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Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope that you all managed to enjoy the 'longer weekend' last week. The staff were in school last Friday spending time developing our new writing programme which is now being used across the school. The children (and staff!) certainly seem to be engaging positively with it and I am sure it will provide some excellent outcomes in relation to our children's writing.

Sponsored Walk / Run

As mentioned in an earlier communication, we will be holding our sponsored walk / run for the Great North Air Ambulance on Friday 21st October (the last day of this half-term). Children are invited to wear non-uniform and encouraged to wear yellow and green, the colours associated with the GNAA (and those of you familiar with my football allegiances will know that this will be something of a challenge for me.....!!!). Sponsor forms have been handed out today and children have been reminded about NOT approaching people they do not know for sponsorships and allowing parents and carers to take the lead role in this. All children from Nursery to Year Six will be involved in this.

Parent / Carer Consultation Evenings

These will be held on Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th October from between 3.30 and 6pm. The online booking system will open on Monday 10th October at 9.00am for you to book your slot, you simply type:- belmontprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk into your browser and fill in the opening sections including your email address and one child's date of birth. It will automatically link any siblings so you can make convenient appointments to see more than one teacher if necessary.

Harvest

Next week sees the celebration of harvest across the school. On Tuesday 11th, Key Stage Two will be walking to St Nicholas' Church for their service starting at 1.30. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. On Thursday at 2.30pm and Friday at 9.10am, Key Stage One will be holding their harvest assembly in the Key Stage Two hall. Information has been shared in relation to this event. As always, we will be collecting donations for harvest which will be distributed at the end of Friday's assembly. If you would like to contribute we would appreciate donations of any tins or packets of food by Wednesday 12th October.

Sporting Events

Again this week we have had a number of children involved in sporting competitions. In the Cleveland round of the cross country, we had sixteen representatives from Key Stage Two! Of those children, five have qualified for the Tees Valley final next week, those children being Connie (Y5), Charlie J (Y5), Sonny (Y5), Ellis (Y5) and Layla H (Y6). Our two tag rugby teams who last week qualified for the Cleveland competition finished 4th and sixth and our girls' team finished 3rd and 4th, also in the Cleveland competition. Great work to all our representatives who, not surprisingly, were outstanding ambassadors for both the sport and our school.

Governors

You will have seen that we have extended the deadline for applications to become a parent governor. Please do give this some consideration and if you would like to discuss in a bit more depth about what this entails, give me a call and I would be more than happy to share a bit more information.

Wishing you a pleasant weekend,

Yours Sincerely,

Mr C Gibson