



## **Belton Update 15th November 2019**

What an eventful few weeks! The weather really hasn't been very kind to us and I thank everyone for their support on Thursday in particular. It was a shame we couldn't take part in the Tri Golf event but everyone's safety was more important!

Last Sunday it was great to see all the children and parents as part of Belton's Act of Remembrance. The children behaved so beautifully, as they did in school for our own two minutes' silence. I am very proud of you all. Thank you to Vicar Louise for making sure I was in the right place at the right time! Thank you also to the Creative Services who came into school to deliver an assembly themed around remembrance.

The Lions have also enjoyed a trip down the Nile as part of their topic on Egypt. It looked great fun looking at the different artefacts.

We have also held an open morning for parents thinking of sending their children to Belton - if you know anyone who didn't get the chance to come please encourage them to make an appointment to look round.

Today we have celebrated Children in Need. There has been a non-uniform day, a t-shirt competition and a cake sale. KS1 have also taken part in a live sports event in the hall this morning. KS2 have also been up to the Church to record the Christmas Carols CD as part of DioSing.

### **Golden Pencil**

Well done to Katie Jones who has become the first person to achieve their Golden Pencil. I have spoken to some children who were very close to getting their pencil about how to improve. I'll be looking again in the next few weeks.

### **Photos**

The photo orders have been collected and they should be ready in time for Christmas. Thank you to everyone who has placed an order. We have taken nearly £900 - a large increase on last year. School will get 20% commission.

Some parents have mentioned to me that they would like a change in how the photos are taken. I will be putting a form on WEDUC to find out from everyone their thoughts.

### **Bookmark Challenge**

It has been brilliant to see the amount of bookmarks in my special tin! We will draw two winners out today in assembly. Let's see if we can get more in next week. Remember the more of your bookmarks you put in, the more chance you have of winning!

### **Raffle tickets**

Please bring back the money and stubs as soon as you can. More raffle tickets are available if you are able to sell anymore!!

### **School dinners**

We have noticed that quite a lot of our children, including those who are entitled to Universal Free School meals are choosing not to have them. School Food Support service would like to understand



why. The children have filled in a questionnaire and we have put a parental questionnaire under FORMS on WEDUC - please fill it in. Thank you in advance.

### **Amazon Wishlist**

As you know we are in the middle of reinventing our school library. We have donated/ sold/given away quite a lot of books as they were looking quite dated and in poor condition. Also a lot of the books predated the 2014 National Curriculum.

Books are quite expensive and we are looking to buy lots of lovely new books for the children to enjoy. FOBS have kindly donated some money to help buy new furniture and if we have any money left to put it towards books. We are also going to use any commission gained from the book fair in December to top it up.

To ensure we have a variety of books I am also putting together an Amazon wishlist of books that the staff and children feel they would really like to see in the library. Once completed I will send it out to parents to see if anyone would like to buy the school a book. All books bought will have a slip put in the front of the book with the name of the person/child/family who have donated it. This is purely voluntary and if you are unable to donate a book please do not worry.

### **Coming Soon**

23<sup>rd</sup> November Cross Country Prestwold Hall **Cancelled due to waterlogged course**

29<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Tree Festival St Botolph's 3.15pm -7pm

30<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Tree Festival St Botolph's 10am - 5pm

1<sup>st</sup> December Christmas Tree Festival St Botolph's 2pm – 5pm

5<sup>th</sup> December Bed Time stories event

10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> December Book Fair in school - school gets 100% commission after £300 spent

10<sup>th</sup> December Stay and Play Tigers

11<sup>th</sup> December Nativity 2pm

12<sup>th</sup> December Nativity 6pm

13<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Jumper Day

13<sup>th</sup> December FOBS Christmas party after school

16<sup>th</sup> December Pantomime Loughborough Town Hall

17<sup>th</sup> December – Wear your party clothes to school – Tigers and Owls (am), Lions and Sea Otters (PM) Christmas party

18<sup>th</sup> December School Christmas Dinner

19<sup>th</sup> December DioSing Concert 6pm

**Have a great weekend Miss Scott**