

# NEWSLETTER

17 May 2024

**WELCOME** 

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been great to have a week where it hasn't rained every day! The children have been enjoying playing on the field at playtimes and lunchtimes.

A big thank you to Year 5 who have been working in the hall during the mornings this week because of the Year 6 tests, it has been much appreciated.

Our Year 6s have put in a tremendous amount of effort into their learning this year and we are very proud of them. They are an excellent cohort and are super role models for the rest of the school. This week they have all worked so hard and tried their absolute best - well done to Willow and Walnut Class. Also a big thank you to Miss Fuller, Mrs Diwan and Mrs Webb who have also worked tirelessly to ensure the curriculum has been well taught.

Just a little reminder about keeping your children safe online. Please continue to monitor what videos and games they are accessing. Also please check their messaging apps to see what they are writing and what others are writing to them.

We would also like to welcome Mrs Alili who has recently joined our team of Midday Supervisors.

Have a good weekend, see you all on Monday. Mrs Jackson

#### **Y3 DODGEBALL**

Year 3 took part in the Trust Tournament last week against Cherry Tree, Laurance Haines and Chater - the chosen sport: Dodgeball. On a beautifully sunny afternoon the children were amazing, putting the skills they had learnt in PE into practice and dodging and throwing their way to multiple victories. After the matches, the results were all collected and showed a WIN for Beechfield!

The sportsmanship and behaviour on show once again was lovely to see from the children!
Congratulations Year 3!
Mr Jarvis, Challenge Sport Leader

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 22nd May: Y4 Trip to Hampton Court

Thursday 23rd May: New Reception (Sept 24) parents meeting: 9.30-10.00am
Friday 24th May: Summer Party
Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May: Half Term
Thursday 6th June: Whole Class Photos
Monday 10th-Friday 14th June - Y6 Isle of Wight Trip
Wednesday 12th June - Y3 Trip to Tring Museum
Thursday 13th June - Nursery Sports Day
Friday 14th June - Reception Sports Day
Friday 21st June - Occasional Day - school closed
Friday 28th June - Trust Sports Day Y1-6
Wednesday 3rd July: Willow class Puppet Show
Thursday 4th July: Walnut class Puppet Show
Thursday 11th July: Y6 Transition Day
Thursday 18th July - End of Term for Nursery

Full term dates for 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 can be found on the school website. https://www.beechfield.herts.sch.uk/termdates

Friday 19th July - End of Term R-Y6 at 1.30pm

#### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

At Beechfield, we aim for 97% attendance or above so that our children have the best opportunity for learning. If you have any concerns or queries about attendance, please contact Miss Mortlock- tanya.mortlock@beechfield.herts.sch.uk.

Well done to Pine class last week for 0 lates!

	07 - 10 May %	13 - 17 May %
Lemon	96.6	98.6
Lime	95.1	90.7
Damson	96	95.4
Olive	95.7	96.9
Ash	96.6	97.2
Oak	95.8	99.3
Palm	98.2	97.9
Pine	95.7	98.6
Elder	93.1	98.1
Maple	96.8	96.1
Walnut	99.1	97.1
Willow	97.3	99.3



#### PREFECTS' PERSPECTIVE

It's been a sunny week and now it's coming to a close. Children have had the happiness of learning in their pyjamas/comfy clothes. This fundraising event was organised by the school's Junior Leadership Team. We have raised over £190, which the Leadership Team plan to spend on more sports equipment.

Year 6 are making final preparations for SATs week from Monday to Thursday. We are also having a summer party on the 24th of May.

One of our Y6 pupils - Dawud (Walnut class) - has made a magnificent drawing of a majestic snow leopard.



# **NEW TRIM TRAIL**

Thank you Mr Greenfield for building the new trim trail in the Early Years garden. Nursery and Reception children are really going to enjoy this! Miss Morgan



#### Y6 SATS



Well done Y6 for completing your SATS tests this week! We know how hard you have all been working for these.

As a celebration, the ice cream van came to school!

### **SUNFLOWERS**

We were excited to see how our sunflower seeds grew! In Science class, we planted them to explore what plants need to thrive. Everyone loved sharing their insights and checking out our sprouts.



Thank you to all of the children who have been helping to weed and water the allotments with Miss Mortlock and Mrs Jackson at lunchtimes.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

A huge congratulations to Oscar in Y3 for signing up with Tottenham's Football Academy. We know how much you love football and we want to celebrate this achievement with you.



## ARK FARM VISIT NURSERY

Last Friday, Nursery enjoyed meeting ducklings, kids, sheep, rabbits and a donkey when Ark Farm came to visit them.





# APPLE CLASS ALLOTMENT

Apple class have planted pea and tomato plants in their allotment.





#### FRIDAY 24th MAY

On Friday 24th May we are celebrating being part of our Beechfield School Community.

We are running an ART competition where children have been asked to design a piece of artwork called Culture in a Frame. A piece of paper will be provided but please feel free to use your own resources if you would like to.

The children will be able to dress in clothes they feel represent them and if they want to bring in flags to celebrate their culture.

During the day we will be having an ice cream van, a bouncy castle and a disco. We will not be charging for the disco or bouncy castle as our non -uniform days that we have held already will pay for these.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £2 for your child to buy an ice cream.

After school, the ice cream van will remain on school site. The bouncy castle will also remain after school and children will be able to have a supervised free bounce on it should they wish to.

There will also be a couple of stalls: a book stall (books on sale for 10p) and a children's toy sale. This will end around 4:00pm. Please bring cash as we are unable to accept card payments.

Fingers crossed the weather is good!

#### ONLINE SAFETY

Please see the summer bulletin that is attached to this newsletter.



## LIGHTING WORK

Have a look at some of the new lighting that has been installed so far in the KS1 library.





## **SEN COFFEE MORNING**

Please come and join us for our SEN Coffee Morning at the Otley Family Centre, Otley Way, Watford, WD19 7TB on Wednesday 26th June, 10am -12.30pm. It's an informal coffee morning to listen and chat to some of our experts in the field of SEN. From the Family Support Team, Watford and Three Rivers.



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