



Belton Update 13th September 2019

It is Friday again and we have had great week! The school council had their first meeting, house captains have been chosen, as well as vice house captains, digital leaders and road safety officers. Thank you to the parents who are also running clubs after school. Next week gardening club starts on Tuesday lunch time – if you have any old gardening tools please bring them in, I am sure Mrs Anderson and her club could make good use of them.

Sports events

I have listened to the feedback given at my meetings with parents regarding 'sports teams' communication'.

Miss Ebbs is trying to put together a plan to help us give you all more notice when your children are involved in sports events. Organisation of sporting events is a complicated feat!

Unfortunately, due to the cost of transport I am unable to always provide coaches to after school events and will require parents/ guardians/responsible adult to take their children to events after school. It will be clearly stated on sports letters if you need to organise transport to events. I have asked teaching staff to commit to attending 1 or 2 after school sports events to act as a school representative, however I would be grateful if parents would let me know if they are able to act as the 'flag holder for Belton' for those we cannot cover.

Pen Licences

After looking through children's books, discussions with parents and feedback from staff, I have replaced pen licences with a weekly handwriting award. Children in year 5 and 6 will write with a pencil, gaining a special pencil once reaching a super standard.

With new presentation guidelines I am aiming to improve the quality of our children's presentation in books. I have had a discussion with the children in years 5 and 6 to the reasons why I have put these changes into place.

Friday Stars of the week assembly

Our celebration assembly will now include certificates for:

Tigers - 2 Stars of the week (for the all rounder of the week)

Owls

- 1 Star of the week
- 1 Maths champion
- 1 Mindset champion - linked to a learning power

Lions and Sea Otters

- 1 Star of the week
- 1 Maths champion
- 1 Mindset champion
- 1 Handwriting champion



Volunteer Readers

Thank you to all those who have filled in the form to be a volunteer reader. I will be contacting you next week to let you know the next steps.

Classroom Helpers

We are looking for volunteer classroom helpers to help with general classroom tasks, particularly in Tigers. If you feel you can help in any way please contact the school office and we can take your details.

Health and Safety

The children are not allowed on the play equipment before or after school – many thanks for your understanding.

Next Tuesday at lunchtime there will be a Ukulele taster session for children in year 1- 6 who may want to take up learning the guitar.

Dates:

23rd September Owls trip to Hough Mill

25th September Owls trip to Pizza Express

25th September Stay and Play in Foundation

27th September Coffee Morning MacMillan

28th September (Prestwold Hall) Cross Country

4th October Harvest Festival in Church – Harvests around the World

Future dates – Parents evenings 8th and 10th October

10th October Young Minds Mental Health Day #wearyellow

Roald Dahl Day

What a fabulous day we have had! Tigers making Wonka bars, Owls creating potions, Sea Otters creating characters from the Twits and Lions have started their Ukulele tuition! Thank you to all of the adults in school who have made it so special and thank you to all the parents and guardians who made it into school to see us all in action! Please see WEDUC for all the photos!

Have a wonderful weekend

Miss Scott

