



*"Nurturing Hearts  
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# Belthorn Academy Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Helen Rowan

## Friday Newsletter

Week Ending: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020

### Welcome to this week's newsletter...

We hope you had a lovely half term and have come back refreshed and raring to go.

On Tuesday this week, we had all the children excited about Geography. Each class teacher had a team of 6 children from different year groups, and Mrs Sutcliff posed the questions whilst the rest of the school cheered their favourite team on. Mr Carr and his team were the winners of the quiz, but Miss Dugdale won the teacher challenge by guessing the population of Beijing. The children's geographical knowledge has certainly come on since the beginning of the academic year.

On Thursday we had our first snowy morning. A huge thanks to the members of staff and parent helpers who operated the walking bus and ensured our children got to school safely.

Today we had a 'Deep Dive' into science. An advisory teacher spent the morning with us and Mr Griffiths, as well as several children, were put to the test. All the classes were observed and the findings were that excellent teaching was happening in all classes which inspired and motivated the children to want to investigate answers to questions and talk enthusiastically about their learning. Well done everyone.

Also today, Year 2 Parents came in to find out how we teach calculations to children – Miss Trafford loved the extra help and hopefully parents found it interesting and informative.



A reminder that next week is Parent's Evening. You should have received a letter about this. Please complete and return the reply slip and then early next week we will send home confirmation times.

At Parent's Evening, there will be some letters available regarding potential traffic issues. I am writing to Blackburn Council and Hyndburn Council to voice my concerns about cars

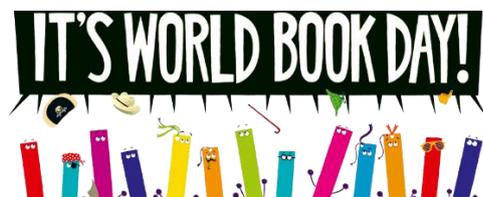
## Attendance Award

cutting through the village in the morning and the potential hazards this causes to our children who are walking up to school. I am aware that road works will be starting to widen the road near the hospital and am concerned that this will further increase the amount of cars cutting through the village to avoid queuing on the Grane Road. I would be most grateful if as many parents as possible could also sign the letter and put their home addresses on it. Blank letters for this purpose will be available on the night.

I will be available to speak to on Parent's Evening until 5.30pm, and then I am attending a Finance Governors meeting.

Dodgeball will start on Thursday evening – this is for children who have signed up for it and will take place in the hall. Because of Parent's Evening, I am asking that all parent's keep children with them whilst they are waiting to speak to class teachers so that they do not disturb the dodgeball session.

After School Club will take place in Year 6 until the Dodgeball session finishes.



And finally.....

Next week we will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Children are asked to come dressed up for this. Little Bells and Reception are to come in their PJ's with their favourite bedtime story, Years 1 and 2 as a Disney character or as a character from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (Year 1) or as a character from The Enchanted Wood (Year 2). Years 3 and 4 are asked to come as an Egyptian character (or 1920's England) and Years 5 and 6 as a character from their class novel – Year 5 – Street Child and Year 6 any Dicken's character, both set in the Victorian era.

Thank you,

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Rowan

## THIS WEEK'S MENU

### Monday:

Chicken Burger in a bun  
Southern style Quorn Burger  
in a bun.  
Pasta in Tomato Sauce  
Jacket Wedges  
Mixed Vegetables  
Jacket Potato with cheese,  
baked beans or tuna  
Peaches and Custard

### Tuesday:

Meat and Potato Pie with  
gravy  
Broccoli, Potato and Chees  
Bake  
Pasta in Tomato Sauce  
New potatoes, peas,  
swede  
Jacket Potato with Beans,  
Cheese or Tuna  
Chocolate cake and  
custard

### Wednesday:

Roast Gammon  
Quorn Chicken fillets  
Macaroni Cheese  
Pasta in Tomato Sauce  
Roast Potatoes  
Baton Carrots, Broccoli  
Jacket Potato with Beans,  
Cheese or Tuna.  
Mini Jam Donut

### Thursday:

BBQ Chicken with Rice  
Quorn Chicken Curry  
and Rice  
Pasta in Tomato Sauce  
Sweetcorn, Peas  
Jacket Potato with  
Beans, Cheese or Tuna  
Syrup Sponge and  
custard

### Friday:

Battered Fish  
Vegetarian Ravioli  
Pasta in Tomato Sauce  
Beans, Mushy Peas,  
Chips  
Jacket Potato with  
Beans, Cheese or Tuna  
Chips  
Homemade Rice Pudding



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Mr Tumble Trolley, Fresh Fruit and yoghurt are available everyday

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