

The Great Oak
CE Learning
Federation



Spring Term
2025
Friday 4th April
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)

Easter Holidays

This will be the final newsletter before the holidays so we would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a wonderful, restful Easter break and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 28th April.

Marvellous Class Assembly

A huge well done to Marvellous Minibeasts for taking part in their first assembly. It was clear how much their confidence has grown since their Nativity performance. Thank you to all of the parents that donated cakes and came to watch the children perform.

Cross Country

It has been wonderful watching the children progress and their confidence grow over the last three weeks. It was a great race! Well done to the team and we can not wait for the final race on Tuesday.

Church Service

On Tuesday 8th April, we will be holding an Easter Service at St. Margaret's Church. It will start at 2pm. Parents are more than welcome to come and join the children at Church.

Easter Disco

It is the Easter Disco on Wednesday 9th April, children can come to school wearing their own clothes. If your child has PE, please come to school wearing suitable clothing.



Star of the Week

Marvellous Minibeasts	Whole School
Fabulous Flamingos	Grayson & Seb
Perfect Penguins	Gracie & Frankie
Cheeky Chimps	Amelia & George

Christian Value Certificate Respectful Robin

Marvellous Minibeasts	Phoebe
Fabulous Flamingos	Lily
Perfect Penguins	Pippa
Cheeky Chimps	Nicole

Attendance

Marvellous Minibeasts	95.5%
Fabulous Flamingos	98%
Perfect Penguins	98%
Cheeky Chimps	97.7%

At Betley CE Primary School we are all Agents of Change!

We want to make changes - in ourselves, in our school, in our community and around the planet.



Agents
of
CHANGE



Climate Action and Sustainability

Betley CE Primary School is dedicated to climate action and has pledged to work towards carbon neutrality through the national 'Let's Go Zero' campaign. By committing to becoming zero carbon by 2030, we are joining schools across the UK in leading sustainable change and encouraging local councils and the government to support this vital movement.

Schools play a key role in inspiring their communities to take action on climate change. As part of the 'Let's Go Zero' network, we are sharing knowledge and strategies to reduce carbon emissions and create a more sustainable future.

By taking these steps, we are making a meaningful impact locally while contributing to a global solution. Learn more at Let's Go Zero



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Governor Spotlight

Introducing Mr Morris!

Hello, my name is Dennis Morris, and I have had the privilege of serving as a cooperative governor for 35 years. My journey began when my son started school, and I took on the role of a parent governor. Over the years, I have dedicated myself to supporting the school community, contributing my insights and experience to help shape the educational environment for our students. It has been incredibly rewarding to see the school grow and succeed, and I am proud to have been a part of this journey.

In addition to my role as a governor, I have been self-employed for 49 years as a builder, with a background as a joiner by trade. Living close to the school has allowed me to maintain a strong connection with the students, staff, and parents. As a shared owner and director of Roosters, I have been able to demonstrate my entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to local business development. My

expertise in construction and joinery has not only benefited my professional career but also the local community.

My involvement in the community extends beyond the school. I have been an active member of the Betley Show Committee for over 35 years, contributing to the organization and success of this local event. Additionally, I have played a significant role in the Bonfire community for 12 years, helping to organize and manage the annual bonfire celebrations. My dedication to these community activities showcases my passion for bringing people together and creating memorable experiences for everyone involved.

FOBS

The next meeting will be held at The Swan on 29th April starting at 7pm. All families are welcome.

Up-coming events:

APRIL

Easter Disco 09.04.2025
(15:30-17:00)

Easter Tombola 10.04.2025
(15:30 playground)

Class Dojo

Decorate the doughnut template and fill in the middle with a song that makes you feel happy.

Please return your task by Thursday 10th April to receive 20 Dojos.

All tasks will be displayed in the Collective Worship Areas.

1330

1413

2925

1854

Tuesday 8th April 2025

Easter Service – St Margaret’s Church 14:00

Wednesday 9th April 2025

Easter Disco 3:30pm – 5pm

Thursday 10th April 2025

Easter Tombola 3:30pm - playground

Musician of the month

Bessie Smith

<https://www.betley.staffs.sch.uk/musician-of-the-week/>

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 has been The Naturalists, part of the Sacred Pathway. The children have thought about the type of nature they like.

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

Please note: The price of school dinners will be increasing to £3.20 from 1st April 2025

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: BBQ Chicken Tortilla with Golden Rice

Vegetarian option – Mild & Sweet Veggie Curry with Golden Rice

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

Vegetarian option – Loaded Yorkshire with Roasties

Thursday: Italian Sausage Pasta Bake

Vegetarian option – Penne with Vegballs & Tomato Sauce

Friday: Fish Fingers with Chips

Vegetarian option – Vegetable Fingers with Chips

Important Dates

Tuesday 8th April 2025	Easter Service – St Margaret’s Church 14:00
Wednesday 9th April 2025	Easter Disco 3:30pm – 5pm
Thursday 10th April 2025	Easter Tombola 3:30pm - playground
Monday 14th April 2025 – Friday 25th April 2025	School Closed
Tuesday 29th April 2025	FOBS Meeting 7pm
Friday 2nd May 2025	Academy Photography – Class Photos & Leavers
Monday 12th May 2025 - Thursday 15th May 2025	KS2 SATS
Friday 23rd May 2025	Year 6 Lichfield Cathedral Trip
Monday 26th May 2025 – Friday 30th May 2025	School Closed
Monday 2nd June 2025	INSET DAY
Wednesday 11th June 2025	Sports Day 1:15pm
Thursday 12th June 2025	Class 2 – Manchester Runway Trip

Tuesday 17th June 2025	Class 3 -Peak District
Friday 13th June 2025	Father's Day Breakfast
Wednesday 25th June 2025	Reserve Sports Day 1:15pm
Friday 4th July 2025	Celebration Carnival 14:00
Thursday 10th July 2025	Prom and Disco
Friday 11th July 2025	Reports to Parents
Monday 14th July 2025	Drop in Parental Meetings
Wednesday 16th July 2025	KS2 Leavers Play 13:30 & 17:30 – Village Hall
Friday 18th July 2025	Leavers Assembly – St Margaret's Church 09:15
Monday 21st July 2025	INSET DAY
Tuesday 22nd July 2025	School Closed – Summer Break
Monday 1st September 2025	INSET DAY
Tuesday 2nd September 2025	INSET DAY
Monday 27th October 2025 – Friday 31st October 2025	School Closed – Half Term
Friday 19th December 2025	INSET DAY
Monday 22nd December 2025 – Friday 2nd January 2026	School Closed – Christmas Break
Thursday 5th February 2026	Young Voices- Manchester CO-OP Arena
Monday 16th February 2026 – Friday 20th February 2026	School Closed – Half Term
Monday 30th March 2026 – Friday 10th April 2026	School Closed – Easter Break
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
Monday 20th July 2026	INSET DAY
Tuesday 21st July 2026	School Closed – Summer Break