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 Wrens class with 96.9% attendance. Well done Wrens!

STRIKE DAYS:

There are two teacher strike days being held on Thursday 27 April and Tuesday 2 May. At the moment we are unsure as to how it will affect our school. Miss Hunter will update you as soon as she is able to. However you may wish to start thinking about childcare for these days in case they are needed.

REMINDER: BANK HOLIDAYS:

Monday 1st May & Monday 8th May are Bank Holidays and the school will be shut.

CORONATION CELEBRATION DAY:

Children can come dressed up in red, white & blue royal themed clothing including crowns and tiaras.



REMINDER: NO PARKING:

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

Keeping children safe

Dear Parents and Guardians,

At Beechwood Primary School, Safeguarding is given the highest priority by all staff. We have a statutory duty to protect the children in our care.

At Beechwood there are many things we have in place to enable us to safeguard your children. This includes; a child protection policy, robust procedures, designated lead staff for child protection, robust and regular training for all staff, a child version of our safeguarding policy and safer recruitment processes when employing new staff.

Healthy relationships, positive choices, staying safe, saying no, anti-bullying and e-safety all form part of the Safeguarding curriculum we teach the children here at Beechwood.

We understand that safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility and we are committed to ensuring that, 'Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families and carers has a role to play in safeguarding children'.

The government has launched a campaign called 'Together we can tackle Child Abuse'. The resources, aimed at everyone in the community, include four very short videos explaining physical abuse, emotional abuse, sexual abuse, neglect and online abuse. A simple mnemonic, ABC, is also used to remind everyone that they should look out for changes in 'appearance, behaviour or communication'.

For more information, please go to: https://tacklechildabuse.campaign.gov.uk. The webpage also has a search engine to find out where and how you should make a report, if you ever have any concerns.

Kind regards,

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Miss S E Hunter Headteacher

<u>Star Pupils—w/c 17/4/23</u>

Butterflies— William
Robins — Noone this week
Wrens— Karolina
Rabbits— Sienna-Louise
Hedgehogs— Musa
Badgers—Richie

Foxes— Darius

Woodpeckers – Ava
Owls — Imogen
Kites — Olivia Sh
Falcons — Emily
Hawks — Naina
Eagles — De-Onte
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 17th April was 92% which is unfortunately below our target.

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have continued learning about minibeasts. They have really enjoyed making playdough snails and have been on a bug hunt to collect some real ones. The children have then created some wonderful observational drawings. In maths they have learnt about doubling. In literacy they have designed a wanted poster for the giant from "Jack and the bean-stalk."

Year 1 have concluded their visit to Paris by writing a recount using time order words: first, then & finally. In maths they continued to count in 2's, 5's and 10's and introduced using arrays to help us count. In science they began their unit on plants and made observational drawings of fruit and also plants growing outside, looking closely at the features of both.

Year 2 have been writing missing posters in english for their dragon and in maths they have been continuing to review addition and subtraction. In art this week they have been learning about the artist Paul Klee and using shapes to recreate his picture "Castle and Sun".

Year 3 have started their new art topic, looking at the art of artist Victoria Topping in preparation for their sketching unit. In P.E. they have started their Golf lessons, learning how to hold a golf club like a professional! In music they have learnt about drones and scales, playing them together as a class while staying in time.

Year 4 are starting their new maths unit this week. In english they will be writing their stories based on the superheroes they created last week. In science they are learning about human digestion, and hoping to create their own version of the human digestive system in the near future! In history they are learning about Anglo-Saxon rulers. In PSHE they have been learning about jealousy and how to deal with this difficult emotion.

Year 5 are writing a recount from the perspective of William Montague about successfully becoming a page to Prince Edward. In maths they have been accurately drawing angles and using basic algebraic equations to find unknown angles around a point and on a straight line. In geography, they have learned how to find places in an atlas using the index and grid references. They have completed their first exploration lesson in art and have learned about the history of graffiti.

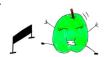
Year 6 have continued their new topic 'Your Mountain is waiting for you'. They have completed their exciting first person journey - mountain biking to the peak of a mountain. They have started researching a new artist called Hokasai - a wonderful artist with links to Mount Fuji. They have also researched into 'Are more expensive biscuits better for dunking?'. This was a messy, fun afternoon in which the children investigated biscuits scientifically - ending with eating them!

House Points

Outstanding
Oranges
246



Amazing Apples



Super Strawberries



Brilliant Bananas 258



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

Dates for your diary:

Monday 1st May

Wednesday 3rd May

Friday 5th May

Monday 8th May

Tuesday 9th—Friday 12th May

Wednesday 10th May

Friday 19th May

Monday 22nd May

Monday 22nd—26th May

Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June

Monday 5th—Friday 9th June

Tuesday 6th June

Monday 12th—Friday 16th June

Wednesday 14th June

- May Bank Holiday
- Rabbits Class Assembly—2.30pm **NEW**
- Kings Coronation Celebration, dress down day
- Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation
- KS2 SATS Week **NEW**
- Wrens Class Assembly—2.30pm
- PTA Disco
- School Photographer visit—Class photos
- Woodley School Sports Week <u>NEW—DETAILS TO FOLLOW</u>
- Half Term
- Year 6 Residential
- FS height & weight check
- Year 6 Bikeability NEW
- Robins Class Assembly—2.30pm