

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have been using the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar in their maths lessons this week to learn about the numbers to 5 and think about 1 more and 1 less. We have been busy learning lots of facts about bears and have written some fantastic facts, ask your child if they can tell you anything about bears! Today we worked very hard to do some paintings of bears using forks to create the fur effect.

Year 1 have started learning about the traditional story 'Little Red Riding Hood' in English. The children have sequenced the story and then used this story map for re-telling it. They will also be writing the story this week. In maths we have learnt how to subtract numbers on a number line. In PSHE the children discussed how they are different compared to their learning partner. During science we went for a sensory walk and recorded things we can hear, smell, see, touch and taste outside.

Year 2 and 3 have been loving learning about volcanoes in geography so when we saw the news about a recent volcanic eruption in Iceland we knew we had to research what happened. BBC Beechwood will be reporting on this current event and we will be writing newspaper articles later this week.

Year 4 have been working really hard this week. We have been inputting our setting descriptions into an AI image generator to see whether the picture matched our description. We have been looking at our 9 times table and beginning to see how the 3 and 6 timetables link to them. We have been looking at how our assumptions and stereotyping can lead us to wrong judgements about things. In geography we have continued to look at 4 figure grid references before we challenge ourselves with a 6 figured one.

Year 5 have had a fantastic time at swimming this week, learning how to rescue others from the water while keeping themselves safe and while wearing clothes. In maths they have been continuing to improve their knowledge of fractions. In English, they have started a new adventure writing topic, with a focus on setting descriptions to begin.

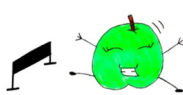
Year 6 have completed writing their biographies independently and have started their new unit of narrative writing linked to WW2. In maths we have been learning how to multiply and divide fractions. In history we have explored the experience of evacuees during WW2 and have written a diary entry in role. We are enjoying working collaboratively in computing, researching and designing presentations about The Battle of Britain.

House Points

**Outstanding
Oranges**
146



**Amazing
Apples**
129



**Super
Strawberries**
145



**Brilliant
Bananas**
133



Congratulations to Outstanding Oranges for collecting the most house points last week winning by just one point!

Dates for your diary:

Friday 29th November

Tuesday 3rd December

Wednesday 4th December

Tuesday 10th December

Wednesday 11th December

Thursday 12th December

Friday 13th December

Monday 16th December

Tuesday 17th December

Wednesday 18th December

Thursday 19th December

Friday 20th December

Monday 6th January

Tuesday 7th January

Wednesday 22nd January

- Non-uniform day for tombola contributions **NEW**
 - Year 6 Height & Weight Measuring
 - PTA Xmas Fayre - 3.15-4.30pm **NEW**
 - Open Morning for prospective parents (booking required)
 - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
 - Year 6 Exhibition—2.00-3.00pm **NEW**
 - Year 5 Trip
 - FS Nativity Performance **More details to follow**
 - FS, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Christmas Church Service
 - Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Church Service
 - Year 2/3 Nativity Performance 2-3pm **More details to follow**
 - Year 2/3 Nativity Performance 6-7pm **More details to follow**
- End of Term—1.15pm**
- Inset Day**
- Start of Term**
- Year 1 Trip
 - Woodpeckers Class Assembly