# **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 Kites with 99% attendance. Well done Kites!



### **PARENT SURVEY 2023**

Please see below link and QR Code to the Parent Survey 2023. We would be grateful for your response, closing date for the survey is **Friday 23 June.** 

https://forms.office.com/e/4rHtd2G0nU



### SCHOOL ABSENCE REMINDER

Please can we ask that you 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.

# **Sports Day**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you will be aware the NEU have announced two further strike days, which will take place on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July**. At this stage, I am unable to confirm how this will affect us and which classes will be open and closed. I will endeavour to let you know as soon as I can. As a result, we have however taken the decision to move our sports day to **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July**.

Following feedback from parents, we have taken the decision this year to hold all our sports days on one day rather than over two days. Parents are invited to join us to come and watch their child/children take part.

This year, our KS2 sports day will begin at 9.30am with the gates opening to parents from 9.00am. Key Stage 2 children will take part in their activities throughout the morning.

At 12.00pm we will be holding a family picnic for all children. Parents are invited to bring a picnic to share with their child/children on the school field at lunchtime. We warmly welcome Key Stage 1 parents in to join the picnic before their children participates in the afternoon.

We will then begin our Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage sports afternoon at 1.15pm which will run until 2.30pm.

From 2.45pm we will have a presentation of the sports awards which all parents are welcome to attend. If you have children in both key stages, parents are welcome to stay for the whole day.

Please look out for further details in the coming weeks.

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Kind regards,

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Miss S E Hunter Headteacher



# Star Pupils—w/c 12/6/23

Butterflies— Sophia & Millie

Robins — Eden

-Wrens— Adharv

Rabbits— Mohammaed

Hedgehogs— Kieron-Lewis

Badgers— Rowan

Foxes— Osman

Woodpeckers – Nieve

Owls— Elena

Kites— Jack

Falcons — Daniel

Hawks—Ava

Eagles—Evie

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 12th June was 95.5% which is below our target.

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

Foundation Stage have begun looking at underwater animals. They have really enjoyed painting puffer fish and making playdoh sharks. In maths sessions they have continued ordering numbers beyond 10. In literacy they have written sentences about what they can see in various picture prompts.

Year 1 have travelled to Africa to visit Congo where they have been exploring the rainforest! With sports day just around the corner, the children have been practising their athletic skills including relay races and vortex (javelin) throwing. The children finished their phonics screening last week and the staff are very proud of how hard they have worked and what they achieved. Keep up the good work at home too!

Year 2 have been measuring volume and capacity this week which has been lots of fun. The children have enjoyed finding out about William the Conqueror as part of their castles topic and have looked at the Bayeux Tapestry. They were very excited to learn that he built The Tower of London, and the children cannot wait to visit next week!

Year 3 have been continuing to investigate the world of forces and magnets this week, investigating friction and what materials are magnetic and having lots of fun seeing what is magnetic in our classrooms. In computing, they have learnt how to code a drawing program on Scratch, figuring out how to change the colour of the pen as well as how to write their names using the programming software! Finally, in DT the have been working extremely hard to create a Greek inspired pinch pot from clay, despite the hot weather making it even harder!

Year 4 have been very busy with their reading, SPaG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) and maths assessments. Meanwhile, in geography the children have been looking at the way weather and soil types impact on the food production of different parts of the UK. In P.E. the children are continuing with their units on tennis and athletics. In French they have been discussing which sports they enjoy. Together with abstract art in their art lessons and "Changing Me" in PSHE, this is what Year 4 have been up to this week.

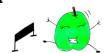
Year 5 have explored and written a character's flashback linked to The Arrival in preparation for our independent writing in English. In maths, they have started exploring negative numbers and found the number line really useful in calculating additions and subtractions. In history, the children have explored changes over time in Reading by comparing the population changes from the Tudor Era to the present day.

Year 6 are deep into practising for their production - and its looking great! They have also been continuing to improve their English skills as well as using pictures to spark their imaginations and get the creative juices flowing. Their teachers have been impressed! Just a reminder to keep wearing PE kits this week - they will be practising for sports day whenever they can!

Outstanding Oranges



Amazing Apples



Super Strawberries



Brilliant Bananas



# **House Points**

Will roll over until next week

# **Dates for your diary:**

Tuesday 27th June

Wednesday 28th June

Friday 30th June Tuesday 4th July

Tuesday Fill July

Thursday 6th July

Monday 10th July

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Tuesday 11th July

Wednesday 12th July

Thursday 13th July

Friday 14th July

Wednesday 19th July

Friday 21st July

- Year 2 Trip to the Tower of London
- Year 1 Trip to Beale Park
- Butterflies Class Assembly—2.30pm
- Family learning session—9-10am
- Year 6 Afternoon Performance
- Year 6 Evening Performance
- Year 5 Fishbowl Day @ Bulmershe **NEW**
- Moving Up Morning **NEW—MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW**
- Year 4 Trip to BCA Zoo
- Sports Day RE-ARRANGED DATE
- Moving Up Afternoon **NEW—MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW**
- Reports to parents
- Year 6 Leavers Evening
- Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- End of term 1.10-1.30pm