

Beechwood Bulletin

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"Wear it Pink"

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week we held our first Open Morning of the academic year for prospective parents. It was really lovely welcoming families into school and our prefects did an absolutely wonderful job showing the parents around the school. If you know anyone local who has a child due to start school in September 2023, please encourage them to book onto one of our future open mornings. We would love to welcome them to Beechwood.

The NSPCC offers some great advice and support to parents and children about keeping safe online including free online safety resources such as setting up parental controls, online games and video apps, starting conversations about online safety as well as offering a free online safety webinar which you may find helpful. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety>

Don't forget, we are supporting Wear It Pink Day on Friday. All children and staff are welcome to come to school wearing as little or as much pink as they would like. If you would like to make a donation to this charity please send this into school with your child.

Just to remind you that we break up at 3.10pm on Friday for half term. Monday 31st October is a staff training day so there is no school for children on this day. The first day for pupils after half term will be Tuesday 1st November.

Kind regards,

Miss S E Hunter, Headteacher



NOTICEBOARD

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who came to the book fair. We have raised nearly £250 for books for the school library. Many thanks for your continued support.

NO CYCLING

Woodley Town Council have asked us to remind you that the precinct and pathways around the school are no cycle zones. Please ensure children are aware of this.

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 directly if you would like to book a place or for further information.

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.

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 10th October 2022 was 94.3% which continues to be below our target.

Star Pupils w/c 10/10/22

Robins — Loukya

Wrens — Megan

Rabbits - Amirah

Hedgehogs— Kush

Badgers— Jaya

Foxes— Hashim

Woodpeckers — Musa

Owls— Ariana

Kites - Lilley, Ravneet, Bob

by & Harry

Falcons— Heath

Hawks— Jiya

Eagles— Valerie

Well done to all of our

Stars!

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have been learning about the numbers 1, 2 and 3 in maths and have been playing subitising games to help them recognise the numbers. In literacy, the children have read the story 'Pumpkin Soup' and they were very excited to peel and chop the ingredients to make their own delicious soup! The children have also been learning about Autumn and they have been noticing and talking about the changes that are happening around them.

Year 1 have been learning about what happens in Autumn, the changes to trees and animals hibernating and migrating. In maths the children have continued addition and began investigating fact families. They had great fun making leaf crowns and other autumnal arts and crafts using natural resources.

Year 2 have been filming news broadcasts this week about The Great Fire of London. The children have done a fantastic job and are now going to be using this to write some news reports. In maths they have been using their number bond knowledge to add three 1 digit numbers and to add to the next 10. In topic, the children thought about sources of information and which ones were the most useful in telling us about the fire.

Year 3 have begun to write their own poetry in English, using similes and metaphors! In art the children created their own Stone Age inspired cave art, with incredible results! Finally, in P.E. the children are continuing to develop their fundamental skills, trying their hands at skipping with skipping ropes and seeing how far they can sprint!

Year 4 have had a busy week working on calculation strategies in maths and grammar and punctuation skills in English. They've also written reviews of their class book, become dodgeball masters and have made an incredible collection of Roman shields. Please take time to ask the children about The Romans - they'd love to share their learning with you!

Year 5 have imagined they have travelled to Alpha Centauri (over 4 light years away from our solar system) and have been designing the planets that they have discovered to report back to Earth. In maths the children have been learning about prime, squared and cubed numbers, as well as practising their factor bugs. In geography, they looked at food miles and how far their food has travelled before reaching their plates.

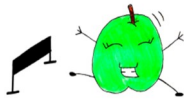
Year 6 have been super busy designing their Aztec Temples using Tinkercad on the computers and on paper. This coming week they will be completing their prototypes and making their temples using clay. The children have also been thinking about chocolate in English! Specifically, making their own designs of sweet things and thinking carefully about the language used when describing them.

House Points

**Outstanding
Oranges**
260



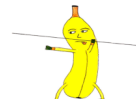
**Amazing
Apples**
250



**Super
Strawberries**
212



**Brilliant
Bananas**
319



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

Dates for your diary:

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

Monday 14th November

- In Person Parents Evening **NEW** - more details to follow

Wednesday 16th November

- Owls Class Assembly **RESCHEDULED NEW**
- Online Parents Evening **NEW** - more details to follow

Thursday 17th November

- FS Vision Screening

Wednesday 21st November

- Year 6 Trip to Cadbury World

Wednesday 23rd November

- Foxes Class Assembly

Thursday 24th November

- Prospective parent open morning 9.30-11am