

Belton Update 20th December 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe it is the end of term and the end of my very first term here at Belton. It has been a busy and event filled term, perhaps the longest in history too!! There are many things to be celebrated - too many to mention but include the amazing Nativity and Carol Concert during the last few weeks and also events from earlier on in the term,

including the Harvest Festival, Cross Country, Sea Otters trip to Kingswood, Remembrance Sunday, Owls trip to the mill and Pizza Express! Wow, we have packed a lot in!

I would like to thank all the children, parents and staff for making me feel so welcome during my first term here. Change can be a tricky thing for everyone but I have been made to feel extremely at home. Thank you!

I hope you all have a lovely holiday and we will see you back at school on **Monday 6**th **January.**



Miss Scott

Note from Vicar Louise

I'm delighted to have joined the school governing body this year, picking up the baton from Rev. Lauretta. My goodness, I need a glossary to learn what all the important letters stand for and what the seemingly endless documents are about! Like any language, I know I'll get it, but there are new words to learn, new meaning to grasp and it all takes practice and time. That's where the kindness of others comes into its own, where a warm welcome and smile can make all the difference; and thank you, I have received all of these. I look forward to becoming more and more competent in the issues of the governing body and a little less 'at sea'!

Like many jobs, responsibilities and vocations, we don't see much of the work that goes on in the background but I would like to express the gratitude of many for the commitment, skill and care which Miss Scott and the whole school staff continue to bring to the school community. It is a safe place of learning and relationship for our children; treasure indeed. *Vicar Louise*.

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From talking to some parents, on the whole it seems that everyone is enjoying the WEDUC system. There are a few chinks to be ironed out that we are working on. Next term we will be using the message system more and more to make sure that information you need gets straight to you, rather than being on the newsfeed and notices.



Swimming

Swimming starts for Owls on the 7th January for a 6 week block. Please remember swimming hats.

<u>Clubs</u>

Clubs this term have been cancelled far more than I would like. This is something I am working with staff and the sports teachers to rectify next term.



Book Fair and Amazon Wishlist

We raised £511 at the book fair! How amazing! We now get £511 to spend on books for the library!

The Amazon wishlist is still up and running! Our new library is going to be AMAZING when it all comes together!

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3FHITB4MIGMYH



FOBS

Thank you to FOBS for all the support they have given the school over the last term, including paying for the school to go to the pantomime. The disco was brilliant, the raffle was super and we appreciate the help that you give us including the book fair, teas and coffees at events etc.

Wetton Award:

This award is given for outstanding progress. The Autumn term award goes to Kane. Congratulations!

Stars of the term:

The overall all-rounder of the term goes to -

Tigers: Caitlin

Owls: Otis

Lions: Charlie

Sea Otters: Molly



Next term

See us in action!

I would like to invite parents into school every week on a Wednesday afternoon starting 22nd January from 2.40pm to 3.05pm. You are welcome to join your child/children's class(es) for a handwriting session at the end of the day.

Worship Workshop

Vicar Louise is looking for children from Year 4, 5 and 6 to take part in her weekly worship workshop during one lunch time next term. It will give children the opportunity to get involved with planning collective worship and exploring spirituality.

Dance Club

Next term, for 3 Friday afternoon sessions (in school time) a choreographer will be coming into school to teach the children involved in Dance Club their routine for the Dance Festival. Dance Club will also continue after school on a Tuesday.



Sports Ambassadors



Our sports ambassadors will start the daily boost next term! Watch this space!

If anything is bothering you -

From time to time there may be things you would like to ask me or to clarify. I would politely ask you to come and speak to me, rather than put things on social media. I can't help if I don't know.

Please catch me on the playground or pop into the office to make an appointment. I am more than happy to meet with you and discuss any concerns you may have.

Coming Soon

6th January 2020 School begins

20th January Year R and Year 6 height and weight check- School Nurse

3rd February Children's Mental Health Week

4th February Owls Church assembly

11th February Safer Internet day

2nd-6th March Book Week – lots of exciting events TBC

5th March World Book day- dress up

6th March Spelling Bee final (details to follow next term!)

2nd April Easter Egg Hunt (FOBS)

Have a great holiday, Miss Scott