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## Friday 20th September 2024

Hello everyone, I hope you've been able to enjoy the sunshine this week, summer has finally arrived!

It has been another busy week at Beechwood Primary this week. In addition to all the regular activities and learning that takes place here at Beechwood some of our Year 4 and 5 pupils have continued to engage with the Mini Police project.

### **Mini Police Project.**

As you may have seen from our Facebook page here at Beechwood we currently have the opportunity to participate in a 6 week programme with Devon and Cornwall Police. The programme is designed for the children to work together as a team, work within their school environment and the local community. Every week they participate, alongside the police in a variety of activities. There is a key focus each week, and this week we focused on Internet Safety.



I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you back at Beechwood on Monday.

Mr Arnold and the Beechwood Team.

## **Diary Dates to Remember**

**Thursday 26th September**  
**KIRF Workshop - 8.45 to 9.45**

**Thurs 10th October**  
**Nasal Flu Vaccination**

**Wed 23rd October**  
**Individual Photographs**

**28th October to 1st November**  
**HALF TERM HOLIDAY**

**Monday 2nd December**  
**NON PUPIL DAY**

**23rd Dec to 3rd January**  
**CHRISTMAS BREAK**

**17th Feb to 21st Feb**  
**HALF TERM**

**7th April to 21st April**  
**EASTER BREAK**

**Monday 5th May**  
**MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY**

**26th May to 30th May**  
**HALF TERM**

**Monday 30th June**  
**NON PUPIL DAY**

**Wed 23rd July**  
**SUMMER BREAK**

**Please see Assembly Dates on page 3**

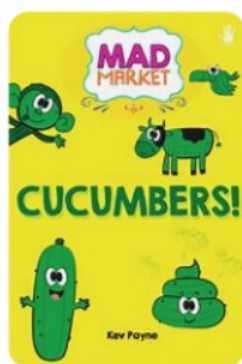
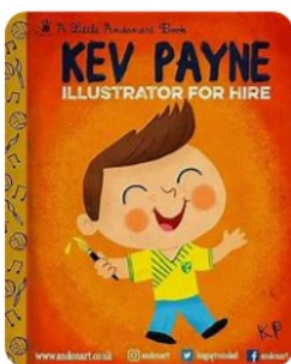
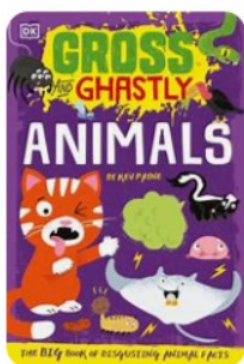
## Aim High Writing Day

On Monday some of the Upper Key Stage 2 Children had the opportunity to take part in an Aim High Writing Day at Bishop Cornish Primary School in Cornwall. They were able to meet and talk to the author Kev Payne.

The author Kev Payne, who is also an illustrator and poet, based the mornings activities on Myths and Legends, with particular focus on the Minotaur and Theseus story. During the sessions he continued the story , stopping in places where the children were able to participate and write.

The children were given the opportunity to write a Calligram poem and experience creating a Black-out Poem based on the myth. They also had the excitement of creating a Dragons eye using Airdry Clay.

In addition to all this fantastic exposure ,the children also enjoyed acting out part of the story and engaged fully in lively discussions about why we use language and how one word or punctuation can create a different impact on a sentence.



## Mini Police

Here at Beechwood we have the opportunity to participate in a six week programme with Devon and Cornwall Police. The programme is designed for the children to work together as a team, work within their school environment and the local community. Every week they participate, alongside the police in a variety of activities. The weeks will consist of:-

- ◇ About me session
- ◇ Internet Safety
- ◇ Ant—Social behaviour
- ◇ Outdoor 'Social Action Project' 'Litter Picking
- ◇ School Assembly preparation

This week the Beechwood Primary Mini police Children took their pledge and received their uniform. It was great to see them supporting each other and working as team. They are looking forward to completing their duties around the school.



## Nasal Flu Vaccinations



### Reception - Year 6 Children

Information was emailed out to parents/carers inviting them to consent to their child's nasal flu vaccination which will be carried out in school on **Thursday 10th October** for all children from Reception through to Year 6. The letter contains a school code which you will require to complete this form. **DV143311**

<https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

(quick link can also be found on our Facebook page)

Please submit your consent by **midday on 7th October 2024** at the very latest to ensure your child receives the vaccination.

More information about this vaccination can be found on the link below:-

<http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu>

## Assembly Dates

Thursday 3rd October - 2.45pm

Thursday 24th October - 2.45pm

Thursday 28th November - 2.45pm

Thursday 19th December - 2.45pm

Thursday 16th January - 2.45pm

Thursday 30th January - 2.45pm

Thursday 27th February - 2.45pm

Thursday 20th March - 2.45pm

Thursday 8th May - 2.45pm

Thursday 12th June - 2.45pm

Thursday 3rd July - 2.45pm

Year 6 - Tchaikovsky Class Assembly

Year 4/5 - Bernstein Class Assembly

Year 6 - Elgar Class Assembly

EYFS - Nativity Assembly

Year 4/5 - Dun Class Assembly

Year 3 - Lloyd-Webber Assembly

Year 1/2 - Price Class Assembly

Year 4/5 - Holst Class Assembly

Year 1/2 - Vivaldi Class Assembly

Year 1/2 - Zimmer Class Assembly

Year R - Mozart Class Assembly



### KIRF Workshop (Key Instant Recall Facts)

We look forward to welcoming parents/carers on:-

**Thursday 26th September**  
**8.45am to 9.45am**

Please wait by the black gates outside the dining hall.



