

Beechwood Bulletin

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Uniform Reminder

Dear Parents and Guardians,

At Beechwood, we encourage the children to identify with their school community by the wearing of a simple comfortable uniform and we hope that they want to wear the Beechwood uniform with pride. Please could I take this opportunity to remind you of our uniform guidelines.

Beechwood School Uniform	P.E. Kit
Burgundy school jumper or cardigan White shirt/blouse/polo shirt (FS/KS1) White shirt and school tie (KS2) Black trousers Black pinafore dress/skirt/school trousers Black socks or tights Sensible black school shoes (no boots, trainers or heels above 3cm) <i>Optional summer uniform:</i> Red & white summer dress with white socks Black shorts are optional in the summer Burgundy school book bag	<i>Indoor and summer kit:</i> Black shorts (shadow stripe or plain) Burgundy t-shirt with school logo <i>Winter kit:</i> Black shorts (shadow stripe or plain) Black tracksuit bottoms Black or dark colour hoody Trainers for outdoor games (not pumps) All kit should be kept in a burgundy draw-string bag No earrings to be worn for PE or swimming

Items in **Bold** can be purchased online via School Trends: <https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/BeechwoodPrimarySchoolRG54JJ> or the school office.

If your child has their ears pierced, please make sure they only wear small plain stud earrings. For health and safety reasons, all earrings must be removed or covered (tape to be provided by parent/guardian) for all PE lessons. Children are able to wear watches to school but no other jewellery is permitted.

Please can we ask that if your child has long hair it is tied up whilst they are in school. Plain, simple hair bands and hair ties, in school colours, should be worn by the children during the day. Children should not wear any hair colouring, hair extensions or nail varnish to school.

Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name so we can help them to be responsible and keep track of their own clothing.

Kind regards,

Miss S E Hunter
Headteacher



NOTICEBOARD

ATTENDANCE AWARD:

The class with the best attendance across the whole school last week was Falcons with 99.2% attendance! A big well done to Falcons!



WATER BOTTLES:

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school every day, we have a very small supply of plastic cups that we are able to lend.

FAMILY LEARNING SESSION:

Tomorrow we are holding our next Family Learning session, where parents are invited to come into school to learn alongside their child/children. This will take place from 9.00-10.00am. We look forward to seeing you then.

BOOK WEEK:

Next week is Book Week and we will have a number of book and story related activities taking place across the week. As part of the week, on Thursday 7th March children (and staff) are invited to come to school dressed as a book character.

A FOND FARWELL: to Mr and Mrs B who leave us today. We will all miss you both very much and wish you all the very best for the future.

wishing
you ALL THE BEST

Star Pupils—w/c 19/02/24

Woodpeckers— Giulia
 Butterflies— Savannah
 Owls— Daniel & Kunashe
 Robins — Jorge
 Kites— Phoebe
 Rabbits— Dolly
 Falcons— Amelia
 Hedgehogs— 2 next week
 Hawks — Eshaal
 Badgers— Leah
 Eagles— Daniel
 Foxes — Sammy

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 last week was 95.2% which is unfortunately below our target!

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have been learning about people who help us. They have made emergency vehicles from junk modelling and Knex construction materials. They have explored and acted out hospital scenarios in our role play corner. In maths sessions they have been learning about height, length and time. During english, Butterflies class have drawn and written about their favourite superhero.

Years 1 & 2 have been working hard during assessment week. They are all really enjoying DT week, making a free standing structure, yesterday we explored lots of different materials to make our structure and today we have planned it. Please come along to our family learning session tomorrow to help us make it!

Year 3 have been learning about the human skeleton in science this week, learning about the names of the bones in our body and hands. In maths, they have been learning about fractions, identifying them and understanding the numerator and the denominator. In PSHE, they have been learning about why we need a balanced lifestyle to keep healthy. Finally, in computing we have begun to look at branching databases and writing yes/no questions.

Year 4 have had a very busy two weeks and have started several new units of work: In maths we are now learning about fractions. In english we are looking at persuasive writing and will be writing a travel brochure advertisement as our final piece of work. In P.E. we are working on units on handball and dance. In geography we are learning about and using cardinal points of the compass. In music we are looking at Samba music. In science we have been learning about the water cycle. We are also working very hard this week, completing tests in reading, maths and SPaG. Owls and Woodpeckers look forward to seeing you in our Family Learning Session on Thursday morning.

Year 5 have started their new topic The Tudors. They have spend the last week exploring key events that took place during the Tudor Era, and the different monarchs who reigned during that time. In english, the children have been studying the features of a biography, and have been looking closely at one, the renowned explorer of the Elizabethan Age, Sir Francis Drake. In PE, the children have started swimming lessons and have been impressing their swim teachers, whilst at school, they have been learning to play golf. Who knows, we may have the future Tiger Woods in our midst!

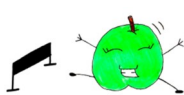
Year 6 are enjoying learning about the Maya Civilisation in our history lessons; we are linking this learning to english where we are writing travel adverts to South America and studying the book Oh Maya Gods by Maz Evans in reading. In maths this week we have been teachers and marked some completed SATs papers to find errors and spot misconceptions. We have enjoyed 3D modelling in computing and tennis in PE.

House Points

**Outstanding
Oranges
222**



**Amazing
Apples
275**



**Super
Strawberries
146**



**Brilliant
Bananas
260**



Congratulations to Amazing Apples for collecting the most house points this week

Dates for your diary:

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| Thursday 29th February | - Family Learning Session—9.00-10.00am |
| Thursday 7th March | - World Book Day <u>MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW</u> |
| Wednesday 13th March | - Hedgehogs class assembly—2.30pm |
| Friday 15th March | - PTA Comedy Evening |
| Mon 18th & Wed 20th March | - Parents Evenings - Both in person and both 3.30-6.00pm |
| Monday 18 th March | - KS2 Easter church visit—1.30pm |
| Tuesday 26th March | - Hawks Class assembly—2.30pm |
| Thursday 28th March | - End of Term 1.10-1.30pm |