

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



RRS Article and Goal of the Month – January

This month our Rights Ambassadors have chosen **Article 6** as **Article of the Month**, which states that *'Every child has the right to be alive. Governments must make sure that children survive and develop in the best possible way.'*

Our **Goal of the Month** encourages us to *'Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of forests'*.

Please look out for the next issue of our Rights Respecting Schools newsletter in February to discover all the latest RRS news!

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LFC Foundation - The Real Truth Legacy Project



Today, we had a visit from two special guest speakers from the LFC Foundation, as part of our History of Liverpool topic. We took part in a workshop entitled 'The Real Truth Legacy' which enabled us to find out more information about what happened before, during and after the Hillsborough disaster. We discussed topics such as how this tragedy shaped both our city, and the way in which large events are now managed and organised. Our year 6 children showed fantastic listening and reasoning skills when taking part in various emotive and thought-provoking discussions. A huge thank you to the LFC Foundation for facilitating this important workshop which helped us to learn more about this disaster and how it shaped our city and its people.

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Diary Dates

Mass – Monday 2nd February @ 9.15am

U10 Boys Football @ Jericho Lane Hub – Friday 6th February 12pm

Children's Mental Health Week – Monday 9th to Friday 13th February

PTA Whole School Pancake Flip – Thursday 12th February

School closes for Half Term break – Friday 13th February @ 3pm

Half Term – Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February

Children return to school – Monday 23rd February 8.30am-8.45am

General Information

Belle Vale Family Hub Launch



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Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 12.01.26 to 23.03.26	EYFS	7.45am – 8.30am
Monday	Choir	Y3-Y6	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 12.01.26 to 23.03.26	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From 06.01.26 for 6 weeks	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Dot Art	Y5	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Computer Club Every 2 weeks from 12.01.26	Y4	3.05pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 06.01.26 to 24.03.26	Y5/Y6	7.45am – 8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 07.01.26 to 25.03.26	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 08.01.26 to 26.03.26	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am
Thursday	Re-Action Group	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm-4pm
Friday	Dance	EYFS – Y6	8am – 8.30am

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week, we have enjoyed sharing our penguin talk homework. We shared posters and videos, having learned so many interesting facts about penguins! We have now moved on from our learning about Antarctica and penguins and begun learning all about space. We used non-fiction books to learn facts about the planets in our solar system and enjoyed a space song to help us remember the names of the planets too! The link to the song is on Tapestry! There were lots of space-themed activities available in continuous provision, including cutting out 2D shapes to make rockets, completing space jigsaws, and engaging in space role play with rocket and astronaut figures. In Maths, we have been recognising and ordering numbers to 10. Homework this week reinforces this and is also on Tapestry. In RE, we read the story of when Jesus blessed the children. We learned how Jesus showed God's love and discussed ways that we can show God's love to others. Another busy week, have a lovely weekend everyone!

YEAR ONE:

This week, we have been busy planning and writing our version of Hermelin in our English lessons. We have been practising using our sounds to help us spell and really focusing on trying to keep our handwriting nice and neat. In Maths, we have continued exploring subtraction. We have been mastering how to use a number line to help us with our accuracy and we have also been partitioning our tens numbers into tens and ones – this has been really tricky but we are now starting to really get it! Our Science lesson was all about animal food groups. We explored carnivores, herbivores and omnivores and sorted a range of animals accordingly. Some animals surprised us with the foods that they eat! We started our new Geography topic this week, all about the UK. We learnt about the four countries that make up the UK and their capital cities. We then located these on a map. On Tuesday, we really enjoyed having some visitors in from Food for Thought to help us make fruit salads, as part of our Design and Technology unit. We explored the importance of hygiene when working with food and also how to handle a knife safely when chopping food. We even got to squeeze some fresh orange juice over our fruit salad and enjoyed it with our friends.

YEAR TWO:

What a busy week Year 2 have had! We have written our final finding narrative for 'The Bog Baby' and included our very own creatures. In Maths, we finished our unit on Mass before moving onto measuring temperature in degrees Celsius. For our RE lesson this week we learned all about the visit of the Magi from the Gospel of Matthew. We discussed how King Herod was jealous there was a new king and how the Wise Men knew not to go back to his palace. In Geography, we revisited the continents and oceans of the world before looking at our study town, Tocuaro in Mexico. Finally in History we found out all about what kind of equipment explorers use. We even explained why they might need the different items in their explorer's backpack.

YEAR THREE:

This week, Year 3 have continued working on Volume in Maths and have been identifying the capacity of different containers by reading different intervals. They have also begun to problem solve using different methods of calculation. In English, the children have planned and begun to write their own Setting Narrative. We have been so impressed with the Writer's Knowledge they have used, which includes personification and apostrophes for possession. In R.E. the children heard the story of how Jesus cured the Roman Centurion's servant. They thought about how the miracles performed by Jesus remind us of the Kingdom of God and how we can contribute to building this through acts of kindness. Continuing this theme, our focus for 'Journey in Love' was how we can navigate friendship fallouts. The children have made posters and flowcharts with advice on what we can do to repair and strengthen friendships when problems arise. It was an exciting Science lesson this week as the children were able to closely observe different types of rock. They worked in groups to compare and group them based on their physical appearance and properties. A super week, Year 3!

YEAR FOUR:

In Maths, the children have continued their work on multiplication, exploring a range of methods for solving problems that involve renaming ones as tens and tens as hundreds. Alongside this, we have begun revisiting division, helping pupils to make strong links between the two operations.

Over in Geography, Year 4 learned about the physical features of Catalonia. They discovered that the mountainous Pyrenees lie to the north of the region, while the Mediterranean Sea borders it to the east, helping them build a clearer picture of the area's landscape.

During Science on Thursday, pupils became keen observers as they investigated how different liquids melt. They noticed that some substances melted more easily than others, while cooking oil remained unfrozen even after spending 24 hours in the freezer — a result that sparked plenty of curiosity and discussion.

In English, the class has been preparing to write their own versions of *Arthur and the Golden Rope*. Through role play, pupils have explored key moments in the story and built up rich banks of vocabulary to support their own imaginative writing.

YEAR FIVE:

Year 5 have had a busy week! We enjoyed our first swimming session, developing confidence and technique in the water. In Maths, we have been converting and comparing fractions, using a range of strategies. English lessons focused on building character descriptions and cliff hanger paragraphs inspired by *The Hound of the Baskervilles*. In PE, we practised gymnastics, improving balance and control. We also planned our new allotment space and took part in a Celebration of the Word, learning about St Agnes.

YEAR SIX:

It's been another action-packed week of learning in Year 6 with lots of exciting progress across the curriculum. In Maths, the children multiplied and divided decimals before beginning to unpick percentages, starting with finding 10% of different numbers. In English, we explored a range of settings and characters from different regions of the world to inspire our planning for an upcoming story about tribespeople hunting wolves. In R.E., the children practised finding Bible references independently and summarised the meaning of different passages. Science lessons focused on invertebrates, with pupils researching and creating informative posters about different groups, from molluscs to arachnids, which they proudly shared with the class. We ended the week with a fantastic History workshop led by the Liverpool FC Foundation, which focused on the Hillsborough disaster. The session deepened the children's understanding as they learned more about the events of the day and the serious failings that took place.

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