



Weekly Bulletin

22nd May, 2026

What a fantastic term it has been at Belgrave!

There have been so many memorable moments, and it has been a real pleasure to see our learners so engaged, active and enthusiastic in their learning.

Our PE sessions have been outstanding this term, and our bushcraft experiences at Ashton Court have been a particular highlight. Learners have loved getting outdoors, developing new skills and building confidence in such a unique environment. These opportunities to learn beyond the classroom are so valuable and have clearly made a lasting impression.

We have also enjoyed a series of fabulous Active Curriculum Days, which have brought learning to life in creative and exciting ways. It has been wonderful to see learners immersed in hands-on experiences, and we are delighted that these will continue into next term.

Our trips have been equally enriching. Visits to We The Curious and Upfest have provided inspiration, creativity and new perspectives, giving learners the chance to explore science, art and the wider world in engaging and meaningful ways.

Our allotment at Roots in Leigh Woods is flourishing. It has been a real joy to see it thrive and to watch our learners take pride in nurturing it, learning about sustainability, teamwork and where food comes from. These hands-on experiences are invaluable and help deepen our learners' connection to the environment.

A special well done must also go to our Year 11 learners, and our Year 10 learner, who have been sitting their exams. We are incredibly proud of the focus, resilience and determination they have shown during this important time.

And finally, it has been wonderful to welcome the sunshine. The brighter weather has certainly lifted spirits and added to the positive atmosphere across the school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Wishing you all a lovely week ahead.

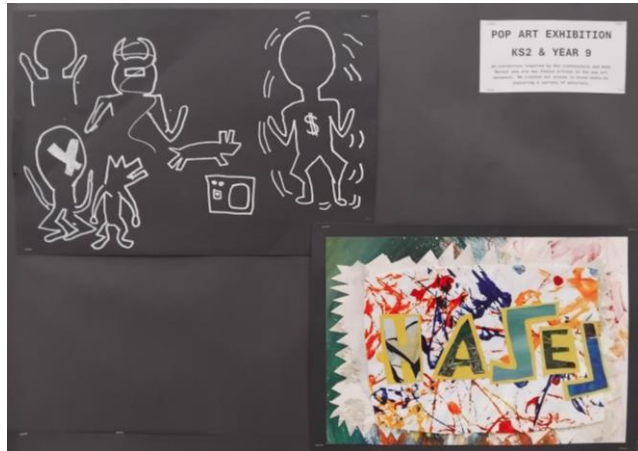
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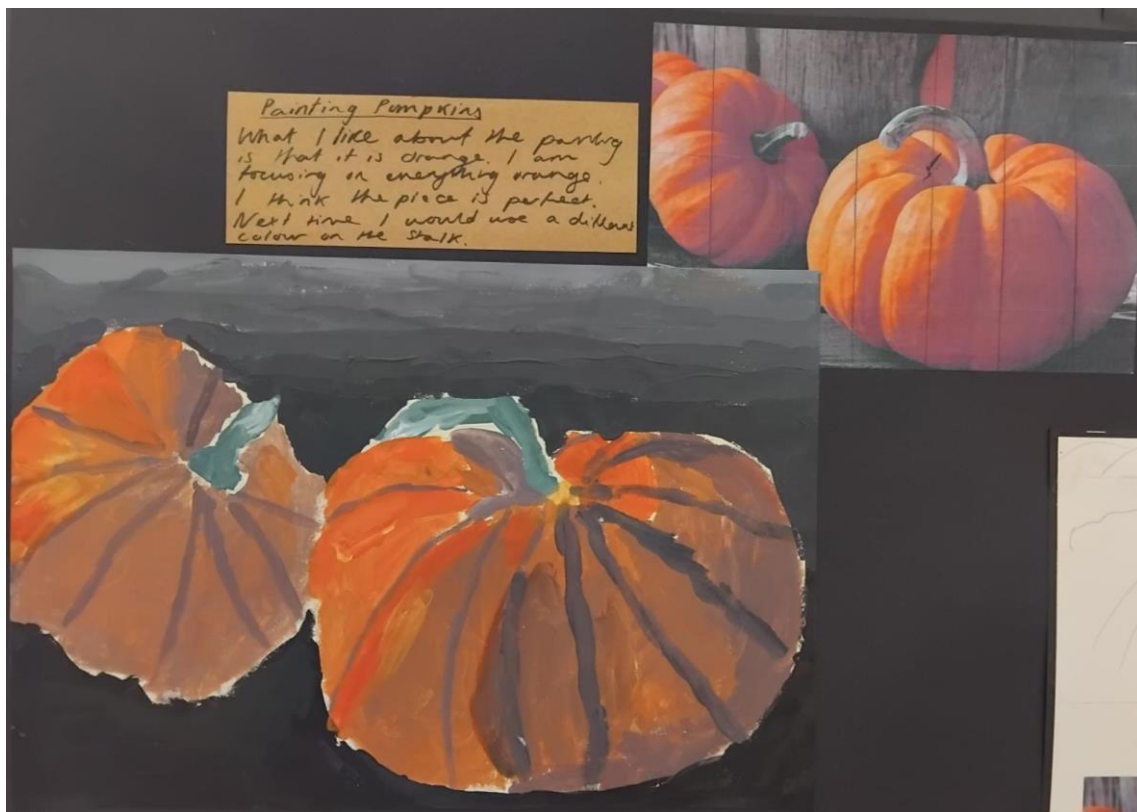
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Celebrating our wonderful Belgrave artists

