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Friday 4th October 2024

Hello everyone, I hope you've had a good week, it's been great to see some sunshine!

An interesting start to the week!

As you'll know, on Monday we had a call from Ofsted informing us that Beechwood Primary would be inspected on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. However, due to lack of inspectors availability the inspection had to be deferred. We look forward to welcoming the Ofsted team to Beechwood at some point soon.

Wonderful Writing

This week at Beechwood we have spent time as staff in meetings looking at writing across the school. We have been discussing the writing process and the how the planned unit of work supports the final written outcome for the children.

It was great to see the progress in pupil's presentation, in just 3 weeks, and staff were keen to share some excellent examples of independent writing across the year groups, well done everyone, a great start to the new school year and definitely something to write home about!

Cake and CGP

Thank you to all the Year 6 parents, carers and friends that came along to our CGP and cake meetings on Thursday this week. These CGP books are there to help your child (and you) navigate their way through the wonderful world of maths, reading and Grammar in year 6. Please encourage and support your child to complete the tasks given each week. Thanks again for coming along, it's always great to welcome you into school. Please see pictures overleaf.

Tchaikovsky Assembly

We were treated on Thursday this week to an informative and well voiced assembly by Tchaikovsky class. Amongst other things, we learnt all about compass directions, ordinance survey maps and why Dartmoor is such a special place. All pupils spoke loudly and clearly, showing some wonderful Oracy skills.

Thank you to all that came along to watch and thanks again to Mr Poole, Mrs Vowden-Renwick and Tchaikovsky class.

Thank you everyone, for your continued support, the whole staff team and myself really appreciate it.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Arnold and the Beechwood Team.

Diary Dates to Remember

Tues 8th October - 2.00pm
Rec - Story Telling Sessions

Thurs 10th October
Nasal Flu Vaccination

Tues 15th October - 2.00pm
Rec - Story Telling Sessions

Wed 23rd October
Individual Photographs

Thurs 24th October - 2.00pm
Rec - Story Telling Sessions

Thurs 24th October - 2.45pm
Yr 4/5 Bernstein Assembly

28th October to 1st November
HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Thurs 28th November - 2.45pm
Yr 6 - Elgar Class Assembly

Monday 2nd December
NON PUPIL DAY

Thurs 19th December - 2.45pm
EYFS Nativity Assembly

23rd Dec to 3rd January
CHRISTMAS BREAK

Thurs 16th January - 2.45pm
Yr 4/5 - Dun Class Assembly

Thurs 30th January - 2.45pm
Yr 3 - Lloyd-Webber Assembly

17th Feb to 21st Feb
HALF TERM

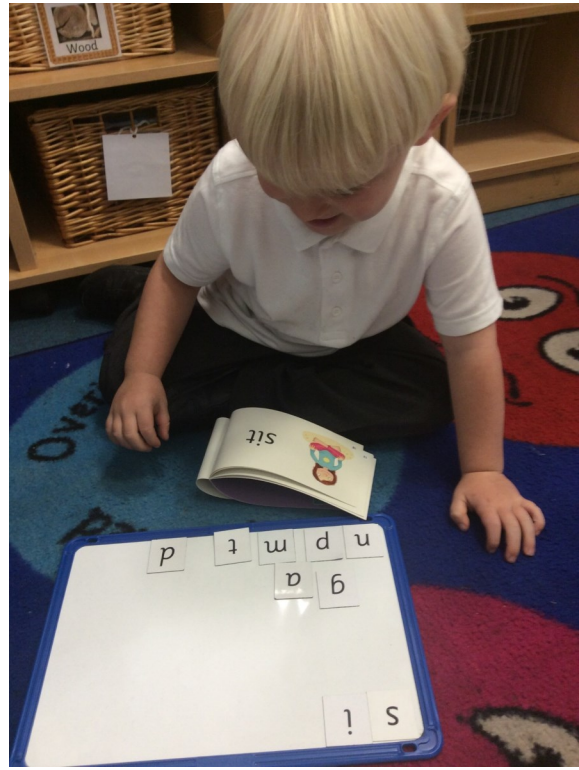
24th Feb - 14th March
Yr 5 Swimming Lessons

CGP and Cake



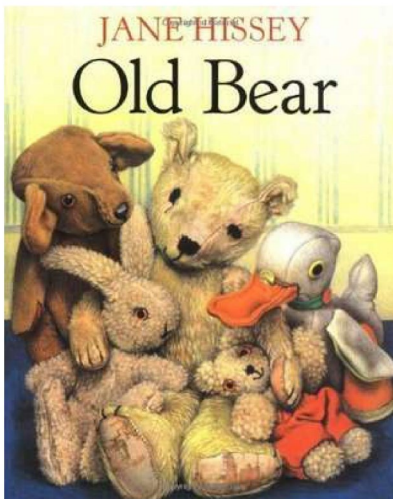
Mozart Class Reading Books

The children in Mozart class have enjoyed having their first reading books to take home. They have been using Fred talk and reading the words on each page. Well done children.



