

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Butterflies have been learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly, frog and human and looking at comparisons and differences. They have role-played being both a butterfly and a caterpillar. During Math's sessions they have been matching pictorial representations of numerals up to 20. During literacy they have recapped the story of "Jack and the Beanstalk" and asked the Giant questions to find out his side of the story. Was he really all bad?

Year 1 have started their new topic 'Around the World in 80 days', they have really enjoyed exploring France and learning lots of new things. Today they said goodbye to France and wrote a postcard about their travels, they can't wait to explore more countries. In Maths, they have started multiplication and division by looking at equal groups and using their skills of counting in 2's, 5's and 10's to add equal groups together.

Year 2 have started their exciting new topic about castles, discovering who lived in them, what they were used for and what they were like. We also used role play to interview each other for various jobs which were available in a castle such as gardener, cook or messenger. As part of our Maths, we have had fun learning how to use rekenrek to improve fluency.

Year 3 have begun their unit on Ancient Greece. They have already entered a world of hydras and minotaurs and have buckled on powerful swords and magical shields in English and Topic. In Maths they have progressed to equivalent fractions. In Science they will decide where these mythical creatures can fit in the animal kingdom.

Year 4 have been enjoying our 'Superhero Suspense' unit in English, while in Maths we have been making great progress with decimal numbers. In PE, we have started Athletics outside in which we did relay races on the newly painted track. We are also excited to start our new Science unit on the digestive system!

Year 5 have started exploring adventure stories, with a focus on the movie *Honey I Shrank the Kids*, which will tie in nicely with our topic 'Eureka,' focusing on inventions. In Maths, Year 5s have been doing a fantastic job working with decimals.

Year 6 have spent a lot of time revising for their SATs next week. We have been looking at test style questions and how to manage exam stresses in PSHE. Just a reminder, we have advised the children to have a relaxing weekend and pause all revision to give themselves a rest, allowing them to perform to their best abilities next week.

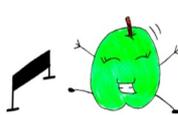
House Points

Well done to the Amazing Apples for collecting the most tokens last week!

Outstanding Oranges
70



Amazing Apples
100



Super Strawberries
84



Brilliant Bananas
79



Dates for your diary:

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| Monday 9th May | - Year 6 SAT's Week |
| Tuesday 10th May | - FS Vision Screening - pm |
| Wednesday 11th May | - Year 1 Nature Trip, School Nurses FS height and weights |
| Friday 13th May | - Wrens Class Assembly @2.30pm |
| Monday 16th –20th May | - Walk to School Week |
| Monday 16th—20th May | - Year 6 Bikeability NEW |
| Wednesday 18th May | - FS Bucklebury Farm Trip |
| Wednesday 18th May | - Falcons Class Assembly @2.30pm |
| Monday 23rd May | - Class/Year 6 School Photo |
| Wednesday 25th May | - Badgers Class Assembly @2.30pm |
| Friday 27th May | - Dress up day for Year 2—Castles & Catapults theme NEW |
| Friday 27th May | - PTA Jubilee Disco |
| Monday 30th May — Friday 3rd June | - Half Term |
| Monday 6th June | - Year 6 Residential/Activity Week |
| Wednesday 8th June | - Robins Class Assembly @ 2.30pm |
| Wednesday 6th July | - Year 2 Class Assembly @ 2.30pm |