



Belmont Primary School Newsletter December 17th 2021



Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to the end of the Autumn Term!

Christmas Concerts

Many thanks to absolutely everybody involved in the Christmas Concerts we hosted this week. They were a wonderful way to end the term and it was fantastic to see so many of you in attendance. Although the weather on either day was not ideal, it did not seem to dampen anybody's enjoyment or enthusiasm.

The Reindeer Run

The amount raised has, in my own opinion, surpassed even the highest of expectations. The total now stands at **£6565.95** which is an absolutely phenomenal accomplishment and many thanks to everybody who donated to this magnificent cause. The money was handed over yesterday to Teesside Hospice and many thanks to Charlie in Year Four and Sophia in Year Six for joining me in the presentation.



Reception

Mrs Hugill will be returning to Belmont in January and will be sharing the class teaching role with Mrs Hughes. Mrs Hughes will be teaching the class Mondays and Tuesdays, Mrs Hugill on Thursdays and Fridays and they will work alternate Wednesdays. Mrs Hughes will be teaching the first Wednesday back. Many thanks to Mrs Atkinson for all her energy, hard work and enthusiasm and she will still be working with us in different areas of the school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

The 'Long Weekend' 2022

Many of you like to plan in advance and of course, I am aware that early booking (if you are looking to go away) can be cost effective! With this in mind, I would like to share with you that the school will be closed to pupils for PD Days on Friday 2nd December and Monday 5th December. I have attached the calendar for the 2022—2023 school year with those dates highlighted. We will publish the school's actual term dates early in 2022 but, looking at the organisation of the first week, we are strongly considering returning on Thursday 1st September (without a PD Day).

Parent / Carer Questionnaire

I have completed the analysis for Reception up to Year Six (the Nursery version will be completed in the new year). This will be uploaded to the website in due course (it is 49 pages long). Many thanks for all of your comments, thoughts and suggestions, each of which has been read, considered and responded to in the document.

We return to school on Tuesday 4th January. We all know there is all kind of speculation around how this might look but as far as I am concerned, as things stand, there is no reason to think all children will not be returning. However, we have got all of the first week's work on Teams ready to go if needs be.

Many thanks for all your kind words, gifts, cards, messages and, as always, support through this term. From all of us here at Belmont, we would like to wish you an enjoyable and restful Christmas break and hope you are able to share it with those most important to you.

Yours Sincerely

Mr C Gibson