Tuesday Teddy

Please could all children in Year 1/2 bring in their favourite small teddy on Tuesday 8th October.



- We will be using the toys for a drama opportunity in English.
- We will also take photos of every child with their teddy to support with their writing.

Many thanks, Year 1 and 2 Beechwood Team.

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 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 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



Autumn Term 1				
Reception	Year 1 and 2	Year 3	Year 4 and 5	Year 6
Monday Gymnastics 	Tuesday Gymnastics 	Monday Gymnastics 	Tuesday Cricket 	Tuesday Cricket 
	Wednesday Fundamentals (basic skills) 	Tuesday Cricket 	Thursday Gymnastics 	Wednesday Martial Arts 

Secondary School Applications

If your child is in Year 6 and will be starting secondary school in **September 2025** please apply on-line on the Plymouth City Council website.

Admission Closing Date :
31st October 2024



Remembrance Day Lunch

Thursday 7th November 2024

Parents and carers are invited to join us for a Remembrance Day Lunch to remember the service and sacrifice of all those that have defended our freedoms and protected our way of life.

You will have the opportunity to eat with your children to remember this occasion.



To secure your place, please pay for your lunch on Parent Pay by **21st October 2024**. Lunch will take place between 11.30am and 1.00pm.

Children's lunches to be paid via the normal method if your child is not entitled to Free School Meals.

Harvest Donations

We would like to say a massive thank you to our parents / carers for donating to our Harvest collection. All of your kind donations will be passed to Devon and Cornwall Food Action Trust and help struggling families in the community.



Story telling sessions



Tuesday 24th September

Tuesday 8th October

Tuesday 15th October

Thursday 24th October

All starting at 2pm

Mozart class

Sheena

It was with great sadness that all us staff at Beechwood wish a fond farewell to Sheena Paskin. Sheena has worked with us here at Beechwood for an amazing 14 years!

In that time Sheena has helped, supported and cared for hundreds of children during lunchtimes at Beechwood Primary.

Thank you Sheena, for everything. We wish you well for the future and look forward to you coming back to see us all soon.

Mr Arnold and the Beechwood Team



Derriford Church

Kids Club

For ages 4 to 11

PILOTS

Every first Friday of the month
3.45 - 5.30pm

Activities:

- Arts & Craft
- Games
- Bible Stories
- Food

@ Derriford Church
Powisland Drive
Plymouth, PL6 6AB

Come along to our open evening on **Friday 4th October!**

£1 per family

and the following dates:
1st November 2024
6th December 2024
3rd January 2025

Family members are welcome to join us for food at 5pm

visit us online at:
www.derrifordchurch.co.uk

Free School Meals

You may be entitled to apply for Free School Meals for your child/ren if you receive the following benefits:-

- Universal Credit, Income Support
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance,
- Income Related Element of Employment and Support Allowance,
- Guaranteed Credit element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (without Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of £16,190 or less.

We would urge parents who may be eligible for Free School Meals for the children to either apply on-line through the Plymouth City Council website or contact the school office for a form as soon as possible. This is very important, even if your child does not wish to take up the free meal. The register of FSM entitlement affects our overall school budget and we may be missing out on funding as a result.

Please do not confuse this with Universal Free School Meal entitlement for children in Years Reception to Year Two.



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

PLYMOUTH ACTIVE

KIDS Holiday CLUB

AGES 8-12

JOIN THE FUN AT OUR HOLIDAY CLUB
ADVENTURE AWAITS!

ONLY **£30** PER DAY

SWIMMING | SPORTS | ARTS & CRAFTS

FEBRUARY, MAY AND OCTOBER HALF TERMS, EASTER & SUMMER!

PLYMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

BOOK TODAY AT GETACTIVE@PLYMOUTHACTIVE.CO.UK

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



 Miss Sam Roscoe	 Mr C Randall Assistant Head of School	 Mrs Natasha Jackson INCO	 Mr P Arnold Senior Head of School	 Mrs S Rama-Dominguez Assistant Head of School	 Mrs Teresa Pinhey
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 and we will direct your enquiry accordingly.