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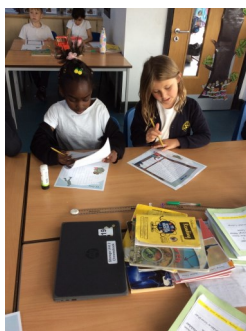
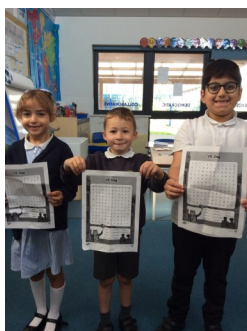
Friday 9th May 2025

Hello everyone, I hope you were able to enjoy the bank holiday weekend. Although we have been at school for four days rather than five, we have managed to squeeze five days worth of learning into this shortened week. Year 6 continue to work exceptionally hard in preparation for their SATS assessments next week, well done to you all for your efforts, good luck next week!

VE Day

Mrs Rust conducted a VE Day assembly earlier this week. The children then took part in activities and learning in their classrooms to further their understanding of this significant day.

Unfortunately due to the school kitchen still being out of action, we were unable to provide the V.E. day biscuits. However, when the kitchen is back up and running, we will ensure that the children receive their V.E. day treats.



Please see more photographs on our Facebook page.

Have a great weekend everyone, Mr Arnold and the Beechwood Team.

Diary Dates to Remember

Sun 11th May
Half Marathon Challenge

12th - 15th May
Yr 6 SATS Week

26th May to 30th May
HALF TERM

2nd - 6th June
Yr4 Multiplication TT Checks

Tues 3rd June
Yr 1/2 Aquarium Trip

Tues 3rd June - 3.30pm
London Parent Meeting

Thurs 5th June
Yr 1/2 Aquarium Trip

9th - 12th June
Rec - Bikeability Balance
Yr 6 - Bikeability

9th - 13th June
Yr1 Phonics Screening Checks

Tues 10th June - 2.15pm
EYFS Sports Day

Fri 13th June - 10.00am
Yrs 1 to 6 Sports Day

Thurs 12th June - 2.45pm
Yr 1/2 - Zimmer Assembly

Thurs 18th & Fri 19th June
Yr 4/5 - Plymbridge Woods

Mon 23rd June
Yr5/ 6 - Women in Engineering

Wed 25th - Thurs 26th June
Yr 6 - London Trip



Wellbeing Through Crafting
FREE PARENTING COURSE
Silk Screen Printing
Wednesday 30th April
until
Wednesday 4th June
12.30pm until 3.30pm
Course Code : WL09E321
Come along and learn the basics of
silk screen printing

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

01752 706360 or beechwood.desk@discoverymat.co.uk



For ages 4 to 11

Derriford Church

Kids Club

£1 per family

Come along on:
Friday 2nd May
Friday 6th June
3.45 - 5.30pm

@ Derriford Church
Powisland Drive
Plymouth, PL6 6AB

- Arts & Craft
- Games
- Bible Stories
- Food

Join us for even more fun at our Easter Craft Service on Sunday 13th April at 10.30am

Family members are welcome to join us! Refreshments provided

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Sports Day

This year, EYFS and Foundation will have their Sports Afternoon on **Tuesday 10th June at 2.15-3.15pm.**

Sports Day for Years 1-6 will be held on **Friday 13th June at 10am-Midday.** Like last year, this will be followed by a picnic on the field until 12:50pm. If you have a child in Nursery or Reception, they will be able to join you on the field for lunch.

Further information about Sports Week will be released shortly once the final events have been confirmed.



Rec - Bikeability Balance

Reception will be undertaking their Bikeability Balance training on 9th-12th June 2025.

A letter has been sent home this week with further information.

To ensure your child can participate, please follow the below link to give consent. Bikes will be provided.

<https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/has-rest-field>



Year 6 - Bikeability

Year 6 will be undertaking their Bikeability training from 9th-12th June 2025.

A letter will be coming home this week with further information.

To ensure your child can take part, please follow the below link and complete the consent form. If your child does not have a bike, this can be provided.

