

# Belmont Primary School Newsletter December 16th 2016



Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of another busy and productive term here at Belmont. I have no doubt that many of the children are exhausted following their efforts and I hope everybody is looking forward to a well earned break.

### Christmas Lunch

What a wonderful lunchtime was had by all on Wednesday! It was fabulous to see (and in many cases, hear!) the array of festive jumpers being worn by adults and children alike. I must extend both thanks and congratulations to our magnificent staff who work in the kitchens for such a fantastic job. I am sure it was enjoyed by all.

### Signing In and Out of School

Please be advised that we have a 'signing in and out' procedure for if you need to collect your child from school for appointments. It is important that this is completed for safety reasons. Many thanks for your support.

### Mrs Anderson

Mrs Anderson leaves us today to embark upon a new adventure in teaching. We all wish her the very best for the future.

In January we will be welcoming Mr Sam Gowland to our team. Mr Gowland has worked in the school before on a number of occasions and is familiar with many of the children.

### Performances

What a busy two weeks it has been!

Firstly, many congratulations to Reception and Key Stage One for a stunning nativity performance! The confidence, talent and enthusiasm shown by everybody was absolutely phenomenal and really did showcase our wonderful children so magnificently. We also had the Year Five strings performance. It is amazing how quickly the children have developed in learning their stringed instrument and, next term, we will see how they have moved on yet more. Well done to you all!

Finally, we had the Taiko drumming performance which I was unfortunately unable to attend.

However, I have been informed that the children were tremendous as always, again displaying talent and enthusiasm in equal measure. Fantastic work!

### School Lunch Money

For those who prefer to pay half termly, the cost of lunches next half term will be £58.

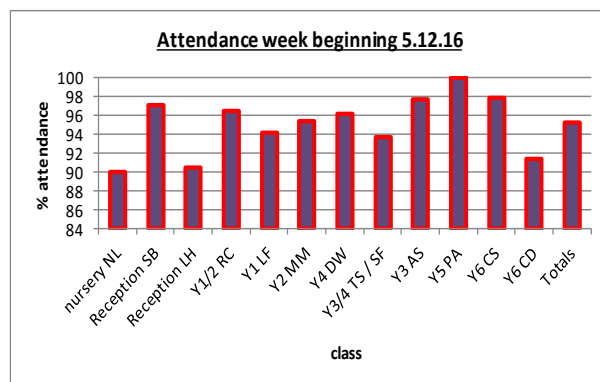
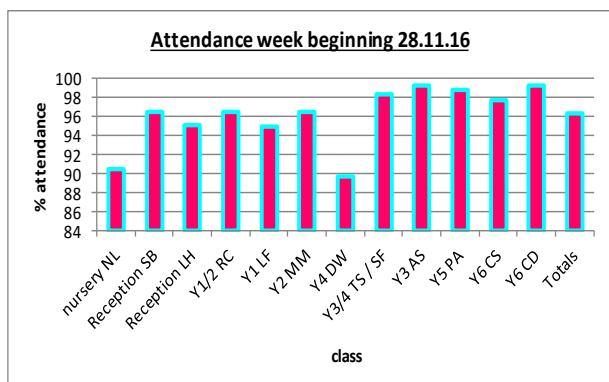
### Lunchtime Supervisor

Please note that the closing date for applications will be the first day back after the break, Tuesday 3rd January.

### PD Day Reminder

As mentioned previously, we will be closed for staff training on Monday 27th February 2017.

## Attendance



It would seem that there has been another one hundred per cent for Mrs Anderson's class last week! Let's see if, in the new year, we can have a few more classes meeting the goal of full attendance for the week.

Today in assembly, **ninety nine** children received a certificate in recognition of their full attendance this term! Fantastic achievement given the illnesses which have been circulating.

## Diary Dates

We will continue to update the list below for your information:

**Tuesday 3rd January:** Return to school;

**Tuesday 24th January:** E Safety talks for parents (2pm or 4pm options);

**Friday February 10th:** Break up for half term;

**Monday 20th February:** Return to school;

**Monday 27th February:** PD Day: Children not in school

**Wednesday 22nd March:** Year Five residential visit to Robinwood;

**Friday 24th March:** Year Five return;

**Monday 27th March:** KS1 and KS2 reports to go home;

**Monday 3rd April / Wednesday 5th April:** Parents' Evenings;

**Friday April 7th:** Break up for Easter;

**Monday 24th April:** Return to school;

**Throughout the month of May:** Key Stage One (Year 2) testing month;

**Monday 1st May:** Bank holiday: school closed;

**Monday 8th May - Friday 12th May: Year Six SATs Testing Week;**

**Friday 26th May:** Break up for half term;

**Monday 12th June: Year One Phonics Testing Week;**

**Thursday 6th July:** Sports Day

All that is left is to wish you, your families and your friends a most pleasant and restful Christmas.

Best wishes from all at Belmont Primary School

Yours Sincerely,

Chris Gibson

