



Weekly Bulletin

18th September 2026

Learner Council Elections

Next week is an important week for both learning and learner voice at Belgrave. Each class will be voting to elect their representative for the Learner Council.

This is important because it gives learners a chance to have their views heard and to play an active role in shaping school life. Learner Council representatives gather ideas, suggestions, and concerns from their classmates and share them with school leaders, helping to ensure that decisions are informed by the voices of our learners. Voting also helps learners develop an understanding of democracy, fairness, responsibility, and the importance of representing others. We look forward to seeing our learners take part in this exciting opportunity and making their voices count.



Afternoon at the Allotment, Leigh Woods

During an afternoon session at the allotment in Leigh Woods, the Year 11 Horticulture learners prepared a bed for planting onion sets. Using a garden fork correctly, they loosened the soil and removed weeds and stones to create a suitable planting area. The learners then used a rake to level the soil and create neat rows. With hand trowels, they planted the onion sets at regular spacing, ensuring the pointed tips remained just above the soil surface. Finally, the bed was watered lightly to help the onions establish. The learners thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on experience, working together outdoors and taking pride in preparing the bed for a new crop. By using tools safely and correctly throughout the task, they developed practical horticultural skills, built confidence in their abilities, and gained a real sense of achievement while preparing a healthy crop for the growing season.



Bridge Class Outdoor Space



The outdoor space for Bridge Class is really coming together and is becoming a wonderful area for our learners to enjoy. We have recently added willow fencing and some comfortable outdoor furniture, creating a calm and welcoming environment where learners can relax and spend time together.

We have also installed a small water feature, which has already proved very popular with the learners. As part of our ongoing development of the space, we are continuing to grow our plant collection and look forward to working with learners over the coming months to enhance the area even further. We are excited to see this space develop into a beautiful outdoor environment that supports relaxation, wellbeing, and learning.



Bat Survey at Belgrave School



We are excited to be taking part in a local bat survey! A special bat sensor has been installed on our school site which can detect and record the ultrasonic sounds made by bats. The sensor will remain with us for one week, after which experts will analyse the recordings to identify how many different species of bats are visiting our local area. To reassure our community, the sensor does not record photographs, videos, conversations, or any personal information. It only detects and records bat calls that are beyond the range of normal human hearing. We are looking forward to welcoming our local bat expert back to school to share the results and deliver an exciting talk for our learners about bats, local

wildlife, and conservation. This is a fantastic opportunity for learners to take part in real scientific research and discover more about the wildlife living around us.

Fire Drill

This week we held a fire drill across the school, and our learners were outstanding. Everyone responded sensibly, followed instructions promptly, and evacuated the building calmly and safely. It was clear that learners understood the importance of the exercise and took it seriously throughout. The drill ran smoothly and efficiently, reflecting the maturity, responsibility and positive attitude of our school community. Well done to all our learners and staff for making the exercise such a success.



Words Matter

At Belgrave, we know that the way we speak to children can have a lasting impact on their confidence, wellbeing and development. We are supporting the important message from Words Matter, a charity dedicated to raising awareness of the effects of verbal abuse and promoting positive, encouraging communication with children.

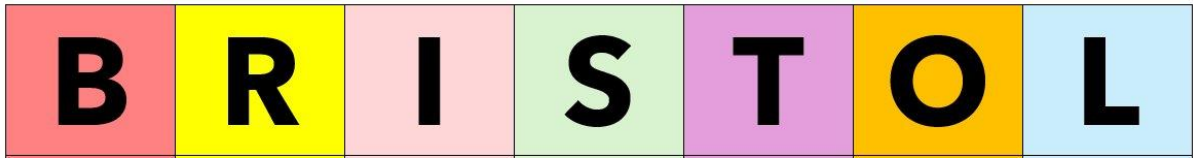
Their message is simple: words have power, and kind, supportive language helps children thrive. We encourage all parents and carers to take a look at the Words Matter website, which contains helpful information, advice and resources for families and professionals working with children:

<https://wordsmatter.org/>

"Let's build children up, not knock them down." This reflects a message that sits closely with Belgrave's values of kindness, respect and positive relationships.



Belgrave's BRISTOL Champions



Belonging Champion - Ben (Avon): For helping others feel welcome, valued and part of the Belgrave community.

Respect Champion - Alex (Banksy): For consistently showing respect to others, the environment and school expectations.

Inclusion Champion - Sophie (Avon): For including others and helping everyone feel involved and supported.

Safety Champion - Lilly (Bridge): For making safe choices and helping to create a safe environment for everyone.

Try Champion - Jack (Bridge): For demonstrating determination, resilience and a willingness to keep trying.

Ownership Champion – Jack C (Concorde): For taking responsibility for actions, choices and personal growth.

Learning Champion - Billy (Banksy): For showing curiosity, engagement and pride in learning.

