

# Belmont Primary School Newsletter March 3rd 2017



Dear Parents,

We hope that you managed to have a pleasant half term break. It has been a fantastically busy return to school with many exciting events occurring both inside and outside of the classroom!

### Sport For Schools

Last Friday we welcomed James Denny into Belmont Primary to work with the children on their sponsored circuits. I was absolutely amazed by the energy and enthusiasm of the children (and the staff!) as they undertook the activities with such positivity! I felt almost exhausted just watching! We were also treated to a wonderfully inspirational assembly from James during which he demonstrated his own wonderful athleticism. We will let you know how much money was raised once we have counted it all in. Many thanks to you all for helping support this event.

### Reading Breakfast

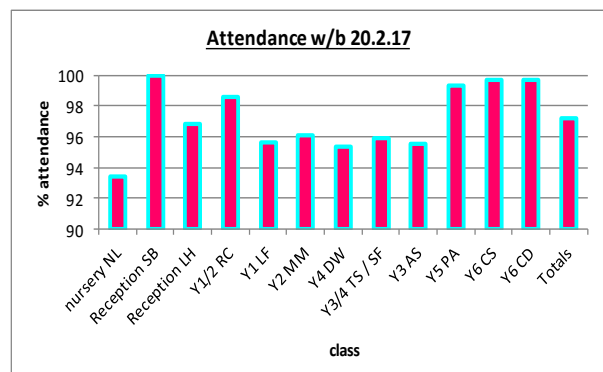
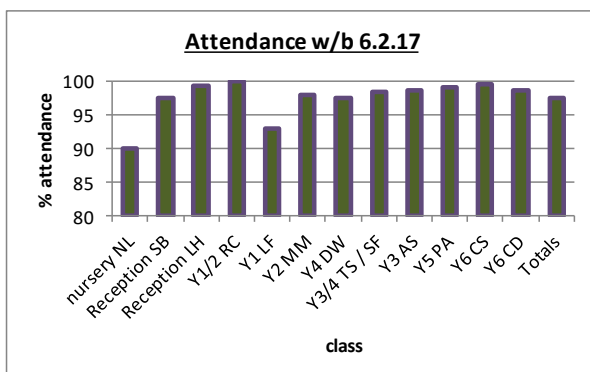
It was magnificent to welcome so many of you to our Reading Breakfasts this week. Everybody appeared to be fully engaged in their activities (and their breakfasts!). We do hope that you enjoyed attending and it is our intention to run a similar activity in the near future. For those who attended, we will be giving out evaluation sheets as we would love to have your feedback and what you think went well and also suggestions as to what you feel may enhance the experience yet more. Many thanks to all who attended and to staff members for all their time and effort into making the event a success.

### PD Days

This academic year, there is one PD Day left to allocate. This has been decided as being on **Friday 30th June**. This is just before our three week transition period begins. As you may recall, back in November we planned two PD Days to provide families with a 'long weekend', something which I am aware was well received by many of you. This year, we will be repeating this based on the positive feedback (and the positive impact it had on school attendance). The dates for the November PD Days are to be **Friday 24th November and Monday 27th November**.

### Attendance

We have had two classes achieving 100% attendance since the last newsletter. In the week leading up to half term, Miss Cook's class took the accolade and last week, Miss Binns' class also achieved the magnificent feat of 100% attendance. We will once again be having the 'attendance tea party' at the end of the term for all children achieving 100% attendance throughout the term as well as handing out certificates.



### Diary Dates

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

**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;**

We wish you all a pleasant weekend.

Yours Sincerely,

Chris Gibson