



Weekly Bulletin

22nd July, 2026

A Wonderful Year Together

Thank You, Belgrave!

As we reach the end of another fantastic school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our learners and families for making it such a successful and memorable year at Belgrave.

It has been a privilege to join the school as Principal in January. Although I have only been here for a short time, I already feel very much a part of the Belgrave community. Thank you for the warm welcome, your support, and for embracing me so wholeheartedly.

I am incredibly proud of everything our learners have achieved this year and grateful for the partnership we share with our parents and carers. Together, we have created a positive, caring, and ambitious school community where our young people can thrive.

I hope you all have a wonderful, restful summer break, filled with fun, relaxation, and special family moments.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Thursday 3rd September**.

Have a fantastic summer!

Gwen Bennion
Principal

A Day Full of Fun, Laughter and Team Spirit

What a brilliant Sports Day we had! It was wonderful to see our learners, families and staff coming together to enjoy a fun-filled day of activities. The atmosphere was fantastic, with everyone getting involved, cheering each other on and showing great team spirit.

There was plenty of joy, laughter and memorable moments throughout the day. Events like these remind us of the strength of our school community and the importance of spending time together, celebrating participation, effort and achievement.

A huge thank you to everyone who took part and helped make the day such a success. It was clear that fun was had by all!









Belfest

An Afternoon of Fun and Friendship

What a lovely afternoon we had at Belfest, created by our wonderful staff for our learners to enjoy.

The festival was filled with fun activities, including face painting, karaoke, football, ice creams and much more. It was fantastic to see so many smiling faces, hear so much laughter and watch everyone enjoying themselves together.

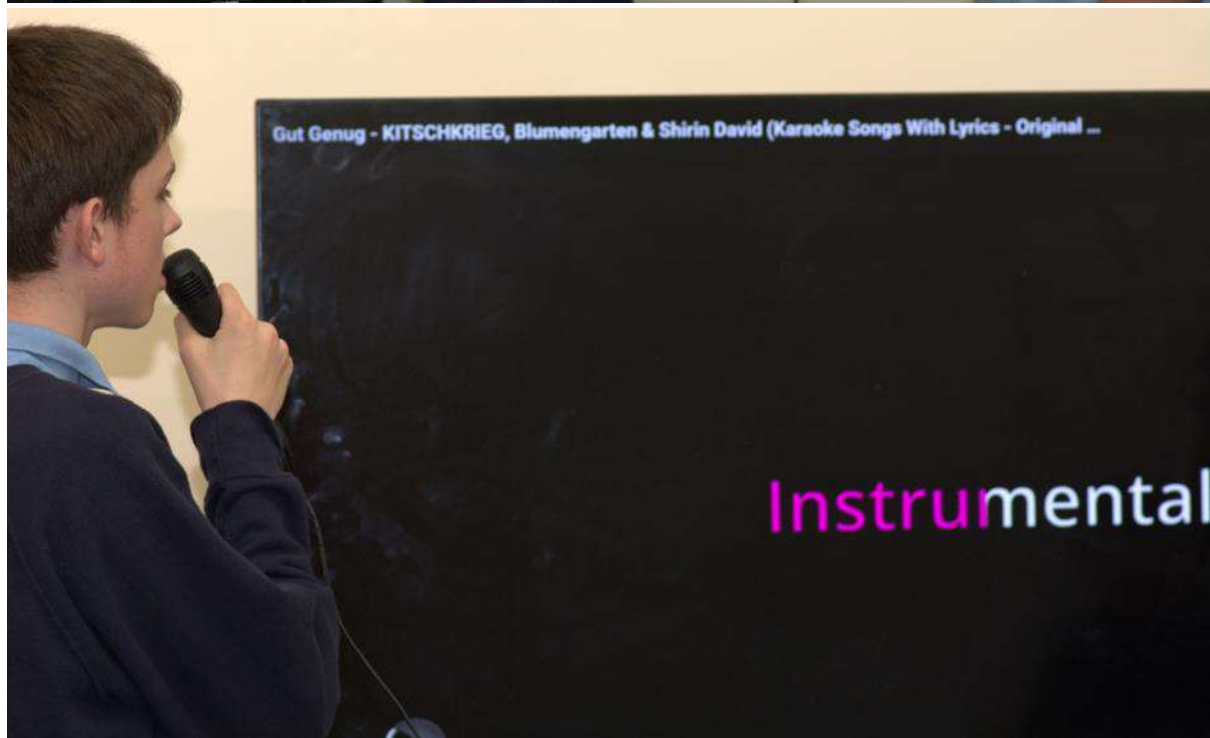
A huge thank you to all the staff who worked so hard to organise such a special event. Their creativity, enthusiasm and dedication helped make Belfest a memorable experience for all. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the end of another successful school year.













