



## **Belton Update 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

End of another week at school – now we are into the swing of things they are zooming by. The children are continuing to settle back to school really well. We have noticed that in general reading has taken a bit of a hit during lockdown, particularly with the children's comprehension. It is now more important than ever to keep reading at home and if your child reads well to ask them questions about their understanding. Teachers will be talking about this more during parents' evenings and will give you some tips about how to help your child with their comprehension.

I also want to thank all the parents who have come to school wearing face coverings and social distancing in the playground. Whilst of course I want the children to be part of lots of different activities, as I have previously said please do keep an eye on how many bubbles your child(ren) are in outside of school. Thank you.

### **Certificates this week**

**Tigers Stars of the week – Katie, Fynn, Ted and Isla**

**Owls - Stars of the week - Fred, Arlo, Freya and Leland**

**Lions - Ivy - Mindset Champion, Mathematician - Alfie, Handwriting - Katie and**

**Star of the week- Bella**

**Sea Otters - Erin - Mindset Champion, Mathematician - Archie, Handwriting - Oscar and**

**Star of the week - Violet**

### **Parents' evenings**

A parents' evening form has been added to WEDUC and if you could complete them as soon as possible. The office is very new at doing them this way so any issues please given them a ring. I did intend to do them socially distanced in school but due to the rising cases of Covid-19 I just don't feel comfortable in doing them this way. I have contemplated video calls but we all know what technology can be like so for this parents' evening we will stick with telephone calls!

When you fill in the form please put you preferred telephone number and complete a separate form for each child if you have more than one.

**5<sup>th</sup> October Owls**

**6<sup>th</sup> October Owls**

**7<sup>th</sup> October Tigers**

**8<sup>th</sup> October Tigers**

**12<sup>th</sup> October Sea Otters**

**13<sup>th</sup> October Sea Otters**

**14<sup>th</sup> October Lions**

**15<sup>th</sup> October Lions**



### School dinners

After half term we are hopefully planning to have a hot element back to school dinners through 'grab bags'. This will allow the children to have something warm as we go into the winter months but allow all the other safety measures to continue. School food support are working on an adapted menu and I will share it when I have it.

### Harvest

#### 28<sup>th</sup> September

Please can your child bring a donation of a non-perishable item on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September to school. The donations will be for the foodbank. It needs to be something they are able to carry up to church themselves. Vicar Louise will lead an act of worship for each bubble during the day (with a clean in between) in church. No parents will be allowed but each class will be sharing something they have done in class during each individual session. We are going to try to put a little video together to share with you.

### Google Classroom

We are finalising our approach to home learning, which will be ready by the end of September. In the event of a bubble closure there will be a large emphasis on the use of google classroom for the children. If you aren't familiar at home on how to use it, please look on the school website for a guide. We will be adding more information in the coming weeks. The children have all had their logins and passwords now and I know in KS2 some work is being set on it to get the children up to speed. Those parents of FS and Key stage 1 please also take a look so you feel confident you know how to access the home learning work. If we are all prepared it will help us in the event of any closure!

### Adventure play area

The children are not allowed to play on the play area on the playground before or after school. They all know the rule! Please ask them to come away if they go on it at these times. As you can imagine it needs to be sanitised before and after each use and there is a strict timetable on who uses it during the week.

### Childhood Seasonal Vaccination Programme

Children from Year R to Year 6 will be offered the nasal flu vaccination here in school on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020 by the Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust Community Immunisation Service. This is an opportunity to protect your child against seasonal flu (influenza) this winter. More information will be given out soon and you will be asked **to complete a consent form online if you wish your child to be vaccinated. Only children who have consent will be given the immunisation. Parents and carers must ensure that they have given this consent with the Immunisation Service. As a school we can't give consent for individual children.**



## Illness

This flow chart may help if you are wondering whether you should send your child to school.

