

The Great Oak
CE Learning
Federation



Autumn Term
2025
Thursday 18th
December 2025

Betley CE Primary School

'With Wisdom, Respect and Love we Flourish and Shine'

Our Vision

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:14-16)

Christmas Wish

It has been a truly wonderful autumn term, filled with lots of exciting learning and memorable moments. The children have come to school each day with joy, excitement, and enthusiasm, and it has been a pleasure to see their curiosity and love of learning grow throughout the term.

The team at Betley would like to thank you for your continued support this term. Your encouragement at home makes a real difference and helps our children thrive.

As we approach the Christmas holidays, we wish you and your families a very happy and peaceful Christmas. We hope you are able to enjoy some well-deserved time to relax and make special memories together.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new year.

Key Stage 2 Nativity

A huge well done to all of the children who took part in the Key Stage 2 Nativity, Christmas with the Krackers. You have worked incredibly hard over the last six weeks, learning your lines and truly making the performance your own.

Mrs Cowen, Miss Cannell, and I could not be prouder of you all. Your performance was absolutely incredible!

Thank you to all of our families for supporting the children by helping them learn their lines and for providing such wonderful costumes. We really appreciate your continued support.

A special thank you to Mrs Cowen and Miss Cannell for their commitment and dedication in giving the children such a memorable experience. Finally, a special mention to Sammy and Eliza for stepping up and taking on extra parts in the performance-you were fantastic!



Star of the Week

Marvellous Minibeasts	Huxley & Sophie
Fabulous Flamingos	Whole Class
Perfect Penguins	Eliza & Josh
Cheeky Chimps	Will & Bertie

Christian Value Certificate

Marvellous Minibeasts	Orla
Fabulous Flamingos	Artie
Perfect Penguins	Marco & Harry F
Cheeky Chimps	Henry

Attendance

Marvellous Minibeasts	96%
Fabulous Flamingos	97%
Perfect Penguins	95%
Cheeky Chimps	94%

Achievements outside of school

If your child takes part in an activity whether it be sports, helping animals or volunteering and you would like to celebrate this, please email me on: office@betley.staffs.sch.uk Well done to all of the children below for their achievements outside of school:

Penny and Tabby- Horse Riding

Huge congratulations to Bobby on being selected to play for the Staffordshire County Under 11's Cricket Team! This is a fantastic achievement and a true reflection of all your hard work and dedication. We are incredibly proud of you - well done and best of luck, Bobby!



FOBS

The next meeting will be the on 20th January 2025 at The Swan starting at 7pm.

Monday 5 th January 2026	Tuesday 20 th January 2026	Monday 26 th January 2026
Children back in school	FOBS 7pm	Class 4 - Stockport Air Raid Shelter Trip

Our School Prayer

*Let our school be full of love and respect for one another,
Let us have the wisdom to understand our place and flourish as part of God's creation
But the courage to make the world a better place
With the help of your love may we shine
Amen*

Collective Worship Focus

This week our focus will be discovering how we connect with God as part of the Sacred Pathway- perseverance.

Snacks

Children order snacks on a Monday for the week. If your child is absent on Monday they will be able to order on their return to school.

Snacks	
Toast	38p
Toast with Jam	44p
Toast with Cheese	49p
Bagel	38p
Crumpet	38p
Toasted Teacake	49p
Pancakes	49p
Flavoured Milkshakes	82p

Lunches

To go alongside the daily menu below, there is also Hot Tomato Pasta, Jacket Potatoes with Baked Beans/Cheese and a variety of sandwiches every day.

Monday: Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges

Vegetarian option – Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges

Tuesday: Chicken Tikka Massala with Rice

Vegetarian option – Classic Mac & Cheese

Wednesday: Roast of the Day with Yorkshire, Roasties & Gravy

Vegetarian option – Vegan Fillet, Roasties & Gravy

Thursday: Sausage Roll with Mash & Gravy

Vegetarian option – Plantastic Balls with Mash & Gravy

Friday: Fish Fingers with Chips

Vegetarian option – Garden Fingers with Chips

Important Dates

Monday 22nd December 2025 – Friday 2nd January 2026	School Closed – Christmas Break
Tuesday 20th January 2026	FOBS 7pm
Monday 26th January 2026	Class 4 - Stockport Air Raid Shelter Trip
Wednesday 28th January 2026	Year 5 – Safe & Sound – Newcastle Fire Station
Thursday 5th February 2026	Young Voices - Manchester CO-OP Arena
Wednesday 11th February 2026	Cheeky Chimps Class Assembly & Cake Sale 9:15am
Monday 16th February 2026 – Friday 20th February 2026	School Closed – Half Term
Monday 23rd February 2026	Parental Meetings 'Go Live' Date
Thursday 5th March 2026	World Book Day Celebrations
Monday 9th March 2026	Class 2 – Ford Green Hall Trip

Wednesday 11th March 2026	Class 1 Trip – Hoo Zoo
Thursday 12th March 2026	Mother’s Day Crafts
Monday 16th March 2026	Parental Meetings 4pm – 7pm
Wednesday 18th March 2026	Perfect Penguins Class Assembly & Cake Sale 9:15am
Wednesday 18th March 2026	Parental Meetings 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Friday 20th March 2026	Odd Sock Day – World Down Syndrome Day (no donation required)
Tuesday 24th March 2026	Easter Service at St Margaret’s Church 2pm
Wednesday 25th March 2026	Class 3 – Wroxeter Trip
Monday 30th March 2026 – Friday 10th April 2026	School Closed – Easter Break
Wednesday 22nd April 2026	Fabulous Flamingos Class Assembly & Cake Sale 9:15am
Wednesday 29th April 2026	Marvellous Minibeasts Class Assembly & Cake Sale 9:15am
Friday 1st May 2026	Academy Photos – Class Photos & Y6 Leavers
Wednesday 6th May 2026	Whole School Water Safety Assembly 1pm
Thursday 7th May 2026	Perfect Penguins Rivers Workshop 1pm
Monday 11th May 2026	SATS
Monday 25th May 2026 – Friday 29th May 2026	School Closed – Half Term
Monday 1st June 2026	INSET DAY
Tuesday 2nd June 2026 – Friday 5th June 2026	KS2 Residential – St Briavels Castle
Wednesday 17th June 2026	Sports Day – Betley CC 1:15pm
Thursday 18th June 2026	Father’s Day Crafts
Thursday 2rd July 2026	Celebration Carnival 2pm
Friday 3rd July 2026	Summer Fayre
Wednesday 8th July 2026	KS2 Leavers Performance 1:30pm & 5:30pm
Thursday 9th July 2026	Prom & Disco 6pm – 8pm
Friday 10th July 2026	School Reports to Parents
Friday 17th July 2026	Leavers Assembly – St Margaret’s Church 9:15am
Monday 20th July 2026	INSET DAY
Tuesday 21st July 2026	School Closed – Summer Break