



"Lighting The Sparks"

Belthorn Academy Primary School

Headteacher: Miss Melanie Egan

Friday Newsletter

Week Ending: 3rd September 2021

Welcome to this week's newsletter...

Welcome back everyone! I have absolutely loved being at the front of school each morning and afternoon to see everyone looking refreshed and ready to learn.

From popping into classes and teacher feedback, it's clear that our children are keen to get started in their new classes. Even better with the lifting of some restrictions, school life is feeling that little bit more like normal!



A huge welcome to all our new families that have joined us in Reception. I may be biased, but you definitely made the right choice. 😊 This year myself and Mrs Drugan have had the pleasure of visiting our reception children over the summer – and what a great experience that was. Thank you for allowing us to visit. Mrs Drugan and Miss Ashworth have remarked on how well the children have settled and are now coming into class independently with their coats and bags. Don't just take my word for it, this is what they had to say about what they were enjoying this week:

Penelope: "I've enjoyed meeting new friends and playing."

Ffion: "I have made new friends and playing with horses"

Teddy: "Having my birthday and having party games."

Ruben: "Doing Lessons"



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We would also like to welcome our newest recruits in Little Bells, and may I add they look incredibly dapper in their yellow t-shirts. We also have some new staff members joining us as well as a familiar face. Welcome to both Mrs Moran and Miss Brindle, who are our new teaching assistants in year 5 and year 2 respectively. Also, we are delighted to have Miss Dugdale back in school from her maternity leave.



We are holding our annual Meet the Teachers Meetings. The fantastic news is these can now take place in person – no more worries about screens freezing and muting issues. Our teachers are excited to meet you all and have an afternoon slot of 3:30pm and 5:30pm so hopefully most of you can attend. We need to be mindful that Covid-19 is still with us and encourage social distancing, handwashing and as per the government guidelines the option to wear a face covering when inside and meeting in a group. Please enter school via the door that your child normally arrives at each morning.

These times are as follows:

Week commencing 06/09/21	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3:30pm		Y4 Y2	Y3	Y6	Reception
5:30pm	Y1 Y6		Y4	Reception Y2	

Week commencing 13/09/21	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3:30pm	Y5			Y1	
5:30pm		Y5	Y3		

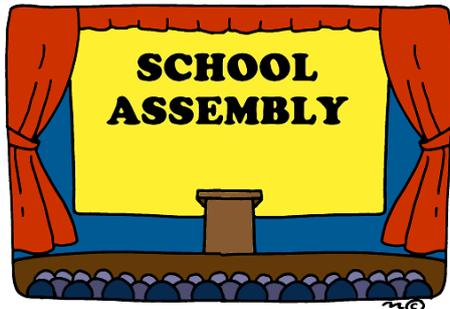


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In other news, we were all delighted that the children could participate in a whole school indoor assembly for the first time in such a long time. Seeing the hall full of children was wonderful. So the children can settle properly, taking



into consideration that some of our little ones have never sat in the hall for assemblies, our whole school assemblies will be just for the children for the next two weeks. However, we are hoping to welcome back some of our parents from Friday 24th September – just in time for our Macmillan Coffee Morning. More information about this to follow.

Year 3 will be taking part in their first swim session – this will be a dry week taking place in school so there is no need for swimwear, flippers or goggles. The following week, 16th September, the children will begin their normal swimming sessions for the term. There will be more information at the Meet the Teacher Meeting.



A quick reminder from the office, that if your child has an appointment it is really important that you make the office aware of this. Please do not use the class teacher to pass on appointment information. You can email office@belthornacademy.co.uk or call Mrs Brown on 01254 55620.



And finally...

From standing outside this week, it has been lovely to see that the staggered starts and finishes are having a positive impact on traffic congestion in the village. Although it is much better, I must ask that we are still mindful of where our parents are parking and that we are arriving at our scheduled times and not holding a car parking space outside a resident's household for longer than needed.

Have a wonderful weekend,



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NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Monday:

Battered min chicken fillets
Quorn Dippers
Pasta in Tomato Sauce
Curly Fries, Baby corn
cobs, Spaghetti Hoops
Jacket Potato with Beans,
Cheese or Tuna
Apple Crumble and Custard

Tuesday:

Pork Meatballs in Gravy
Quorn Frankfurt
Sausages in Gravy
Pasta in Tomato Sauce
Crispy cubes
Swede, peas
Jacket Potato with Beans,
Cheese or Tuna
Sponge and ice cream

Wednesday:

Roast Turkey, Pigs in
Blankets
Quorn Chicken Fillet
Cheese Lattice Finger
Pasta in Tomato Sauce
Roast Potatoes
Baton Carrots, broccoli
Jacket Potato with Beans,
Cheese or Tuna.
Donuts

Thursday:

BBQ Chicken and Rice
Quorn pieces in gravy
Pasta in tomato
Sauce
New Potatoes,
Sweetcorn, Peas
Jacket Potato with
Beans, Cheese or
Tuna
Jam sponge and
custard

Friday:

Fish Cakes
Veggie Burger
Pasta in Tomato Sauce
Beans, Mushy Peas,
chips.
Jacket Potato with
Beans, Cheese or Tuna
Choc Ice