# **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 Butterflies class with 98.8% attendance. Well done Butterflies!

### **POLITE NOTICE**

We would be grateful if you could please ensure your child/children do not walk across local residents gardens, pathways or driveways. Thank you

### **PARENTS CONSULTATIONS**

A reminder that today's Parents Consultations take place on Zoom. Miss Heaps/Kites Zoom Parents Consultations will now take place on Wednesday 19th April.

### **JEWELLERY/HAIR REMINDER**

No jewellery other than plain ear studs or watches are permitted. All earrings have to be removed or covered (tape to be provided by parent/guardian) for PE and swimming lessons. Long hair should be tied up at all times. No hair colour, hair extensions or nail varnish should be worn. Hair accessories must be kept to a minimum.

# PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT DONATIONS:

Many thanks for your kind donations towards the new playground equipment. You have raised an amazing £311.59!

# Happy Easter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is hard to believe we are nearly at the end of another term and what a term it has been. A huge well done to all the children who have been working extremely hard across the curriculum we are extremely proud of you. This week our Year 5 children had the most fantastic day at Legoland. Staff reported that the children behaved impeccably and they represented the school beautifully. Well done Year 5.

We are in the process of further developing some of our areas in school. If you are having a spring clean over the Easter break and are looking to rehome any of the following items, which are in good useable condition, we would be very grateful to receive them;

Cushions, Beanbags
Large throws or blankets
Large pieces of material
Dolls prams, dolls
Large construction equipment e.g. building blocks
Outdoor games/equipment
Lego

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In school we have been developing a child friendly version of our Safeguarding policy, which we have shared with the children in school. Please find attached a copy for your reference and for you to discuss at home which your child. It is very important to us that your child feels safe in school and they know what to do and who to speak to if something is worrying them.

Just to remind you school finishes at 1.10pm on Friday. The gates will be open for you to collect your child between 1.10 and 1.30pm. Wishing you all a wonderful Easter break. We look forward to welcoming the

children back on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Kind regards,

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Miss S E Hunter Headteacher



#### <u>Star Pupils—w/c 20/3/23</u>

Butterflies— Harry Robins — Stella Wrens— Anne Rabbits— Arthur Hedgehogs— Ivy

Badgers— Huda

Foxes— Georgia

Woodpeckers – Sam
Owls – Freia
Kites – Mason
Falcons – Arya & Kalindi
Hawks – Kyla-Rose
Eagles – Kayden
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 20th March was 95% which is unfortunately below our target.

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

Foundation Stage have been on a walk around Woodford Park looking for signs of Spring. In maths they have learnt about 3d shapes, curved sides and flat faces. In literacy they have written sentences about what they can see in our Spring scene. They have also enjoyed making repeating patterned playdoh eggs and painting and collaging chicks.

Year 1 have finished lots of their units including our DT project where we have been looking into toys and puppets. The children designed their own sock puppets and have had the opportunity to make their puppets in class this week which they all thoroughly enjoyed. The children have also been enjoying various Easter themed learning activities as well as singing some Easter themed songs.

Year 2 have been learning the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff in english. They have been role-playing the story and will be writing it, in the last half of the week. In maths they have been finishing their fractions unit finding and recognising 3/4 of a shape and number.

Year 3 have been learning about volume and capacity in maths. Writing some lovely poems about the rainforest in english. In DT they have finished making their Amazon inspired headdresses ready to be shown in our art exhibition.

Year 4 have been getting to grips with their first experience of decimals. This is their new maths unit that they will be following for the next few weeks. In writing they have been revisiting grammar, including parts of speech and main and subordinate clauses - placing the subordinate clauses in different places in the sentences. In french the children have been using vocabulary for shopping. They have now concluded their P.E. unit on dance, and Woodpeckers were able to be the audience for Owls' final dance performance.

Year 5 have been completing their newspaper reports about the events of The Spanish Armada in english. In maths they have completed their learning on statistics and have worked hard reading timetables. In history the children have learnt about Tudor medicine and had a go at "treating" some patients. They had the most amazing day in Legoland, learning about how rollercoasters work and spending lots of time on the rides. Everyone had a wonderful time and represented the school beautifully.

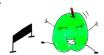
Year 6 have been busy pretending to be evacuees in WW2 for english this week. They have been writing diary entries and using drama to think about how evacuees would think and feel. Also as part of our Battle of Britain topic, Eagles have been making their own air raid sirens in DT, using electrical circuits. Hawks will make theirs this week - how loud will the sirens be? Year 6 are also moving full speed ahead with revision for SATs, and are doing a fantastic job!

## **House Points**

Outstanding Oranges



Amazing Apples



Super Strawberries 121



Brilliant Bananas



Congratulations to Super Strawberries for collecting the most tokens last week.

### Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 29th March

Friday 31st March

Monday 17th April

Wednesday 19th April

Tuesday 25th April

Wednesday 26th April

Monday 1st May

Monday 8th May

Wednesday 10th May

Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd May

Monday 5th—Friday 9th June

Tuesday 6th June

Wednesday 14th June

- Parents evening 5.00-7.30pm—Via Zoom
- End of Term 1.10-1.30pm
- Start of Summer Term
- Kites Class Parents evening 5.00-7.30—Via Zoom **NEW**
- Phonics screening information afternoon—3.30pm NEW
- Rabbits Class Assembly—2.30pm
- May Bank Holiday
- Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation
- Wrens Class Assembly—2.30pm
- Half Term
- Year 6 Residential NEW
- FS height & weight check NEW
- Robins Class Assembly—2.30pm NEW