

Beechwood Bulletin

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NOTICEBOARD



Food Bank A reminder that we are collecting donations all week for the Woodley Food Bank. A collection box will be at the school gates tomorrow and Friday.

Year 1 and 2 PE: Please can you ensure children wear shoes/trainers and socks that they can taken off and put on independently as both year groups are doing gymnastics on Thursdays.

My child is unwell - Is it Covid?

It can be confusing and the best way to know is to get a PCR test.

The main symptoms are:

- Feverish
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to sense of smell or taste

Other symptoms might be:

- Headache
- Upset tummy
- Sore throat
- Unusually tired

If in doubt please keep your child off school and arrange a test. You can get a PCR test to confirm if it is Covid via:

www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

There are local test sites you can choose from, or if easier, you can get a test sent to you by post. Please note, a Lateral Flow Test should **not** be used to confirm Covid in a child with symptoms.

Reading Top Tips



Encourage children to talk to their teachers for advice if they are struggling for reading book ideas.

Positive Feedback.....

Dear Parent and Guardians,

This week we had a visit from the Frays Director of Teaching and Learning, who spent 2 days observing lessons, speaking to staff and children and looking at books. We are pleased to say that the visit went really well and we received positive feedback about the learning that children are receiving.

It is with sadness that we are saying goodbye to our SENDCo; Mrs Jones this term. Mrs Jones is leaving Beechwood to pursue a full time role within Special Needs for Bracknell Forest and building upon her SENDCo experience. We wish her all the very best. We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Chick as our new SENDCo, who has many years experience in this field. There will be an extensive handover prior to Mrs Jones departure.

On the 8th October pupils, may if they wish, wear yellow to school for a £1 donation. On this day the school will be raising money for the Young Minds UK charity, who offer support with children's mental health; 'Whether you want to understand more about how you're feeling and find ways to feel better, or you want to support someone who's struggling, we can help'. More information can be found on their website: www.youngminds.org.uk.

Kind regards,

Miss S E Hunter,
Headteacher



Attendance

Our minimum attendance target is 96.5%. Please help us to ensure your child receives the best education by attending school regularly and being on time.

Our whole school attendance for the week commencing 20th September was below are target at 95.8%

We continue to follow guidance from WBC, children not in school due to isolation/quarantine in relation to Covid-19 are not reflected in our weekly figures.



Star Pupils:

Robins - Rajveer

Wrens - Hatab

Hedgehogs - Phoenix

Rabbits - Louisa

Badgers - Hajra

Foxes - Bear

Woodpeckers - Lily

Owls - Imogen

Hawks— Kimberly

Kites - Lola

Falcons – Ollie

Eagles – Luke

**Well done to all
of our Stars!**

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Butterflies have begun learning about their new topic "Autumn". They have enjoyed mark making and exploring patterns, talked about various textures of materials while collaging pictures and role played in their very own market stall. During math's sessions they have explored matching items and during literacy they have listened to and acted out the story of "The Enormous Turnip".

Year 1 have been thinking about houses from fairy tales in English. The children have enjoyed thinking about which characters live in different houses and coming up with some great adjectives to describe them. In Maths they have been comparing numbers using 'greater than, less than and equal to' as well as using the symbols to match. Super work this week Year 1!

Year 2 have been writing sentences to go with the story map they produced last week about Toby and the Great Fire of London. Children are beginning to use adjectives in their sentences to make them more interesting. In math's the children are consolidating their understanding and knowledge of the 2, 5's and 10's times tables. In Science they are developing their skills on recognising why certain materials are used for certain objects. They are thoroughly enjoying music as we are using Glockenspiel's to sound out a rhythm.

Year 3 have been continuing their learning about Stonehenge this week, creating a timeline of its creation! In English children have been developing their stories and creating upper sentences to entice the reader. Maths has been spent looking at adding and subtracting 1s, in preparation for adding and subtracting 10s and 100s later on! Another fabulous week Year 3, well done.

Year 4 have been starting to write their Journey stories, where they have been using powerful verbs and adverbial openers to great effect. In Maths, they have been comparing four-digit numbers and improving their understanding of Roman Numerals. On the theme of Romans, they have also been learning about the long, straight roads they built across Britain in their History Lesson this week.

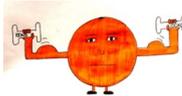
Year 5 have created their own Pokémon to write about in a Non-Chronological Report for English. In Maths, they have finished their learning on Place Value and are moving on to Addition and Subtraction.

Year 6 have been continuing their chapter work on Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. The children will finish them this week and can't wait to read all of them! In Maths the children have moved onto working with multiplication and solving problems. They also had fun in Science classifying animals on a classification key!

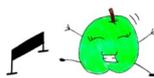
House point totals

So not to spoil the surprise for the children the House Point totals will be announced to parents in the following Bulletin after the weekly Assemblies have taken place, starting from next week. Therefore there are no totals in the Bulletin this week.

Outstanding
Oranges



Amazing
Apples



Super
Strawberries



Brilliant
Bananas



Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 6th October

Thursday 7th October

Friday 8th October

Tuesday 12th October

Thursday 14th October

Wednesday 20th October

Thursday 21st October

Friday 22nd October

Monday 25th to Friday 29th October

Monday 1st November

Wednesday 10th November

Thursday 11th November

Road Safety Show Assemblies **NEW** Yr6 Height & Weight, Yr6 SATs Evening

Census Day menu change, Yrs 3 & 4 Tag Rugby Festival Reading Rugby Club

PTA Bingo Night

Book Fayre arrives, Yrs 1&2 tag Rugby Festival Reading Rugby Club

Year 5 and 6 Netball overview - Bulmershe

Open Morning @9.30 (Foundation Stage 2022) **NEW**

Year 5 Space Dome Visit (more info to follow) **NEW**

Wear it Pink Day, Yr 6 trip to Cadbury's World (letter to follow), PTA Disco

Half Term

INSET DAY

School Photographer - Individual/Sibling Photographs

Open Morning @9.30 (Foundation Stage 2022) **NEW**

BEECHWOOD PTA INVITES YOU TO OUR



HALLOWEEN DISCO

FRIDAY 22ND OCTOBER

KS1 6:30 - 7:30 pm

KS2 7:45 - 8:45 pm

TICKETS £2

Tickets can be purchased from the school gate on
5th/12th/19th October

FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL - NO MASKS OR FULL FACE PAINT PLEASE

Only Foundation parents are permitted to stay in the hall for the
KS1 disco however all parents are welcome to join us at the adult
bar in the staffroom





Picture News

at Home

27th September 2021

What's going on this week?



It is estimated that people in Britain are sending over 1.6 billion non-biodegradable face masks to landfill every single month, according to research conducted by shopping comparison site, finder.com. To reduce this, a new scheme has been introduced in Brighton and Hove to recycle face masks and other personal protective equipment (PPE). Special bins have been installed to reduce the amount of PPE litter, which is used to make more bins and other plastic items.

Things to talk about at home...

- 🍏 Which face masks have you seen people using?
- 🍏 Would you know where to recycle disposable face masks? Is there anywhere in your local area?
- 🍏 Overall, do you think cloth masks or disposable (if recycled) masks are better to use?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...



Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others on our discussion board: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss