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THE BELSTEADS SCHOOL



NEWS OF THE WEEK



Read more - We've had an incredibly busy first week back after our half term holiday. Our new topic of 'Food Glorious Food' is underway and the run up to Christmas has begun!

Our Halloween holiday club and our bonfire & firework event went really well. The firework event was our most favourite yet and it was lovely to see so many families and friends too.

In Empower Class, students have created some fabulous potions, as part of their writing instructions work. Some of them were quite revolting and others smelled delicious!

PE this half term is a type of circuit training. I think students will be very fit if they join in and take part every session.



THIS WEEK'S ASSEMBLY

Pete and Hannah's assembly was all about Guy Fawkes and very topical!



Photos include:

Our visit from Rob, the ice cream man, who was celebrating his 40th anniversary in the business. Rob gave us all free ice creams, which was so generous of him. Also, our Halloween day at holiday club and, of course, our bonfire and fireworks event too. Not forgetting, a visit from a Traffic Officer, who let us explore his car and he told us all about his role as well.

Finally, Adam, in Year 11, celebrating his 16th birthday!





Empower Class

Empower Class have been exploring instructional writing in English. We are looking at *The Witches' Brew of Whispering Shadows*, which has links to *Macbeth*. The students investigated sensory elements such as smell, sound, and texture within the text. They then used their imagination to design their own potions, experimenting with a range of ingredients. Each student gave their potion a unique name and designed a warning label to accompany it.







Children in Need is next Friday 14th November.

We will be sending out some sponsor forms for the 'Challenge Yourself to 25'

tasks we will be setting on Thursday at the PE session.

Friday is a pyjama/dressing up day too, as part of the Children in Need event!

**HALLOWEEN HOLIDAY CLUB
HORROR CREATED BY CLAIRE,
A PROFESSIONAL MAKE UP
ARTIST!!**



**My award this week goes to Angus,
who immediately offered his
help by keeping our main building
free of mud and stones!
This is a never ending task here
during the winter months.
Thank you, Angus.**



Connecting Futures via The Bridge

Targeted Employment's 'The Bridge' links businesses with education to create inclusive employment workplace opportunities. Thank you to parents who've already connected us with their networks. This support has helped unlock Supported Internships, Accessible Apprenticeships, and valuable work experience.

Please keep spreading the word by encouraging local employers to connect with The Bridge. Together, we're shaping a future where everyone has the chance to thrive.

To find out more, visit the [Essex Opportunities website](#).

Post-16 Opportunities Events Calendar

Targeted Employment's Post-16 opportunities Events Calendar offers a year-long guide to careers fairs, college open days, skills shows, and transition events to help young people and parents and carers prepare for their journey into adulthood. Stay updated and plan ahead by checking the calendar regularly or by contacting: targetedemployment@essex.gov.uk

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/>

The Essex Local Offer website

provides information about help available to children and young people (aged 0 to 25) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

You can also find information on:

- support, groups and activities
- help with learning
- advice for young people
- health and wellbeing
- housing and employment
- financial support

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