

>>> NEWSLETTER <<<

THE BELSTEADS SCHOOL



NEWS OF THE WEEK



Our first week back has been a good one. We are all settling down to our new term.

Our topic this half term is 'Equality and Diversity'. Students have begun to look at different cities around the UK as a starting point. Our PE is netball, which takes place at the Chelmsford Riverside Centre. Students returned from their sessions suitably exhausted!

We have some new members of staff on our team. Nadine, who has joined Ignite Class, Kit, who is in Nurture Class and Mel, who has settled into Inspire Class now too. We are making sure that they feel welcomed at the #bestschoolintheuniverse!

This time of year is always a bit more of a challenge here because we are set in almost twelve acres of land and much of it is muddy! However, it will soon be Spring. Hooray!



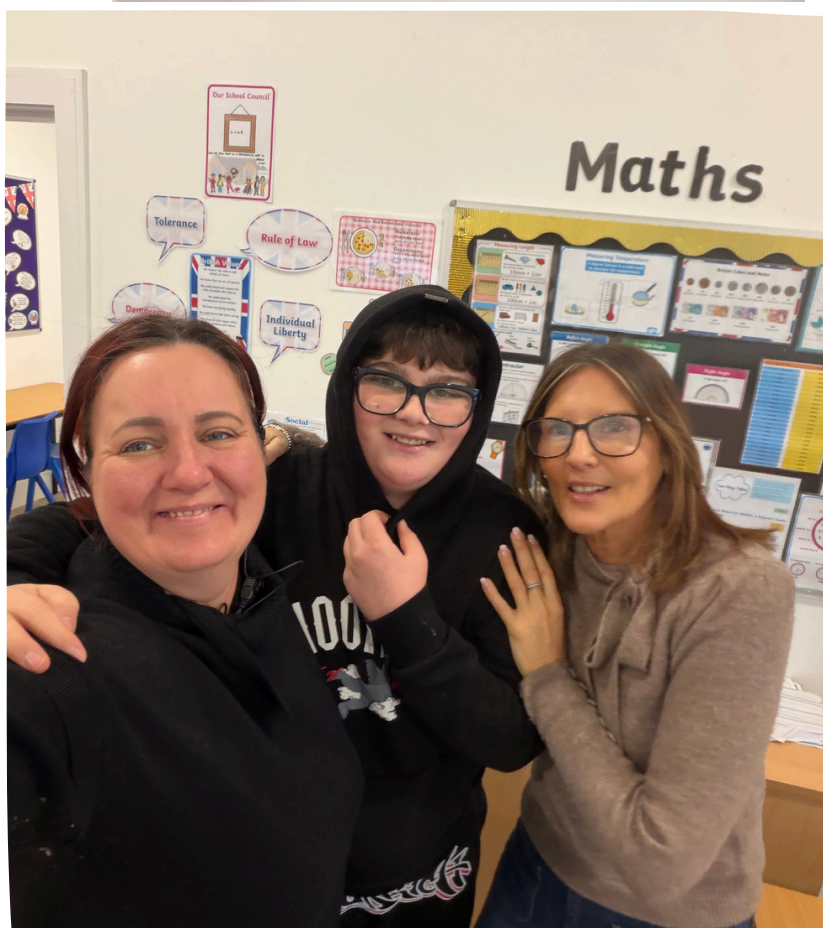
THIS WEEK'S ASSEMBLY

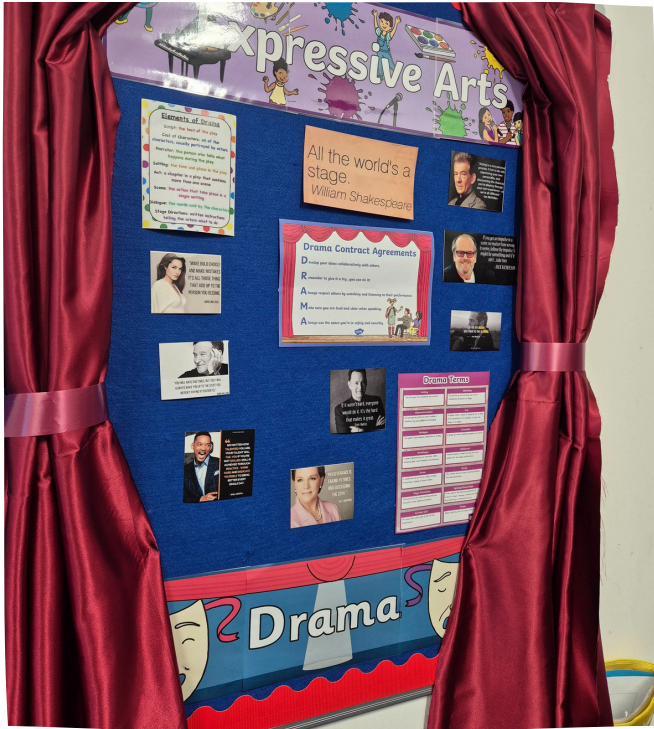
Our first assembly of the term was a welcome back and sharing of some of the exciting things that will take place over the coming weeks.

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Photos include:
Some of our
displays, ready for
the term ahead.
Dennis about to
celebrate his 15th
birthday. Some
students settled and
working this week.
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**Diary dates: Half term - Friday
13th February INSET day**

**Coming up - a visit from Living
Creatures. A day at school with
some fabulous, unusual animals.**



**My headteacher's award this
week goes to:**

**Kodi, who has returned to
school in such a positive
frame of mind and he's
increased his days now too.
Well done Kodi. What a
great start to 2026!**

**and finally...
We have a very useful link on our
website, which demonstrates
our approach to behaviour at
our school. It's really useful.**

<https://belsteads.essex.sch.uk/behaviour-approach/>

NEWS, EVENTS AND INFORMATION
FROM THE ESSEX LOCAL OFFER TEAM WELCOMING PARENTS TO THE
ROADSHOW.

ESSEX LOCAL OFFER SEND ROADSHOWS

WE HAVE JUST FINISHED THE AUTUMN TERM ROADSHOWS. WE VISITED LOUGHTON, BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH, BRENTWOOD AND HARWICH. WE HAVE NOW VISITED 45 DIFFERENT PLACES ACROSS ESSEX AND WELCOMED 2,137 FAMILIES.

THE ROADSHOWS WILL BE RETURNING IN THE SPRING TERM. WE WILL BE VISITING:

WEST ESSEX - HARLOW PLAYHOUSE, HARLOW

MID ESSEX - CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH, CHELMSFORD

SOUTH ESSEX - WAT TYLER, BASILDON

NORTH ESSEX - COLCHESTER STADIUM, COLCHESTER

TO FIND OUT MORE, VISIT THE LOCAL OFFER WEBSITE.

SUPPORTING PARENTS AND CARERS IN ESSEX (SPACE)

A NEW, FREE SUPPORT SERVICE FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN WITH SEND IN ESSEX IS NOW AVAILABLE.

SPACE OFFERS FREE SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SEND (0 TO 25).

SUPPORT IS DELIVERED BY PEER EDUCATORS WHO ARE PARENTS AND CARERS WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE.

SUPPORT CAN BE ACCESSED IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

PHONE: ONE-TO-ONE CONVERSATIONS WITH A PEER EDUCATOR

ONLINE: WEBINARS ON KEY TOPICS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE EXPERIENCES