Key Dates

23 September 2026, 1:00pm

- RSE Parent Consultation and Questions Session

Join: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/35894403974456?p=N4NY4uamsVNyGyUplH>

Meeting ID: 358 944 039 744 56

Passcode: jp2HM9V9

28 September 2026

- Flu Vaccinations – information to follow

8 October 2026, 3:00pm

- Year 11 Online Information meeting – information to follow

16 October 2026, 2:00pm

- Parents' Garden Party linked to World Food Day, including a parent suggestion box for the back area

9-20 November 2026

- Mock Examinations Fortnight – information to follow

10 November 2026

- Banksy Class Trip to *Six the Musical*

26 November 2026

- Cabot Class Hinkley Point Science Trip

14-18 June 2027

- Year 10 Work Experience – information to follow



TRADE
BATTLE
COLLECT
SHARE
PLAY

ALL
TRAINERS
WELCOME



POKÉMON CLUB

**GOT CARDS?
BRING YOUR PASSION!**



BATTLE

PLAY AGAINST
OTHER TRAINERS
USING DECKS



USE A DECK

TRY OUT OUR
PRE-BUILT DECKS
OR BRING YOUR
OWN!



TRADE

SWAP CARDS
AND GROW
YOUR COLLECTION



SHOW OFF

BRING YOUR
FAVOURITE CARDS
AND SHARE THEM
WITH OTHERS



**MONDAY & THURSDAY
12:40 - 1:20**



EVERYONE WELCOME!

**SAME GAME.
NEW FRIENDS.
A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.**



**GOTTA
CATCH 'EM
ALL!**

COLLECT • BATTLE • TRADE • BELONG

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB

IMAGINATION
FRIENDSHIP
ADVENTURE
FOR EVERYONE!

ROLL
PLAY
EXPLORE
CREATE
BELONG

NEW
PLAYERS
ALWAYS
WELCOME!

THE
MIDNIGHT CIRCUS
NOT ALL WHO WANDER ARE LOST...

STRANGE CREATURES
MYSTERIOUS PUZZLES
AMAZING STORIES
CAN YOU ESCAPE?

ADVENTURE
CREATIVITY
TEAMWORK

GREAT
STORIES
START
HERE!

 **TUESDAY**
12:40 - 1:20

 **AVON CLASS**

 ALL
ABILITIES
WELCOME

 WE PROVIDE
EVERYTHING
YOU NEED

 FUN, FRIENDLY
AND INCLUSIVE

ROLL FOR A BRIGHTER LUNCHTIME!

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

SAME GAME.
A BROKEN WORLD.
NEW STORIES.

ADVENTURE
SURVIVE
EXPLORE
REBUILD

WHEN
THE SKY
FELL...
THE REAL
QUEST
BEGAN.

SOME
WORLDS
END.
BETTER
ONES
BEGIN.



WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY
12:40 – 1:20



CONCORD CLASS



NEW PLAYERS
WELCOME



ALL
EXPERIENCE LEVELS



PLAY
CREATE
EXPLORE



IN A WORLD
THAT NEEDS HEROES

ROLL FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW

Uniform Expectations

We understand the importance of comfort, particularly for many of our learners. However, we also want learners to take pride in their appearance and present themselves appropriately within the school community. Wearing suitable clothing helps create a positive learning environment and prepares learners for future education, training and employment settings.

Where possible, learners should wear:

- Belgrave School polo shirt
- Belgrave School hoodie or sweatshirt
- Comfortable clothing suitable for learning
- Safe and practical footwear

The following are not permitted:

- ✗ Revealing clothing (including vest tops, crop tops, low-cut tops, see-through clothing, visible underwear or short skirts)
- ✗ Beachwear or pyjamas
- ✗ Clothing with offensive, political, alcohol, drug or gambling-related messages
- ✗ Excessively ripped, tight-fitting or unsuitable clothing
- ✗ Unsafe footwear, including flip-flops, sliders, backless shoes or high heels
- ✗ Excessive jewellery or items that present a safety risk

Working Together

At Belgrave School, we believe that the best outcomes are achieved when learners, families and staff work together. We are committed to listening to our learners, valuing their views and creating an environment where they feel safe, supported and able to thrive.

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to another successful year and to working together with our learners and families to create a positive, supportive and ambitious school community where every learner can flourish.

Upcoming Inclusion & SEN Friendly

Bristol Parent Carers – SEND Coffee Mornings & Workshops



Various locations across Bristol

Free events for parents & carers

Bristol Parent Carers run a wide range of inclusive, low pressure events including:

- SEND coffee mornings in North, South and Central Bristol
- Workshops on sensory processing, anxiety, additional needs and more

These sessions help families meet others, understand local services and access nonjudgemental support.

Event listings:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/o/bristol-parent-carers-7809612275>

Organisation website:

<https://www.bristolparentcarers.org.uk>

Bristol SEND Events Calendar (Ongoing Inclusive Sessions)

A continually updated calendar of inclusive events, activities, support sessions and workshops for children and young people with additional needs, curated by Bristol Parent Carers and local SEND organisations.

Calendar:

<https://www.bristolparentcarers.org.uk/events/>



ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT ANYTHING?

Family worries? Bullying?
Racism? Anxiety? Social
media? Unsafe behaviour?
Drugs? Sexuality?
Self-harm? Homophobia?
Substance abuse?

Designated
Safeguarding &
Prevent Lead



Gwen

Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Leads



Amy and Karen

I need someone to talk to.

I'm worried about a friend.

I need help!



Speak to us.
We're here to
listen to you!

Just remember
you can speak
to ANY
member of
staff about
ANYTHING at
ANY TIME - we
are here for
you.

Remember our
online safety
rules and be
smart on the
internet!

