

# Beechwood Bulletin

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## Welcome Back

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to school. I hope you all had an enjoyable half term break. It was an added bonus to have such warm and sunny weather too.

It is hard to believe we are now in the final half term of the academic year. This week our Year 6's are all enjoying an action packed week, either away at Ferny Crofts or as part of our Wokingham and school based activities.

As the beautiful weather is set to continue for at least a little while, please can we ask that all children ensure they bring a cap/sunhat and water bottle with them to school each day. Please could we also ask that you apply sun cream to your child before they come to school in the morning.

Classes are also now beginning to practice for Sports Day which will take place later in the term.

Please do look at the diary date section of the Bulletin as new dates are being added all the time.

Kind regards,

Miss S E Hunter  
Headteacher



## NOTICEBOARD

### ATTENDANCE AWARD:

The class with the best attendance across the whole school the week before half term was Foxes with 100% attendance. Well done Foxes!

### SCHOOL PHOTOS:

can be ordered from Stanley Baker [www.photoordering.co.uk](http://www.photoordering.co.uk). You will need the image code for your child's class that they brought home with them to order your photo. If you need any help Stanley Baker can be contacted: 01255 242200 (Option 2) or e-mail [support@sbsdigital.co.uk](mailto:support@sbsdigital.co.uk) or otherwise please contact us.

### SCHOOL ABSENCE REMINDER:

please call the school office by 9.30am on the day of your child's absence (and each subsequent day) with full details. If we do not hear from you the absence will be recorded as 'unauthorised' and you could receive a Penalty Notice if your child has 5 or more days unauthorised absences.

### TRIPS REMINDER:

Can we please remind you that payments are due for the EYFS trip to Bucklebury Farm which is on Monday 12th June and the Year 3 trip to the Ashmolean Museum which is on Tuesday 13th June via Parentpay.



### NUT FREE SCHOOL:

A reminder that children should not bring in any items in their lunchbox that contain nuts.

### Star Pupils

Star Pupils  
will continue  
next week

### 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 22nd May was 91.4% which is below our target.

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

**Foundation Stage** have started learning about "Pirates". They have really enjoyed dressing up and making their own pirate accessories . In maths sessions they have learnt about how shapes can be rotated and put together to make other shapes. In literacy they have written sentences about what they can see in their pirate scenes.

**Year 1** have travelled by boat to Antarctica. They have been learning lots of interesting facts about this cold continent and the animals that live there. In maths they have started their unit on place value to 100, looking at the numbers on a 100 square and playing snakes and ladders!

**Year 2** have been writing about St George and The Dragon this week using interesting vocabulary. In maths they have started their unit on measurement, measuring in both cm and m. They had lots of fun in science planting a bean in a bag, observing how it grows using the hydroponic method.

**Year 3** have started their forces and magnets topic in science and have done some exploring with magnets around the classroom, seeing what they stick to and how they act with the objects around them. In English they have begun to look at crime reports, while in maths they have started to look for and identify angles. They are looking forward to their trip to the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford next Tuesday!

**Year 4** are starting work on Shape in maths, looking particularly at different types of angles within 2D shapes. In English, they are following a two week genre journey on biographical and autobiographical writing. In geography, they are learning about the physical and human geography of the United Kingdom. In P.E. they have just started to learn tennis. In R.E they are learning about Bar and Bat Mitzvahs. They are now into their last half term as Year 4s and aspiring to achieve at a Year 5 level!

**Year 5** have started to explore The Arrival by Shaun Tan and have used this to develop our inference skills and inspire emotive writing that impacts the audience. In maths, they have continued to develop their understanding of calculating with decimals. In computing they have started their new unit, Selection in Quizzes, and will be testing their programming skills throughout the term. They have taken part in athletics in PE and are looking forward to tennis later in the week.

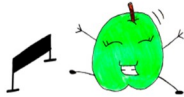
**Year 6** have been enjoying all sorts of activities this week! Most are in Ferny Croft taking part in wonderful outdoor adventures, they have completed two nights of camping so far and have been undertaking fun and challenging activities. On one walk they were even surrounded by wild ponies. The rest of the children have had opportunities to be creative and have fun at Woodford Park - today they have been at Dinton Activity Centre! Look out for pictures on Facebook!

## House Points

**Outstanding  
Oranges**  
80



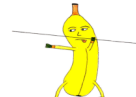
**Amazing  
Apples**  
93



**Super  
Strawberries**  
97



**Brilliant  
Bananas**  
76



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

## Dates for your diary:

Monday 12th—Friday 16th June

Monday 12th June

Tuesday 13th June

Wednesday 21st June

Monday 26th June

Friday 30th June

Tuesday 4th July

Wednesday 5th July

Thursday 6th July

Tuesday 11th July

Friday 14th July

Wednesday 19th July

Friday 21st July

- Year 6 Bikeability

- EYFS Trip to Bucklebury Farm

- Year 3 Trip to The Ashmolean Museum

- Robin's Class Assembly—2.30pm

- Year 2 Trip to the Tower of London

- Family learning session—9-10am

- Year 6 Afternoon Performance

- Hub Choir Performance Keep Hatch (**postponed until next term**)

- Sports Day

- Year 6 Evening Performance

- Year 4 Trip to BCA Zoo

- Reports to parents

- Year 6 Leavers Evening

- Year 6 Leavers Assembly

- End of Term 1.10-1.30pm