For example, one of the killstreaks you can attain in multiplayer is white phosphorus - a chemical weapon that can do indescribable things to the human body. This really comes down to the personal judgement of the adult, and the emotional maturity of the child, but if there's still any doubt, stick to the PEGI rating - it's there for a reason.

**BE WARY OF GORE AND VIOLENCE**  
There's no getting around the fact that this is an incredibly realistic game, from the themes down to the gameplay, and that includes the amount of gore in the game. While there is an option to disable dismemberment of bodies in the game (options > general > dismemberment off) it still includes a rather visceral amount of violence that is prevalent throughout.

**STAY SAFE DURING IN-GAME CHAT**  
By default, Modern Warfare allows multiplayer in-game lobbies to have an open chat feature. This basically means that anybody in the lobby with a mic can hop in and say whatever they like. Naturally, this could lead to some profane language or undesirable viewpoints being expressed. Turning this off is as simple as going to the game options, clicking the audio tab, then setting voice chat to off. Be aware that this also disables the mic on your end too, so the safest and best option is always to make sure children are in a party with their friends before they start the game, then they can still chat to each other without outside interruption.

**TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT THE THEMES**  
Modern Warfare at its heart, is a game about good vs bad and the grey areas in between. Morally complex characters and situations are more prevalent in today's modern age than they've ever been before, and it does carry some important political and social commentary. If you're okay letting children play the game, it's definitely worth sitting down with them to discuss the themes and why it's important to approach them critically. For example, Captain Price is clearly a good character, but he does questionable things in order to achieve his goals. Does this make him a bad character? If kids are old enough to see these situations, they're old enough to question why.

**Meet our expert**  
Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for 5 years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the current gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world, UNILAD Gaming and GAMINGBIBLE. Starting gaming from a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work, but more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.

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internet matters.org

NSPCC

Click on the icons above for more info about how to keep your child safe

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*

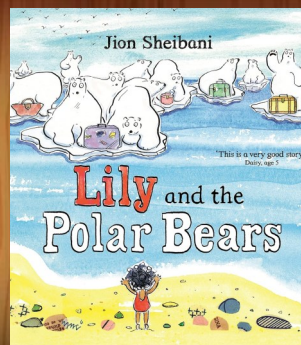
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5th June 2025 is World Environment Day and this year's theme is 'Ending Plastic Pollution'.

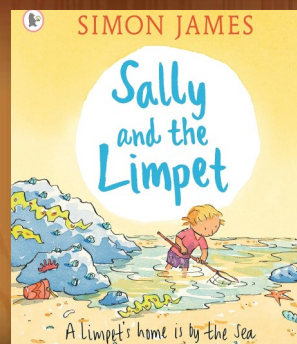
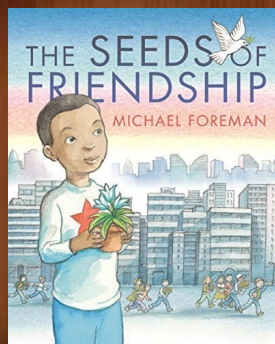
There are so many things we can do at home, at school and in the community to help end plastic pollution. These stories and books can help spark discussion in your houses

## June 2025 Recommended Reads

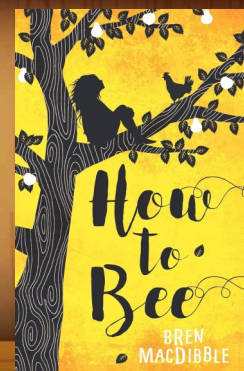
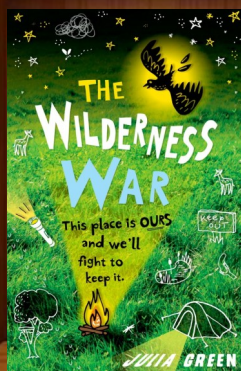
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KS1



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



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Find out more

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M&S

JOHN LEWIS

Argos

8,000+ online brands

Sign up with easyfundraising page at [here](#), or scan or click on the QR code. Then you can donate to the school every time you shop online.



This year's summer fayre is on Friday 27th June. If you know anyone who would like to run a stall in exchange for a small donation to the school please email [belmorepta@gmail.com](mailto:belmorepta@gmail.com)

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# SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

We ASPIRE to be the best we can be

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Kew Gardens



belmore\_primary\_school Don't look down! Year 3 enjoying their tree canopy walk at @kewgardens

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The Beck Theatre



belmore\_primary\_school Year 5 had a fab morning at the @becktheatre meeting Children's Laureate Frank Cottrell-Boyce. We loved hearing him read an extract of his new book The Blockbusters! #childrenslaureate



SCAN ME

We blur children's faces to respect children's privacy on social media.