

Belmont Primary School Newsletter October 21st 2016



Dear Parents,

It seems to have passed in the blink of an eye, but we have reached the end of an incredibly busy half term.

Poppies

We would like to remind you that, as the time of remembrance approaches, we will have poppies on sale within the school.

Sporting Successes

Last week, the Year Five and Six rugby team attended a tournament at Guisborough Rugby Club. Two of our teams won all of their matches whilst the other lost one having won the rest. I am absolutely delighted to say that all children competed in a fierce yet fair manner, displaying fantastic teamwork as well as some individual brilliance (from all players!). Further to this, their behaviour and 'sportsmanship' was second to none. As one of the accompanying members of staff, I can say that I felt enormously proud of their conduct in every respect. Well done to all and many thanks to Miss Binns and Mrs Turner who accompanied and supported the children.

Field To Fork

Last week, the Nursery children visited Tesco in Redcar to participate in their 'Field to Fork' programme. Having spoken to Mrs Lynas, a wonderful time was had by all, the only disappointment being that nobody brought me back any lunch! Again, the conduct of the children was fantastic. Well done to all.

Early Years Visitors

The children in EYFS have been learning about 'People Who Help Us'. In the past few weeks, they have been visited by the Cleveland Mountain Rescue Team, Guide dogs for the Blind and the RNLI. They have also been to the post-box to send some postcards. It is fantastic that these opportunities are afforded to the children and we are enormously grateful for the time people give over by our visitors to support the children in their learning. Many thanks must also go to the staff members who have contacted the various organisations.

Lunch Money

Next half term is seven weeks long. However, there are two PD days which means the total cost for lunches will be £66.

Vacancy

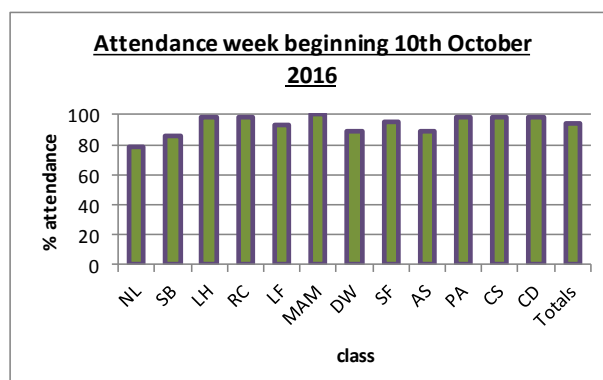
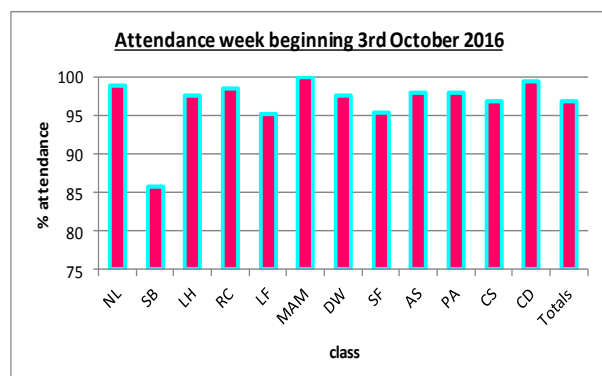
We will be advertising for a new lunchtime supervisor to commence as soon as possible. If you head to our website at www.belmont-primary.org and find the 'about us' tab, the details will be appearing there very soon.

Parents' Evening

Many thanks to all of you who attended Parents' Evening and took the time to complete a questionnaire. If you did not complete one and would like to do so, please call in at the office where I shall ensure a supply is kept. I will be collating these over half term but any responses received after can be added in. With this in mind, I shall not publish results until **Friday 11th November**.

Attendance

I am delighted to say that we have had two 'back to back' 100% attendance winners! Congratulations to Miss MacSween's class who achieved this feat as you can see below. Let's see if any other class can match this tremendous effort!



Diary Dates

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

Friday 21st October 3.10pm: Break up for half term;
Monday 31st October: Return to school;
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 12th June: Year One Phonics Testing Week;
Thursday 6th July: Sports Day

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend,

Yours Sincerely,

Chris Gibson