### Tea with Teresa



We look forward to welcoming parents and carers to our tea and coffee morning each week in school

Come along for a drink and a chat with Mrs Pinhey

**When:**

Every Thursday

**Time:**

8.45 to 9.30

**Where:**

Beechwood Primary



# Harvest Festival Donations



This year at Beechwood we will be collecting harvest donations for *Devon and Cornwall Food Action Plus*, to help families when they need it most. All donations are gratefully received but to help we have a list of items **needed** by our *local food bank*. Tinned food, such as **soups**, vegetables or **chopped tomatoes**, cereals, **tea bags**, coffee and any pasta sauces.



Please pass your donations into your child's class by **Thursday 26th September**. Thank you.



## Wellbeing Through Crafting

### FREE PARENTING COURSE

Learn to Sew - Tote Bag to take home

Wednesday 25th September

until

Wednesday 23rd October

12.30pm until 3.30pm

This beginner-friendly course is designed to guide you through the fundamentals of machine sewing, from selecting fabrics and tools to mastering basic stitches and techniques. By the end of the course, you'll have completed a lined Tote bag with pocket to take home. You will achieve confidence and basic skills in machine sewing and a sense of creative empowerment.

#### What will I learn?

Week 1: Get to know your Sewing Machine: Gain confidence in machine sewing. Learn about essential sewing tools and materials. Practise basic sewing techniques.

Week 2: Mastering Basic Stitches: Learn the essential stitches used in sewing projects, including straight stitch, Zig Zag and Hemming. Practice techniques on sample fabrics. Introduction on how to use basic Sewing Patterns.

Week 3: Design a Tote Bag: Design & chose colour/patterned cloth for your Tote Bag. Using a simple sewing pattern cut out Tote Bag.

Week 4: Construct Tote Bag: Put your skills into action! Focusing on finishing techniques like seam finishing and adding embellishments.

Week 5: Constructing & Complete a Tote Bag. Continue working on your Tote Bag and complete your sewing project. Sharing & Reflecting : Showcase your completed projects, share your experiences and take your Tote Bag home!!!

Please contact **Sam Roscoe** in the school office to book a place on this course -

**01752 706360** or [beechwood.desk@discoverymat.co.uk](mailto:beechwood.desk@discoverymat.co.uk)



# Beechwood Primary Academy



## School Admissions 2025

Beechwood Primary Academy will be holding open events for the parents and carers of children who are due to start school in September 2025

Monday 30th September at 2.30pm

Wednesday 2nd October at 10.00am

Thursday 3rd October at 4.00pm

We look forward to welcoming you to our school



Please call or email to arrange your session:-

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## Story Telling Sessions

Experienced storyteller Ginny Jones will be visiting Beechwood to engage the reception class children in storytelling. Parents are invited to join us in the classroom. Please sign in at the school front desk from 1.50pm for a 2pm start. Each session will be about 30 minutes. You can attend any of the sessions you are able to and do not need to attend all if you are not able.

### Story telling sessions



Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 24th October

All starting at 2pm

### Mozart class

## Email Addresses to Remember

**Year 6 - Elgar Class** - k.giles@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Year 6 - Tchaikovsky Class** - d.poole@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Year 4/5 - Bernstein Class** – c.pumphrey@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Year 4/5 - Dun Class** – k.matthews@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Year 4/5 - Holst Class** – j.tumilty@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Year 3 - Lloyd-Webber Class** – i.watson@discoverymat.co.uk or k.rust@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Year 1/2 - Price Class** – c.townsend@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Year 1/2 - Vivaldi Class** – l.gruszka@discoverymat.co.uk or a.carroll@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Year 1/2 - Zimmer Class** – k.gardner@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Rec - Mozart Class** – m.abbott@discoverymat.co.uk or c.mccarthy@discoverymat.co.uk  
**Nursery - Brahms Class** – m.abbott@discoverymat.co.uk or c.mccarthy@discoverymat.co.uk

## Keeping in Touch

Can we please remind parents that the vast majority of contact between school and parents is done by telephone or email. Please could you ensure that we are kept updated with you current contact details to enable us to keep in touch with you when needed.

## Parent Pay

Please activate your parent pay account as this allows us to send Newsletters, trip letters and other important information that we may need to convey to you. Please contact the school office if you need assistance.

## Facebook and Website

Please follow us on our Facebook page at Beechwood Primary Academy.  
Please refer to our school website for latest news and calendar dates.



### BEECHWOOD FAMILY SUPPORT TEAM



 <b>Miss Sam Roscoe</b>	 <b>Mr C Randall</b> Assistant Head of School	 <b>Mrs Natasha Jackson</b> INCO	 <b>Mr P Arnold</b> Senior Head of School	 <b>Mrs S Rama-Dominguez</b> Assistant Head of School	 <b>Mrs Teresa Pinhey</b>
First Contact to signpost parents	Deputy Designated Beechwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding	SEND Support	Designated Beechwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding	Deputy Designated Beechwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding	Community Support
Foodbank	Safeguarding	SEND and behaviour-support for parents	Family Support	Safeguarding	School Life
Courses for Parents / Carers	Behaviour	School Nurse Referrals		Education and Curriculum	Parents Question & Answer
PTFA Contact	Family Crisis	DLA Applications		Family Support	Local Issues
	Service Families	GP letters			Coffee Mornings

You can contact us by emailing [beechwood.desk@discoverymat.co.uk](mailto:beechwood.desk@discoverymat.co.uk) and we will direct your enquiry accordingly.