<https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/sec-cause-lead>



Parenting Course

Please see below details of a **FREE** four week course we are hoping to hold for our parents/carers after the May half term starting **Thursday 12th June**. Please contact the school office if you would be interested in attending - **01752 706360** or beechwood.desk@discoverymat.co.uk.

Courses can only be held if we have a certain amount of interest. Thank you.



FREE ENGLISH WORKSHOP SESSIONS FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 11 AND TEACHING ASSISTANTS

Four two-hour, school-based workshop sessions, led by Sarah Ridgwell, an experienced Primary School teacher, you can:

- Refresh your own English skills
- Explore practical tips and fun activities to support your child's learning in all aspects of English at home
- Gain an insight into the school curriculum, teaching methods and current terminology used within the classroom
- Gain a clear understanding of how children progress in English and learn strategies to support them to build confidence
- Relate English learning to everyday life and real-world uses
- Opportunity to seek further English training / qualifications.

For more information:

Schools - email sarah.ridgwell@ocsw.co.uk

Parents/Carers - Contact your child's school

Other adult courses - Call OCSW 01752 660713



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Year 1/2 - Visitor Information

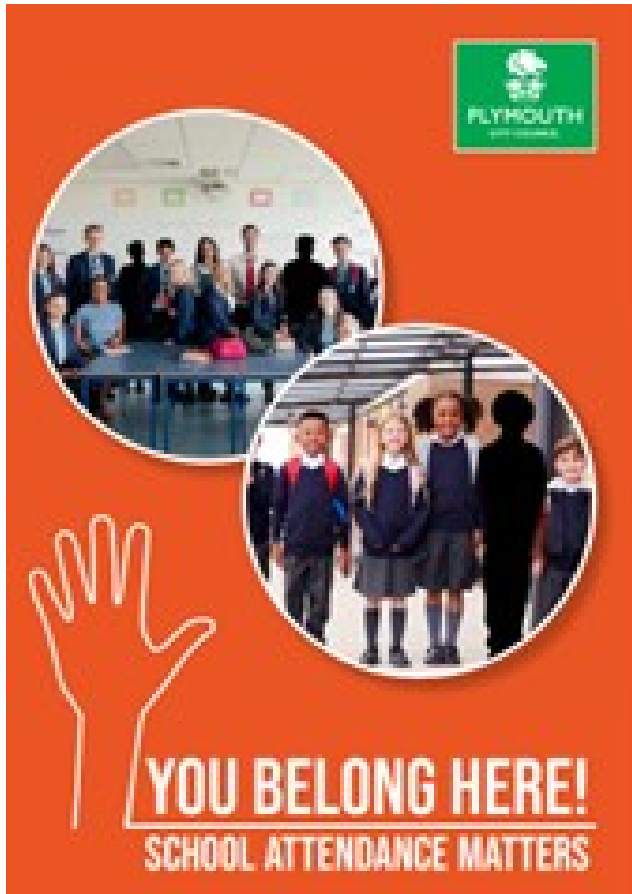


7 Summits – Is an autobiography about me. It's about my upbringing and education living in Cornwall. The history of the mountains I have climbed as well as my experiences of climbing them. It concludes by talking about what we are doing to our planet worldwide and closer to home. The book is designed to be motivational and inspirational in whatever we may wish to do or desire. Or the alternative is just an avid read to a regular reader. Price £13.

Toby Goes Extreme In Antarctica – Is designed for the younger reader both educational, environmental and the work of fiction. It is based on a young boy living in Cornwall who has the opportunity of going to Antarctica and going on some adventures. As well as a story to follow there are plenty of my own images alongside the text making it easier to follow and relate. Price £9.

For more information, please go to

www.facebook.com/Onecornishman



Did you know?

When children attend school they:

- Can achieve their potential
- Have better career prospects
- Learn how to look after themselves and be healthy
- Grow in confidence
- Keep up with work and homework
- Make new friends

There are
365 days
in a calendar
year

175 days
are not
spent in
school



Attendance

As you are aware, we are continuing to strive for our attendance target of **96%** and are making some progress to achieving this and ensuring our children regularly attend school to achieve success. Our Attendance Policy can be accessed using the following link:-

[Beechwood Primary Academy - Policies](#)

A gentle reminder to parents, that contact **must** be made with school on your child's first day of absence and each day until they return to school. If you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and could result in a penalty notice being issued by Plymouth City Council. Arriving late for school after 8.55am will also be recorded as an unauthorised absence and could also result in a fine.

