

Belmont Primary School Newsletter November 11th 2016



Dear Parents,

It would appear that winter has decided to descend somewhat earlier than usual this year and the sight of snow on the hills on Wednesday is certainly a reminder of what the weather may have in store for us! With this in mind, please do ensure that your child is equipped with appropriate winter clothing and please do ensure that all items are named. We do know that such garments as gloves, scarves and hats can be separated from their owners but, if named, it makes it much easier to reunite owner and clothing! Many thanks.

Remembrance Day

This will be observed in school today and, further to this, a group of children will be attending the Guisborough Remembrance Day Parade with Mrs Robinson and Mrs Biles on Sunday. Many thanks to the children and also the accompanying adults.

Parent Questionnaire

Many thanks to all who completed one of these at the end of last half term. The data from these has been collated and will be appearing in full on our website. I have attached the overview data for your information. I found the comments really useful and will be looking at acting on suggestions and ideas offered to us, most notably in terms of how we communicate effectively with you. I shall be looking into the possibility of more efficient ways via electronic media and, as always, will keep you updated on solutions we have found. In terms of keeping you informed of your child's progress, we will now be sending home reports on a termly basis which we hope will provide you with more frequent updates. If you wish to discuss any of the comments further, then please contact me and I am most happy to do so. Once again, many thanks for taking the time over these.

PD Days

Just a reminder that school will be closed to children on **Friday 25th November and Monday 28th November.**

School Crossing Patrol

Please be informed that our wonderful crossing patrol warden Marilyn will not be overseeing the crossing on Eglinton Avenue next **Tuesday 15th November.**

Christmas Cards

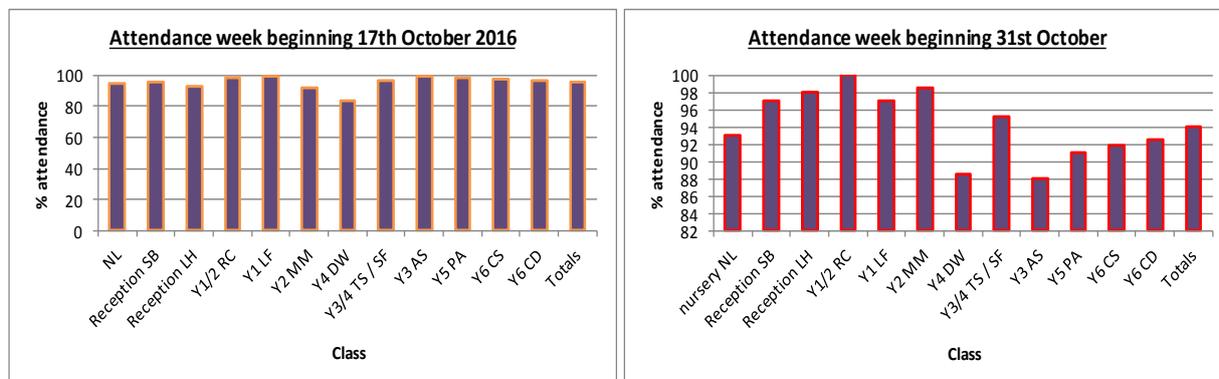
If you have not yet placed your order for your child's Christmas cards, the deadline for this is this coming **Monday 14th November.**

Children In Need

Next Friday 18th November, children will be invited to wear non uniform for a £1 donation which will go towards Children In Need.

Attendance

Well done to Miss Cook's class who achieved 100% last week. There have been several 'near misses' with percentage marks around 99%. Let's see if all classes can achieve a '100% week' by the end of term!



Diary Dates

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

Friday 18th November: Non uniform day in aid of Children in Need

Friday 25th November: PD Day: school closed;

Monday 28th November: PD day: school closed;

Friday 2nd December: Christmas Fair;

Wednesday 7th December: Nativity performance (Reception parents invited to attend);

Friday 9th December: Key Stage One / Two reports to go out;

Wednesday 14th December: Christmas lunch;

Friday 16th December: End of term;

Tuesday 3rd January: Return to school;

Friday February 10th: Break up for half term;

Monday 20th February: Return to 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 5th June: Return to school

Monday 12th June: Year One Phonics Testing Week;

Thursday 6th July: Sports Day

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend,

Yours Sincerely,

Chris Gibson