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 with 97.9% attendance. Well done Robins!



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.

HOT WEATHER REMINDERS

As the warm weather if set to continue, please can we remind you to ensure you have applied sun cream to you child at home and your child has a cap and filled water bottle in school each day. Whilst it remains very warm, children do not need to wear their ties to school and can also switch to white polo shirts if they prefer. Children are however, expected to be in school uniform each day.

Considerate Parking

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week at Beechwood our Foundation Stage children had a fun filled day out at Bucklebury Farm whilst our Year 3 children thoroughly enjoyed a day at Ashmolean Museum in Oxford. Both year groups came back reporting what a great day the children had, how wonderful they behaved whilst off site and how proud they were of the children. Well done everyone.

We have been notified by residents of Ambleside Close of more inconsiderate parking at drop off and pick up time, where cars have been parked across driveways preventing residents being able to drive onto or leave their properties and actually parked on residents driveways.

Please can we remind you that there should be no cars at all parked down Ambleside Close, including stopping temporarily for pupils to get in or out the car as this causes hazards for the children walking into school. Please could we ask you not to drive down Ambleside close and to make use of our other local roads and car parks.

Please can we also ask that no Prime bottles are brought in school, whether they still contain the prime drink or not. Unfortunately, even empty bottles are causing a number of problems in school so please could we ask that these remain at home.

Kind regards,

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Miss S E Hunter Headteacher



Star Pupils—w/c 15/5/23

Butterflies— Anthony & Olly Robins — Whole Class Wrens— Presley

Rabbits— Leah Hedgehogs— Ollie

Badgers— No star pupil this week

Foxes— Josh

Woodpeckers –Amber Owls— Reuben

Kites— Nour Falcons— Alexander

Well done to all of our

<u>Stars!</u>

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 5th June was 94.8% which is below our target.

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have continued learning about "Pirates". They have really enjoyed painting pirate portraits and making paper plate parrots. In maths sessions the children have started to order numbers beyond 10. In literacy they have written sentences about our class trip to Bucklebury Farm.

Year 1 have continued exploring Antarctica, learning about Ernest Shackleton and his expedition. The children wrote a character description for Shackleton and created a job advert for an explorer thinking about what qualities they would need - fearless, brave, adventurous. In maths they have continued their unit on place value to 100, partitioning numbers into tens and ones.

Year 2 have been completing their measurement unit and are starting their weight and capacity unit. In English, the children have been looking at grammar and using possessive apostrophes. In topic they have enjoyed finding out about different castles across the UK.

Year 3 had a fantastic time at the Ashmolean museum yesterday. It was great to see them using their knowledge of ancient Greece to answer the tour guides questions. All the children were extremely well behaved and a fabulous representation of the school. They also had fun in science today investigating friction and it's effect on toy cars!

Year 4 have created an investigation in science to compare the effect of different drinks on teeth. They have also been outside in the sunshine enjoying tennis in PE. In English, they have been writing biographies, while in maths they have been developing their understanding of shapes. This week in art the children are looking at the fascinating works of Pablo Picasso and even having a go at Cubism themselves.

Year 5 have enjoyed exploring Chapter 2 of The Arrival in English lessons and have written some incredible setting descriptions about the new land. In maths, the children have completed their work on decimals and will start working with negative numbers following their assessments. In PE they have enjoyed playing tennis and practicing forehand groundstrokes.

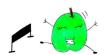
Year 6 this week, half of year 6 have completed the Bikeability course in which they have learnt to become proficient cyclists practising on local roads! In English, they have continue to practice everything they have learned during their time at Beechwood, producing independent short stories based on photos. They are already impressing their teachers. Practise for their production, based on the story of Robin Hood, is in full swing for their performances next month. They're looking forward to performing it to you!

House Points

Outstanding Oranges



Amazing Apples



Super Strawberries 125



Brilliant Bananas 169



Congratulations to Outstanding Oranges for collecting the most tokens last week.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 21st June

Monday 26th June

Wednesday 28th June

Thursday 29th June

Friday 30th June

Triday Sotti Julie

Tuesday 4th July

Wednesday 5th July

Thursday 6th July

Tuesday 11th July

Friday 14th July

Wednesday 19th July

Friday 21st July

- Robin's Class Assembly 2.30pm
- Year 2 Trip to the Tower of London
- Butterflies Class Assembly—2.30pm
- Year 1 Trip to Beale Park **NEW—DETAILS TO FOLLOW**
- Family learning session—9-10am
- Year 6 Afternoon Performance
- 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