

# Beechwood Bulletin

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## Harvest Festival

Dear Parents and Guardians,

A huge thank you to everyone who sent in donations for Woodley Foodbank as part of our Harvest Festival this week. I know they will be very grateful to receive our donations which will be heading over to the Food Bank in the next few days. In school we all enjoyed coming together for a wonderful Harvest Festival assembly where the children learnt about the reason we celebrate Harvest, learnt what happens at Harvest now compared to in the past, shared some fantastic poems written by the children and listened to powerful Harvest prayers written by our Head Boy and Head Girl. We also enjoyed singing three Harvest songs including Harvest Samba which had some percussion accompaniment from the children.

Kind regards,

Miss S E Hunter,  
Headteacher



## NOTICEBOARD



### HANDY CLUB

Our extended day care run a breakfast club from 7.40 am at a cost of £5.50. They also run two after school sessions from 3.30 to 4.30pm at a cost of £5 and 4.30—6pm at a cost of £6 (£11 for a full session). Please email [Extendeddaycare-beechwood@fraysacademytrust.org](mailto:Extendeddaycare-beechwood@fraysacademytrust.org) directly if you would like to book a place or for further information.

### COLLECTION TIMES

The school gates are open from 3.05-3.20pm in the afternoon. Please ensure you let the office know if you will be late collecting your child.

### CHILD ABSENCE

Please ensure you call the absence line to let us know why your child is not in school for every day of their absence so that we can ensure we give them the correct code in the register.

### Star Pupils w/c 03/10/22

Robins — Logan  
Wrens — Rubie-Mae  
Rabbits - Finn  
Hedgehogs— Honey  
Badgers— Jack  
Foxes— Freddie

Woodpeckers — Ayri  
Owls— Nishkkalaa  
Kites - Anna  
Falcons— Siddhi  
Hawks— Lola  
Eagles— Josh  
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 3rd October 2022 has unfortunately dropped below our target of 94.8%

## Over the last week at Beechwood.....

**Foundation Stage** have begun learning about the artist " Frank Bowling" and have practised his various art techniques in order to create a large group one off masterpiece. They have enjoyed playing phonics and maths games, learning about repeating patterns and the composition of the number 2. Butterflies have also explored the local area by going on a scavenger hunt in Woodley precinct.

**Year 1** have been reading the story of Leaf Man and created our own leaf men using natural resources. After following the journey of Leaf Man in the story, we shared our own ideas of where our leaf men could travel and the things they would see and drew these on a story map. In maths we have been using part whole models to begin our unit on addition and subtraction. In science we have continued our learning about our senses.

**Year 2** have been practising their number bonds in maths, to both 10 and 100. In english we have been news reporters, reporting on the events of the great fire of London. We have been watching other news broadcasts and planning how to successfully create our own.

**Year 3** have been looking at information texts in english, preparing to write our own all about the Stone Age. In maths we have moved on-to column addition and subtraction. In music we have begun to write our own music using music notation and have continued to create Stone Age inspired artwork using stone age painting techniques.

**Year 4** have been writing instruction texts and solving addition problems in english and maths. We finished our class text, The Ice Palace, which we've really enjoyed and we have banked lots of interesting language from the final section. We have also been learning about the impact of The Romans on Britain and The Weather Cycle.

**Year 5** have enjoyed researching planets this week (linked to our science topic of Space) and are in the process of writing our information texts. In maths, we have investigated how we can work out common multiples of numbers and investigated patterns within these. We have learned about different festivals that are celebrated in France and really enjoyed trying fencing on Monday!

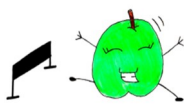
**Year 6** have had great fun this week tasting chocolate as part of their learning about Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. In maths we have been practising our multiplication.

## House Points

**Outstanding  
Oranges**  
184



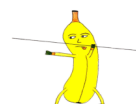
**Amazing  
Apples**  
201



**Super  
Strawberries**  
240



**Brilliant  
Bananas**  
264



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

### **Dates for your diary:**

Wednesday 12th—Friday 14th October - Book Fair

Tuesday 18th October - Prospective parent open morning 9.30-11am

Wednesday 19th October - Owls Class Assembly

Friday 21st October - Wear it pink day  
PTA Halloween Disco

Monday 24th to Friday 28th October - HALF TERM

Monday 31st October - INSET DAY

Tuesday 1st November - Year 6 Height & Weight Measurement

Monday 7th November - Parent Forum—2.30pm

Tuesday 8th November - Prospective parent open morning 9.30-11am

Wednesday 9th November - School photographer

- Kites Class Assembly

Thursday 17th November - FS Vision Screening **NEW**

Wednesday 21st November - Year 6 Trip to Cadbury World

Wednesday 23rd November - Foxes Class Assembly **NEW**

Thursday 24th November - Prospective parent open morning 9.30-11am