Beechwood Bulletin

Beechwood Primary School

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NOTICEBOARD

ATTENDANCE AWARD:

The class with the best attendance across the whole school last week was Robins at 94.6%. Well done Robins!

48hrs POLICY — SICKNESS/DIARRHOEA: A reminder if your child has had sickness or diarrhoea to please keep them off school for 48hrs from the last bout.

DAILY ABSENCES: Please call the school office daily if your child is not in school.

TERM DATES ON WEBSITE: Term dates for 2023.24 are now on the website https://beechwoodprimaryschool.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-2024-Term-Dates.pdf

<u>DOGS ON SITE:</u> If you need to bring your dog onto the school site when collecting your children, please can we ask that the dog is kept under control and away from other children as much as possible as we need to be mindful that some people are not comfortable around dogs.

REMINDER NO PARKING:

Please do not attempt to drive down Ambleside Close. No-one should be driving, stopping or parking there when bringing children to school. Parking enforcement are continuing to patrol the area.



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week is Place2Be Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme is 'Let's Connect' and encourages children (and adults) to consider the different ways that we can make meaningful connections with others.

In school each day this week children have had a short wellbeing session where they have been listening to music, taking part in breathing exercises, sharing positive books as well as other wellbeing activities. During this time children have been thinking about making connections and who they have connections with, as well as considering how to look after their own mental health and the mental health of others.

In support of Turkish & Syrian families who have been affected by the devastating earthquake we will be holding a non-uniform day on **Friday** and will be collecting monetary donations if you would like to make one.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half term break. Just to remind you that Monday 20th February is a staff training day, so only staff will be in school on this day. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 21st February.

Kind regards,

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Miss S E Hunter Headteacher



Star Pupils—w/c 30/01/23

Butterflies— Piper Robins — Lottie Wrens — Maxi Rabbits— Sam

Rabbits— Sam Hedgehogs— Paige Badgers— Autumn

Foxes— There will be 2 after half

Woodpeckers – Wing Sum

Owls— Bevon
Kites— Ayanna
Falcons— Safwen
Hawks— Oscar
Eagles— Daniel
Well done to all of our

<u>Attendance</u>

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 30th January was 89.1% which unfortunately is below our target.

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

Foundation Stage have continued learning about space. They have written some facts about some of the planets in our solar system. The children have made alien spaceships and used marbles to paint their own planets. They have used the Beebots and designed an algorithm to program them to avoid hitting any asteroids.

Year 1 have wrapped up all their units this week. In english they have been writing book reviews for Peter Rabbit and in science they have been experimenting with playdough, lolly sticks and lego to see which material would be most suitable to make a house with. They have also enjoyed making their Barbara Hepworth inspired clay sculptures to feature in our Great Exhibition to finish off our art sculpture unit.

Year 2 have been learning all about Antarctica and have been writing fact files in english. In geography, we have been learning about a famous explorer of Antarctica, Robert Falcon Scott. In maths we have continued multiplication and division, looking at odd and even numbers and moving onto the 10 times table.

Year 3 have been working on their measuring skills in maths, and have begun writing a persuasive letter to an important person to try and stop the deforestation of the Amazon rainforest. In science they have been carrying out an investigation to see what plants need to grow. Finally in art they have begun their final art pieces on canvas!

Year 4 have completed their maths work on perimeters of shapes and are undertaking short revision pieces of writing in english. In their final swimming session they considered water safety. In P.E. sessions they will be finishing off the unit on basketball and completing their paper aeroplane models in D.T.

Year 5 have started to plan their mystery and suspense narrative with an aim of writing the end of Chapter 9 of River Boy by Tim Bowler in english. They are continuing their work on fractions and decimal equivalence in maths. In geography, they have considered how humans use rivers and reflected on the long term impact to habitats and the local environment. They have been using databases in computing to efficiently search for information and extract information according to specific parameters and in PSHE they have explored how we can support others in achieving their goals and dreams.

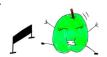
Year 6 have finished their algebra unit in maths. In english they have been debating topics on climate change and are planning their fundraiser to raise money to save the trees and save the seas.

House Points

Outstanding Oranges



Amazing Apples



Super Strawberries



Brilliant Bananas 245



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

Dates for your diary:

Friday 10th February

Monday 13th-Friday 19th February

Monday 20th February

Wednesday 22nd February

Friday 24th February

Wednesday 1st March

Friday 3rd March

Wednesday 8th March

Wednesday 15th March

Wednesday 22nd March Monday 27th March

Tuesday 28th March

Wednesday 29th March

Friday 31st March

- PTA School disco
- Half Term
- INSET DAY
- Family Learning Session 9.00-10.00am
- Year 3 Living Rainforest visit
- Woodpeckers Class Assembly—2.30pm
- PTA Bingo Bongo
- Eagles Class Assembly—2.30pm
- Hedgehogs Class Assembly—2.30pm
- Falcons Class Assembly— 2.30pm
- Parents evening 3.30-6.00pm **Booking information to follow**
- Year 5 trip to Legoland
- Parents evening 6.00-8.30pm **Booking information to follow**
- End of Term 1.10-1.30pm