Your Holiday Hub Bristol

Free Holiday Activities and Food

Did you know that families can access a wide range of free holiday activities through Your Holiday Hub Bristol? The programme is part of the Government-funded Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme and offers exciting activities for children and young people aged 5–16 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals. Activities include sports, arts and crafts, cooking sessions, outdoor adventures and much more. Every session also includes a nutritious meal.

The programme aims to support children's wellbeing, help them stay active during the school holidays, develop new skills, make friends and enjoy positive experiences in a safe and inclusive environment. It is delivered in partnership with Bristol City Council and local organisations across the city.

How to access it:

Parents and carers can visit www.yourholidayhubbristol.co.uk to browse available activities, check eligibility and book places for upcoming holiday programmes. The website is regularly updated with the latest opportunities across Bristol.

Please note: The website also has links to South Glos, BANES and North Somerset programmes.

Staffing Update for the Upcoming Academic Year

We are pleased to share key information about our team for the next academic year, including class leads, subject teachers and curriculum leadership.

Class Leads and Parent Contacts

The following staff will be the class leads and your main point of contact for any queries or support:

- Concorde: Sarah Morris
- Cabot: Debbie Cranch
- Banksy: Ange Mattina
- Avon: Felix McGovern
- Bridge (Brunel): Michelle Kimber

Water Safety Reminder

Stay Safe Near Water

Avon Fire & Rescue Service is encouraging everyone to stay safe around rivers, lakes, canals and the coast this summer. Key advice includes learning to “Float to Live” if you unexpectedly fall into water and always calling 999 if someone is in difficulty rather than entering the water yourself.

The guidance also highlights the importance of swimming in supervised areas, keeping children under close supervision, and being aware of hidden dangers such as cold-water shock, strong currents, deep water, submerged objects and water pollution.

Families are encouraged to learn about local river rescue cabinets and to use tools such as the What3Words app to help emergency services locate them quickly if needed. Avon Fire & Rescue Service also offers free water safety sessions for schools and youth groups.

For more information, visit the Avon Fire & Rescue Service Water Safety webpage.

[Water Safety Advice](#)



Sun & Heat Safety Reminder

With the warmer weather here, we want to ensure all learners stay safe and comfortable while enjoying the sunshine.

Please remember to bring:

- A hat to protect your head and face from the sun
- A refillable water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day
- Sun cream (SPF 30 or higher) to protect your skin

We encourage learners to apply sun cream before arriving and to reapply during the day as needed. Staff will also support regular water breaks and access to shaded areas.

Let's all enjoy the sunshine safely!



Looking After Family Wellbeing

We all need a little extra support from time to time. Whether you are facing challenges relating to family relationships, emotional wellbeing, financial pressures, or feeling unsafe at home, confidential advice and support are available.

If you would like support, the following organisations can help:

- National Domestic Abuse Helpline (Refuge) – 0808 2000 247 (24 hours)
- Women's Aid – www.womensaid.org.uk
- Men's Advice Line – 0808 801 0327
- Victim Support – 0808 168 9111 | www.victimsupport.org.uk
- NSPCC (concerns about a child) – 0808 800 5000

If you would like to talk to someone in confidence, please contact a member of the school's safeguarding team, who can offer support and help you access appropriate services.

The school is committed to supporting the wellbeing and safety of all members of our community.

Artificial Intelligence Tips for Parents

AI generated content and AI tools like chatbots, content generators and summaries are quickly appearing across popular online apps and services. There are also popular AI tools appearing like ChatGPT.

There can be many positives to the use of AI in helping to find information, making creative content and getting support quickly through chat functions. However, as with other areas of online use, it comes with risks to children as well.

For example, the content that children see might not be age appropriate, legal or promote healthy behaviours. They can also experience harms such as bullying and sexual abuse through the misuse of AI content generators to create realistic looking content intended to cause harm. (NSPCC)

[NSPCC - AI Top Tips for Parents](#)



Report Harmful Content

A national reporting centre that has been designed to assist anyone in reporting harmful content online.

[UK Safer Internet - Reporting Harmful Content](#)

Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

End of term

1pm Wednesday 22nd July

Start of term

Thursday 3rd September

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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