Friday 29th September

This half term seems to be flying by and with only 3 weeks remaining until the half term break so much has been happening with much more to still come.

Our long awaited library bus is almost ready for use. Whilst it has been a long time in the making, we have been fortunate to have had financial support from the Trust and the skill and expertise of our now retired Premises Manager Mr Jones, bringing our vision to life. The bus will act as a library on the lower deck and a teaching and learning space on the upper deck. The final stages of moving and sorting the books is underway and we will then be launching a competition to name the bus before organising a grand opening.

In other news, we are reaching out to our families to find out if we have any keen gardeners who would be able to give up some time each fortnight or month to support with the general maintenance and upkeep of our allotment area. Over the summer, the space has become somewhat overgrown with brambles and weeds. For the children to be able to use the space we need some support keeping on top of the general maintenance. If you are able to help, please contact Mrs Duff via the school office.

# Pupil Special Achievements & Awards:

lead teacher postcard: Jake (Y6) Logan (Y2) Teacher Postcard: Frasier (Y1) Ollie, Roman, Daisy, Alice, Billy (Y2) Emy, Thea, Ozzy, Vivienne, Aaron, Reehan, Freddie, Jenson (Y3) Zac, Harrison, Tayyibah, Jenson, Fayzan, Lucia E, Lily, Gabe, Avni, (Y4) Roop, Harry, Billie, Leyland (Y5)

Pen Licence: Scarlett, Jacob, Zac, Summayyah, Lucia E, Tayyibah, James, Isabella, Sienna (Y4) Saajun, Max, Amelia, Tommy (Y5)

Irish Dancing Competition: Lily (Y1) Swimming: Harry B (Y1) Millie C (Y2) Sienna, Isabella(Y4) Noah (Y3) Football: Albie (Y2)

Karate: Ben, Noah (Y3), Freddie, Akain (Y2) **Champion Race:** Paige (Y2)

**Mile Run:** Jasper (Y2) Colour Run: Isabelle (Y2)

**Summer Reading Challenge:** Tavish, Logan (Y2) Noah (Y3)

Bexley Y4 Tri Golf Festival: Zac, Skye, Harrison, Lucia E, Fin, Seren, Jenson, Lily

**School Representatives for 2023-24:** House Captains:

Blackman: Shaylan, Zephaniah: Martha, Dahl: Rhys,

Rosen: Scarlett

Music: Oscar, Maths; Hardaya, Sports: Daisy-Rae

Belmont Parliament:

Parker, Vivienne, Olivia, Tayyibah, Raj, Max, Milan,



# **Diary Dates:**

Friday 6th October - PTA Wildest Hair Day (see flyer)

Wednesday 11th October – open afternoon for Reception 2024 intake. (Please book a place via the office)

Thursday 12th October - PTA discos (see flyer)





## Community Links & News:

The 2023 Bexley Community Safety Survey went live on Monday II September. Bexley are seeking responses from all those who live, work, visit or study in Bexley about their feelings of safety.

The survey is a chance to highlight local crime and disorder issues which concerns people the most - and alongside other data, help the Bexley Community Safety Partnership set its priorities for 2024/25.

The survey is open until Friday 27 October. Please use the link below to access the survey and have your say: www.bexley.gov.uk/communitysafetysurvey

# **Attendance and Punctuality:**

School attendance is mandatory for all pupils.



This year we continue to have high attendance aspirations for all pupils and have set our whole school attendance target at 96%.

Our attendance last week was 98% which is above national and above our target. Our attendance for this week was 96.5% which is above our target and national - well done Belmont!

Last week, the highest attendance was in Matisse Class with 100% attendance. Well done to the pupils in Matisse Class. This week the highest attendance goes Picasso class who had attendance of 99.7%. Well done to all of the pupils in Picasso Class.

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

### **Notices:**

### **Jeans for Genes:**

Belmont raised £349.11 for Jeans for Genes - well done to all who took part.

#### PTA:

Our PTA are hugely committed to not only providing a range of experiences to the children but also in raising vital funds for the school. Their events are very dependent upon helpers and volunteers and without the contribution of others, the PTA is not sustainable. If you are able to support the PTA by volunteering please do contact Nicola/Rin by emailing: BelmontPTA@hotmail.com