

Beechwood Bulletin

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Harvest Festival

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to everyone who came into school at the beginning of the week to view the work the children have been carrying out about Queen Elizabeth II. A selection of the work will now be mounted onto a wall display by the hall to capture this monumental time in history.

We are delighted to announce our Head Boy, Finn Reid and our Head Girl, Libby McNeill, for this academic year. They have got off to a flying start alongside our prefects, house captains and class ambassadors. Well done – a huge congratulations to them all.

From Monday next week, as part of our Harvest festival activities, children are invited to bring in items for the food bank into school. Below is a list of donations currently required by the charity. In fact, they have advised that they are short of everything (except pasta and pasta sauces) so all donations would be gratefully received:

Breakfast cereal

Tinned or packet meals (no fridge items)

Biscuits, sweet and savoury hoops

Tinned vegetables, potatoes and tomatoes

Ready to mix custard packets

Longlife or Tinned pies (no fridge items)

Regular unisex toiletries

Sweet treats

Dried and microwave rice

Longlife milk and squashes

Baked beans, tinned spaghetti

Tinned fruits

Tinned desserts

Tea bags, coffee, sugar

Toothpastes

Please ensure all donations are unopened and in date. Many thanks.

Kind regards,

Miss S E Hunter, Headteacher



NOTICEBOARD

CENSUS DAY

Thursday 6th October is school census day. The data collected impacts the amount of funding the school receives so it is greatly appreciated if you are able to support the school by ensuring your child has a hot dinner on this day. This is particularly important for EYFS-Year2 & FSM children where the school receives funding for Universal Free school meals based on the number of children who take a hot dinner option on this day. The cost to children in Years 3-6 is still £2.30. The Meal options will be: Fish fingers & Chips, Cheese quiche & chips or Jacket Potato with beans. The meal options have been changed on parentpay and are available to pre-order now.

SNACKS

Reminder: Only fruit or vegetable based snacks are suitable for break. Crisps, biscuits, chocolate and sweets are not permitted.

BRIO

If anyone has any unwanted Brio they would be happy to donate to us please bring it into the school office. We are hoping to set up a Brio area at lunchtime.

Star Pupils w/c 19/09/22

Robins — Caleb

Wrens — Muhammed

Rabbits - Vladik

Hedgehogs— Nia

Badgers— Vanessa

Foxes— Bella

Woodpeckers — Nieve

Owls— Hanna

Kites - Freddie

Falcons— Vuk

Hawks— Hassan

Eagles—Max

Well done to all of our Stars!

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 19th September 2022 has slipped below target to 95.3%.

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have continued learning about "Marvellous me" . They have compared their baby photographs to themselves now and how they have changed over the years . They have enjoyed role playing the story of the " Three little pigs" and mapping out the story with actions. During maths sessions they have been learning about matching pairs. During phonics they have learnt the sounds o,c,k,u,b.

Year 1 have enjoyed the story of Hansel and Gretel. They had great fun role playing the story and then drew story maps to retell the story. In maths they have been comparing numbers and groups of objects. In science they have labelled the different parts of the human body.

Year 2 have been writing the story of Toby and the Great Fire of London. In maths they have been comparing numbers and recapping counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. In history the children have been thinking about past and present, comparing the differences between life in 1666 and the present day.

Year 3 have been writing their adventure stories this week in English, showing us their fabulous writing skills. In maths they have started looking at addition and subtraction. Finally, in science they have been looking at some fabulous fossils and how they are made.

Year 4 have ordering and comparing large numbers in maths, while in English they have started writing their own journey stories. In history, they imagined what it would be like to be a Roman Soldier based at Hadrian's Wall and wrote letters in character back to their Mothers in Rome! The children have also been enjoying dodgeball in PE.

Year 5 have been very busy this week, working in groups to innovate their own Eco-poetry. They have worked hard to include figurative language, repetition and alliteration to form powerful stanzas to inspire people to take care of the things they love on our planet. In maths, they have explored mental strategies of adding and subtracting large numbers. They found a good understanding of number bonds was very important to be successful. They have discovered how search engines work in computing and have tested how searching a clearly defined term compiles a better index of search results.

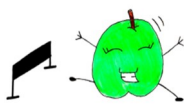
Year 6 have been continuing their mystery suspense story on 'Red Scarf'. They are now moving on to newspaper writing. In maths, they have been practising their addition and subtraction skills. In ICT they have been learning how to make and move 3D objects on a programme called Tinkercad. It's been really fun!

House Points

**Outstanding
Oranges**
162



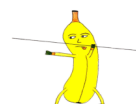
**Amazing
Apples**
117



**Super
Strawberries**
146



**Brilliant
Bananas**
185



Congratulations to Brilliant Bananas for collecting the most tokens last week.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 30th September

Monday 3rd October

Wednesday 5th October

Thursday 6th October

Tuesday 11th—Friday 14th October

Tuesday 18th October

Wednesday 19th October

Friday 21st October

Monday 24th to Friday 28th October

Monday 31st October

Monday 7th November

Wednesday 9th November

Wednesday 21st November

Thursday 22nd November

- MacMillan Coffee Morning @ 9.00am

- Year 2 The Great fire of London Workshop

- Butterflies Parents learning afternoon **NEW**

- Nasal Flu Immunisations

School census day

- Book Fair **NEW**

- Prospective parent open morning 9.30-11am **NEW**

- Owls Class Assembly **NEW**

- PTA Halloween Disco

- HALF TERM

- INSET DAY **NEW**

- Parent Forum—2.30pm

- School photographer

- Kites Class Assembly **NEW**

- Year 6 Trip to Cadbury World **NEW**

- Prospective parent open morning 9.30-11am **NEW**