



The Beechwood Bulletin

Issue 1 – Autumn Term 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

Hello everyone and welcome back. I hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer holiday.

The children have moved classes and stepped up another age group. Many of them will have a new teacher. We welcome several new staff members, so let me introduce them to you.

New Teachers

Mrs Rupal Patel
Acting Deputy Head



Miss Claire Rolfe
Foundation Manager



Miss Emma Norman
Foundation Teacher



Mr Sam Gunbie
Year 5/6 Teacher



Mrs Sophie Howell
Year 1/2 Teacher



New Pupils & Families

We also welcome all of our new pupils spread across the whole school, especially to our 60 new Foundation children who come to school for the first time. We hope you all enjoy your time at Beechwood!



Expansion News

We are very pleased to announce that Wokingham Borough Council have agreed to invest in the facilities for our expansion to 420 pupils. There are to be four new classrooms, library, staffroom, resources room,

meeting rooms as well as a new revamped Foundation department. It is hoped that the work will commence in January 2017 and be completed by spring 2018.

Clubs

Clubs start this week on Monday 19 September, with the usual choice of sports and creative offerings for your children to choose from.

Flags

You may have noticed that we have some new flags out on the playing field, sporting the flags of Australia, Argentina, New Zealand and South Africa.



Star Pupil

We are changing the way in which we celebrate the week's star pupils. Instead of a group photo being taken each week a certificate is to be issued in assembly every Monday.

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Reminders...

Uniform - this must be worn smartly with no trainers and the girls should have their hair tied back. Please refer to the website for full details.

PE Kit – please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit in school every day for PE lessons, clubs and matches. No-one should be going home in shorts during the winter months.

Kit should include: tracksuit (top and bottom), long sleeved PE top, long socks and shin pads.

Moulded studded boots which are supple and soft – for football, hockey and rugby – *please do not buy expensive boots – your child's feet are growing!*

School Gates are open from 8.35am and close by 8.45am. Lateness will not be tolerated.

Mobile phones are not permitted in school and will be confiscated if they are found being used.

Lost property – A plea to all – please encourage your child to pick up their clothing and any other items, whether they are out on the field, within our school hall or in the classroom. Please ensure your child's clothing is labelled and that they have their own clothing and have not accidentally picked up another child's.

I welcome your backing and support on this.

That's all for now, I hope everyone is settling down really well in the new school year.

Gordon Davies
Head Teacher

Dates for your diary – Autumn term 2016

Monday 19 th – 23 rd September	House Handwriting Competition
Monday 26 th – 28 th September	Year 4 Residential Visit to Condover Hall
Thursday 29 th September	Invitational Games 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Friday 30 th September	Class 5/6T Assembly 11.30am
Monday 3 rd October	Harvest Festival at St James C of E 1.45PM
Thursday 6 th October	Open Day 9.30am
Friday 7 th October	Roald Dahl Day
Friday 14 th October	Governors Day Class 3/4S Assembly 11.30am
Tuesday 18 th October	Open Day 9.30am
Thursday 20 th October	Cross Country at Reading Bluecoats, Sonning
Friday 21 st October	House Reading Aloud Competition KS1 – 1.15pm and KS2 – 2.15pm
Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Tuesday 1 st November	Open Day 9.30am
Friday 4 th November	Class 1/2D Assembly 11.30am House Mental Maths Competition KS1 – 1.15pm and KS2 – 2.15pm
Friday 11 th November	Remembrance Service at Woodford Park War Memorial Year 5/6 Six Nations Rugby at Churchend
Tuesday 15 th November	Open Day 9.30am
Thursday 17 th November	Cross Country at Black Park, Slough
Friday 18 th November	Class 5/6D Assembly 11.30am Year 5/6 Six Nations Rugby at Rivermead
Monday 21 st November	Parent/Child Consultation Evening 3.30pm - 6.00pm
Wednesday 23 rd November	Parent/Child Consultation Evening 6.00pm – 8.30pm
Friday 25 th November	Year 5/6 Six Nations Tag Rugby at Winnersh
Thursday 1 st December	Open Day 9.30am
Friday 2 nd December	Class 3/4LR Assembly 11.30am Year 5/6 Six Nations Tag Rugby at Beechwood 2.00pm – 4.00pm
Friday 9 th December	Dress Rehearsal of KS1 Nativity 2.00pm
Monday 12 th December	Xmas Carol Service at St Johns C of E 1.45pm

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Tuesday 13 th December	Matinee Performance of KS1 Nativity - 2.00pm
Wednesday 14 th December	Evening Performance of KS1 Nativity - 7.00pm
Thursday 15 th December	House Badminton Competition 9.00am School Christmas dinner 11.30am – 2.30pm
Friday 16 th December	Foundation Singing Performance 9.00am Christmas Carols in the precinct 11.00am House Football Competition 1.30pm
Monday 19 th December	House Netball Competition 9.30pm
Tuesday 20 th December	End of Term 1.30pm