Class	w/c 9th May
Mozart	97.73%
 Price	98.08%
Vivaldi	92.50%
Zimmer	89.0%
Lloyd-Webber	91.67%
Holst	91.20%
Bernstein	87.50%
Dun	93.75%
Elgar	84.0%
 Tchaikovsky	95.50%

This week our whole school attendance is **92.23%**

This week's winners are :

KS1 - Price Class

KS2 - Tchaikovsky Class



2024-2025 Term Dates

TERM DATES 2024/25

DISCOVERY

Teaching days (statutory)	190
Professional development days	5
Occasional days	5
Sub-total	200
School holidays	52
Bank holidays	8
Saturdays and Sundays	105
Total	365

Term	Start	End	Days
1	03-Sep-24	25-Oct-24	39
2	04-Nov-24	20-Dec-24	35
3	06-Jan-25	14-Feb-25	30
4	24-Feb-25	04-Apr-25	30
5	22-Apr-25	23-May-25	23
6	02-Jun-25	23-Jul-25	38
Total			195

	SEPTEMBER
Monday	2 9 16 23 30
Tuesday	3 10 17 24
Wednesday	4 11 18 25
Thursday	5 12 19 26
Friday	6 13 20 27

	OCTOBER
	7 14 21 28
1	8 15 22 29
2	9 16 23 30
3	10 17 24 31
4	11 18 25

	NOVEMBER
	4 11 18 25
	5 12 19 26
	6 13 20 27
	7 14 21 28
1	8 15 22 29

	DECEMBER
2	9 16 23 30
3	10 17 24 31
4	11 18 25
5	12 19 26
6	13 20 27

	JANUARY
Monday	6 13 20 27
Tuesday	7 14 21 28
Wednesday	1 8 15 22 29
Thursday	2 9 16 23 30
Friday	3 10 17 24 31

	FEBRUARY
3	10 17 24
4	11 18 25
5	12 19 26
6	13 20 27
7	14 21 28

	MARCH
3	10 17 24 31
4	11 18 25
5	12 19 26
6	13 20 27
7	14 21 28

	APRIL
	7 14 21 28
1	8 15 22 29
2	9 16 23 30
3	10 17 24
4	11 18 25











	MAY
Monday	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	7 14 21 28
Thursday	1 8 15 22 29
Friday	2 9 16 23 30

	JUNE
2	9 16 23 30
3	10 17 24
4	11 18 25
5	12 19 26
6	13 20 27

	JULY
	7 14 21 28
1	8 15 22 29
2	9 16 23 30
3	10 17 24 31
4	11 18 25

	AUGUST
	4 11 18 25
	5 12 19 26
	6 13 20 27
	7 14 21 28
1	8 15 22 29

P.E. Days - Summer Term 1

Summer Term 1				
Reception	Year 1 and 2	Year 3	Year 4 and 5	Year 6
Wednesday Martial Arts 	Tuesday Athletics 	Wednesday Rounders 	Tuesday- Dun Class Wednesday- Holst and Bernstein Rounders 	Monday Rounders 
	Monday Zimmer and Vivaldi- Dance  Wednesday Price- Martial Arts 	Thursday Athletics 	Thursday- Bernstein and Holst Wednesday- Dun Class Athletics 	Thursday Athletics 

Assembly Dates

Thursday 8th May - 2.45pm

Thursday 12th June - 2.45pm

Thursday 3rd July - 2.45pm

Year 1/2 - Vivaldi Class Assembly

Year 1/2 - Zimmer Class Assembly

Year R - Mozart Class Assembly



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 – s.pindard@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 – c.mccarthy@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 1/2 - Zimmer Class – k.gardner@discoverymat.co.uk

Rec - Mozart Class – m.abbott@discoverymat.co.uk or l.gruszka@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 your 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.