

As the term draws to a close and the year comes to end, there has been much to celebrate at Belmont. Our successful Ofsted, the many, many achievements of the children both in and out of school, the many successful trips, visits and residential; the enthusiasm of the children and their fantastic attitude to learning; the opening of the library bus; the sporting achievements, the list really does go on!

Over the last few weeks we have hosted our traditional end of term/festive events and it has been a pleasure to welcome you all into school. The children have thoroughly enjoyed taking part and did so with confidence and keenness. I'm sure you will agree, they all did a fantastic job.

Like most, Belmont staff have not escaped the seasonal germs and viruses and we very much look forward to welcoming back staff who have particularly suffered this term with ill health. I'm sure a few weeks away from school will allow us all to recharge and refresh ready for a new year and a new term.

On behalf of the staff, we wish all of our families a restful break and a Happy New Year and for those celebrating Christmas, a joyful and happy festive period.

## Pupil Special Achievements & Awards:

**Leadteacher postcard:** Wiltshire Class, Noah (Y2), Erin, Reuben (Y6); Ozzy, Tobi, Eva, Freddie, Joshua (Y3)

**Teacher postcard:** Millie C (Y2) Keeyan, Avani, Sonya, Charlotte, Rowan (Y6) Ronnie, Elise (Y3) Mina (Y4) Ben, Olivia, Max, Lillie-Rose (Y5)

**Football:** Harley (Y4) resilience

**Swimming:** Maisie (Y4) 1<sup>st</sup> place; Jacob (Y1) 10m badge; Ben S (Y3) stage 6, Dominic (Y5) stage 5; Ben (Y5) stage 7

**Pen Licence:** Zara, Daisy (Y5)

**Top Ten Texts:** Thea, Freddie, Oliver, Vivienne (Y3) Damian, Tayyibah (Y4)

**Piano:** Sriyaan (Y3) passing his stage 1

**Karate:** Rehaan (Y3), Akain (Y2) yellow belt

**Gymnastics:** Emilia (Y1)

**Irish Dancing:** Lily (Y1)

**TTRS Star:** Sam, Avni Olivia (Y4) **Legend:** Tayyibah, Scarlett, Jacob, Skyla (Y4)

**Half term achievers:**

**N:** Lilly, Georgia, Sayed, Alba, Julia; **R:** Saramay, Ivy, Aubrie, Fred, Emilia, Pearl, Freddie, Eliza, Lyla; **Y1:** Esther, Isabelle, Liam, Kaleisha, Mason, Arthur, Olivia, Zack, Alex, Archie; **Y2:** Adam, Daisy, George, Kody, Millie C, Albert, Bjorn, Isabella, Georgie, Tavish **Y3:** Daisy, Jenson, Ozzy, Thea, Rehaan, Daisy, finley, Elise, Harrison, Teddy; **Y4:** Jenson, Jasmine, Olive-Rose, Damian, Elsie-May, Antonio, Lenny, Seren, Maisie, Poppy; **Y5:** Jaida, Harry L, Zara, Dominic, Ben, Sonny, Harry W, Roop, Elizabeth, Yuvraj; **Y6:** James, Jamie, Keerit, Rex, Sonya, Abraham, Shaylan, Daisy-Rae, Lacey, Amelia

## Pupil Voice:

It has been a jammed packed and busy autumn term! Here are some of the pupils' highlights:

Melissa (Y5) "I liked learning about the Benin Kingdom and really liked our class text as it was an interesting read".

Aubrie (R) "I have enjoyed writing CVC words".

Ben (Y3) "I really enjoyed History and English.

Noah (Y3) "I've liked learning about the Stone Age and reading Stone Age Boy."

Willow (Y2) "I loved learning about the Great Fire of London"

Daman (Y2) "I loved going on the London Eye"

## Notices:

### PTA:

The PTA raised £2917.40 at their recent Christmas fete and Elfridge's gift sale. A huge thank you to all who supported and to the PTA for their commitment to Belmont.

### Poppy Appeal:

Well done to Belmont who raised £324.39 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

## Diary Dates:

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – INSET day – pupils are not required to attend

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January – first day of spring term for all pupils



## Community Links & News:

If you are looking for something for your child to do over the upcoming half term break, please be reminded that Concept4Football are offering two fun filled days of sports and activities for children aged 4 to 13 (Reception to Year 8).

The club is running at Old Bexley Primary School situated on Hurst Road, Bexley.

More information can be found:

[www.concept4football.co.uk](http://www.concept4football.co.uk)

## Attendance and Punctuality:

School attendance is mandatory for all pupils. We continue to have high attendance aspirations for all pupils and have set our whole school attendance target at 96%.

Our attendance for the week of 4<sup>th</sup> December was 95.7% which is above national and just below our target. Warhol class had the best attendance with 96.8% - well done to the pupils in Warhol class.

Last week our attendance was 95% again, above national but just below our target. Hokusai and Warhol classes had the best attendance with 99.7%. Well done to pupils in Hokusai and Warhol Classes.

Parents are reminded, term time holidays are not authorised and will result in a fine.

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