What a wonderful art show we had, celebrating the incredible talents of our learners! Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us, it truly meant a lot. Our learners took great pride in showcasing their work, and it was a joy to see their confidence and enthusiasm shine through. It was also lovely to spend time with you all.

Belgrave is such a special place, and this event was a perfect reminder of the strength and warmth of our community.







Year 8 Explore Upfest Street Art

Our Year 8 learners had a fantastic trip to Upfest, enjoying a guided tour around Southville and Bedminster to explore the vibrant and ever-changing street art. They were inspired by the scale, creativity and variety of the artwork, as well as learning about the stories and messages behind many of the pieces.

If you're looking for something to do over the half-term holiday, we would highly recommend a visit. The streets of Southville and Bedminster are like an open-air gallery, with many murals located along North Street and the surrounding roads. It's a wonderful, free way to explore art as a family perhaps even encouraging your children to spot their favourite pieces or discover new artists.

You can find maps, artist information and more details on the Upfest website:

[Upfest Festival](#)



Staff Updates

Peter Taylor

As we come to the end of this half term, we would like to share that Peter Taylor will be leaving Belgrave School at the end of July.

Peter has been a truly valued member of our school community over the past three years. During his time with us, he has built strong and meaningful relationships with our learners and their families, and his care, commitment and positive presence have made a lasting impact on so many. He has been a much-loved member of staff, and we are incredibly grateful for everything he has given to Belgrave.

Peter will be moving on to take part in the Teach First Programme, where he will be working and studying Secondary English at a school in Gloucester. While we are naturally very sad to see him go, we are also immensely proud of him. This is a fantastic next step in his career, and we have no doubt that he will go on to be an exceptional teacher.

Peter has greatly enjoyed his time at Belgrave and will take many special memories with him, just as we will hold onto the many contributions he has made to our community.

We wish him every success for the future and know he will be amazing.

Becks James

Please join me in wishing Becks James a fond farewell as she embarks on the next chapter of her career. Becks has been part of the Belgrave community for six years and has worked with many of our learners, making a lasting impact through her dedication and creativity. We thank her for all she has contributed and wish her every success in the future.

Please don't worry, GCSE learners you are in very safe hands with our wonderful Polly, who will support you until the end of the year. From the new academic year, our highly experienced new Deputy Head will step into this role, ensuring we continue to nurture and develop the fantastic artists we are so proud of at Belgrave.

We will share more about our new Deputy in next term's newsletter.

Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

Parents' Reports Afternoon (KS2 & KS3)

Thursday 25th June

Further arrangements and timings will follow.

Work Experience – Year 10

Monday 6th – Friday 10th July

A separate email with full details has been sent today.

End of Year and Leavers' Assembly

Wednesday 22nd July | 11.00am–1.00pm

More information will follow, but we hope you can join us as we celebrate the achievements of the year and wish our leavers well.

End of term

Friday 22nd May

The Big Future

National Children's Survey

We would like to make parents and carers aware of an important national survey led by the Children's Commissioner for England, **Dame Rachel de Souza**, called **The Big Future**.

The survey gives children and young people aged **0–18** the opportunity to share their views on what matters most to them, their hopes for the future, and what they believe makes a good childhood today. The findings will be used to influence decision-makers and advocate for positive change on issues that affect children across the country.

With more young people becoming eligible to vote in future elections, this survey is a valuable way for children's voices to be heard.

Parents and carers can support their child to take part by accessing the survey here:

 www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture

The survey closes on **Friday 23 October**. Participation is voluntary, but we strongly encourage families to consider supporting their child to share their views if they wish.

Thank you for your continued support.

Upcoming Inclusion & SEN Friendly Events in Bristol

- [Activities for learners and young people with SEND](#)
- [Accessible events in Bristol](#)
- [Bristol Parent Carer Forum - Calendar of Inclusive Events in Bristol](#)

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