



Belmont Primary School Newsletter October 16th 2020



Dear Parents / Carers,

We have reached the end of yet another week, just seven days short of the end of the first half term of the year!

Parents' Evenings

As I am sure you will be aware, we are unable, for obvious reasons, to facilitate the Parents' Evenings which would usually happen next week. Please do be assured, however, that, as always, we will keep parents and carers informed of any key information relating to their children should the need ever arise. Similarly, if you have any concerns, please do contact us via telephone to allow the class teacher to discuss these with you. We will be providing end of term reports in December as usual.

Awareness in the Community

As the evenings gradually begin to draw in, it may be worth reminding children, especially those who walk home alone, about being aware of people who they do not know approaching them and how to react in such circumstances. We have been made aware of an incident where a young person, not from Belmont, was approached and responded in an appropriate manner.

Freeflow!

We are aware of some issues relating to the uploading of files onto the platform. Mrs Noble has been following this up and it would appear that there is a limit on upload size (2mb). This will (if not already done) be increased to 3mb. We have also been informed that a warning will be given if a file size is too big to upload. Apparently, Samsung 'phones are a particular issue as they have an especially high resolution which increases the file size! Hope this helps.

Cleaner Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a cleaner. If you are interested in this, please contact the school office who will be able to provide you with more information.

Lauderdale Drive Speed Restrictions

Things certainly seemed to calm down a bit earlier in the week but we are still concerned about the number of people who are CLEARLY exceeding the 20 mile per hour limit outside the school and are similarly clearly driving with disregard for members of both the school and, indeed, the local community. This is also evident in surrounding streets. For most, it would appear to be sensible to exercise additional caution when driving in built up areas where people will clearly be wishing to cross the road, often from around parked cars. I am aware from discussions held with many of you that I am not the only one concerned about this so could I once again request that we all take responsibility to help ensure the safety of OUR community. Thank you.

Attendance

Although there is no longer any competitive element to this, last week across the school we had 99% attendance for the second consecutive week with five classes achieving 100%!

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend and remember, next Friday 23rd October, we break up for our weeklong half term break.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr C Gibson