



## “Inspiring Learning”

### HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

It's hard to believe this is the end of our 6<sup>th</sup> week of term! Only 2 to go until our half term break.

Our school council have started some very important work in leading discussions with their groups regarding our school vision and values. We've collected some very interesting views so far and now we need yours. I am scheduling two online meetings next week and would love you to join me so that we can discuss your views about what you consider important to our pupils at Bellingham Middle School. The meetings will be held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October from 6pm until 7pm. If you would like to attend these online, please contact the school office via email and we will send you the link.

[middleadmin@bellinghampartnership.uk](mailto:middleadmin@bellinghampartnership.uk)

Instead of our usual parent evenings this term, form tutors will be available to call parents and carers in the week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> October. This will be a general overview about how your child has settled back into school, their attitude towards learning as well as any issues in lessons we feel you should know about. Letters will be sent home at the start of next week so that convenient dates and times can be booked.

Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

Lindsay Hamilton

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### House Hockey!

This week the pupils have been taking part in our house hockey competition and the winners are:

**Year 5 - Osprey, Year 6 - Merlin/Peregrine, Year 7 - Osprey, Year 8 - Kestrel/Peregrine.**

The overall winners were Peregrine and Osprey who finished with 11 points. Kestrel were very unlucky as they also finished on 11 points but only won 1 tournament compared to the 2 Year tournaments won by the winning teams. Merlin are 4th on 9 points after 1 event. Well done to everyone who took part. As usual, the team spirit shown was outstanding!





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### SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

What a great afternoon we had last Friday completing our sponsored walk! It was lovely to see all of the yellow items of clothing pupils had found in order to support the #helloyellow campaign run by Young Minds. We're very close to getting our specific grand total amount which we will share with you. The level of support, generosity and kindness has been quite overwhelming and we are really lucky to be part of such a wonderful community!





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### Our very own Sports Leaders!

Today the pupils delivered their games sessions to their peers. The standard was outstanding considering it was their first attempt at coaching a games session. The enthusiasm, voice projection and coaching position of the leaders was brilliant and is highly encouraging for the rest of the year.



### FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND KEY DATES

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

**Online meetings – Vision and Values**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

**Flu Vaccinations in school**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October**

**Home/School Contact Week**

**Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

**Wear pink day in support of Breast Cancer Awareness**

**Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

**Teacher Training Day – no pupils in school**

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

**Start of second half of Autumn term**

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> December**

**End of Autumn term**