

# Belmont Primary School Newsletter June 23rd 2017



Dear Parents,

What a fortnight! Sweltering in a heatwave then running for cover as the heavens open! Rain is good, but the timing could have been better...!

### Sports Day

A day of two halves, some might say! It was fantastic to see so many of you yesterday morning for the Early Years and KS1 Sports Day. The children seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves with a perfect climate; not too hot, not too cold! Further to the way the children competed, I was incredibly proud of our fabulous Year Five Sports Leaders who arrived at school early in the morning to help set up the activities. They then excelled themselves in the manner in which they worked with the children and assisted them whilst they competed.

It was really disappointing that the rain arrived when it did, preventing us from holding the KS2 event. We are hopeful that something can be rearranged. If this is the case, we shall, of course, let you know at the earliest possible opportunity. Many thanks to Mr Guy Sweetman also for his tireless efforts in organising the activities and training up our Sports Leaders.

### Football

Our girls' football team really excelled themselves earlier this week. A potentially tricky away fixture at Chaloner saw them run out 5-0 winners! This is a brilliant achievement for the girls and I am aware that their quality of play and sporting behaviour was, as we would all expect, phenomenal. Well done, team; a fabulous effort. Many thanks also to Miss Binns who has spent a good deal of time working with the girls.

### School Trips

Key Stage One enjoyed a lovely trip to Kirkleatham to support their studies. All of the children (certainly those I have spoken to) really enjoyed themselves. Year Six attended 'Crucial Crew' yesterday, a terrific event which aims to teach young people about how to respond to 'real life' challenges.

### Parent Events

It has been lovely to see so many parents in school supporting children in the school. Key Stage One children (and their helpers) showed their engineering skills, making and testing their cars. It was also fantastic to see Year Three and Year Four families and friends making their shields. We have received some really lovely feedback on these events and many thanks to all those who took the time to both support these events and offer their views on them. We are all really appreciative and value your support enormously.

### End of Year Reports

Because of the three week transition, these are quite early. At the end of the term we will evaluate the successes and shortcomings of this transition and there will no doubt be some areas next year we may wish to look at altering slightly. However, having read all reports, it is clear that the children all have many things to be proud of. Writing reports is, as you will doubtless be aware, time consuming but nonetheless, it is something we enjoy doing. It is wonderful for us to be able to celebrate children's achievements with you in this way.

### School Discos

Many thanks to FoB for organising this. It was really well attended and enjoyed by all. A number of people have asked how they can get involved with FoB. They can be emailed at: [fob-primary@outlook.com](mailto:fob-primary@outlook.com). Alternatively, leave your name with the school office and we can pass this on.

### Cystic Fibrosis Wear Yellow Day

Today the children were offered the opportunity to wear something yellow. We are pleased to say we have raised £300.00 towards this charity.

### Barbeque Lunch

Many thanks to our wonderful kitchen team who worked with the weather to provide a lovely barbeque lunch this week.

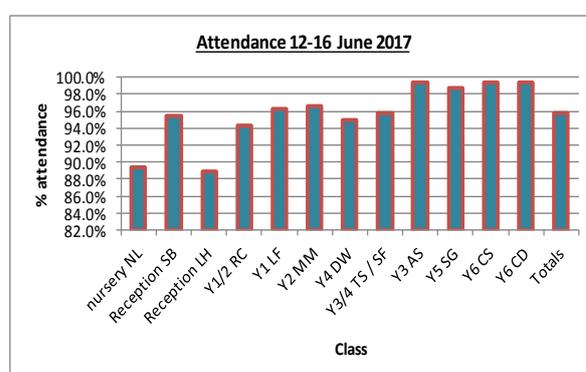
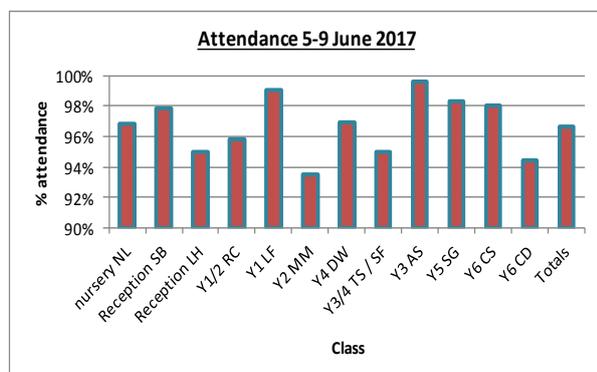
### Term Dates

I have included these again below. There will be one further PD Day to allocate.

TERM	START DATE	END DATE	HALF TERM	PD DAYS
AUTUMN	1st September*	22nd December	23rd - 27th October	*1st September, 24th and 27th November
SPRING	8th January	29th March	12th - 16th February	TBC
SUMMER	16th April	23rd July	28th May - 1st June	Monday 23rd July

### Attendance

Still no 100% (although a couple of classes are incredibly close!). Let's go for a real push between now and the end of term. The prize bag is full, ready and waiting!



### Year Six

This will be the last newsletter to be produced before our wonderful Year Six children depart to embark upon new adventures. I would like to say that during the time they have spent within the school, each and every one of them has been an absolute credit to themselves, their families and, indeed, the school. They should be incredibly proud of the young people they have developed into and there is no doubt whatsoever that they all have the potential to contribute enormously to the society they serve. All the very best, Year Six.

### Diary Dates

**Monday 26th June:** Parent Consultation Meetings;

**Tuesday 27th June:** Year Six Leavers' Performance;

**Wednesday 28th June:** Parent Consultation Meetings;

**Friday 30th June:** PD Day: school closed to pupils

**Monday 3rd July:** Commencement of three week transition: children to move up to their new classes for the remainder of the term;

**Friday 21st July:** End of the school year.

As always, many thanks for your continued support and we wish you a pleasant and restful weekend.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr C Gibson