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Friday 13th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of this half term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on what has been another busy and productive few weeks in school.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended our recent parent meetings. It was a valuable opportunity to share your child's progress and celebrate their achievements. We greatly appreciate your continued support and partnership in your child's learning.

In our recent assembly, we focused on the progress that has been made in handwriting and presentation across the school. It was fantastic to share examples of pupils' work and to celebrate the improvements being made. The pride children are taking in their presentation is clear to see and we are very proud of their continued effort and progress.

We would also like to say a big thank you to Mr Conway for teaching Dockyard Class. As he prepares to leave us, we thank him for his hard work and contribution to the school. We wish him every success in his next chapter. After half term, the class will be taught by Miss Verhoest and Miss Walling - we look forward to them joining the team.

Looking ahead, we are excited about the events and activities planned for next term and can't wait to share these experiences with the children and the wider school community.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We wish you all a happy and restful half term break.

Mrs Rama-Dominguez and the Beechwood Team

Diary Dates to Remember

16th Feb to 20th Feb
HALF TERM

w/c 23rd Feb / 2nd & 9th March
Year 5 Swimming Lessons

Wednesday 4th March
Yr 3 Trip to Porsham Farm

Thursday 5th March
World Book Day

Fri 13th March
NON-PUPIL DAY

Mon 16th to Fri 20th March
Yr 4 - Nethercott Farm Trip

Tuesday 24th March
Year 3 Trip to Aldi

Thursday 26th March
P.T.F.A. Spring Disco

Fri 27th March - 9.30am
Rock Steady Concert

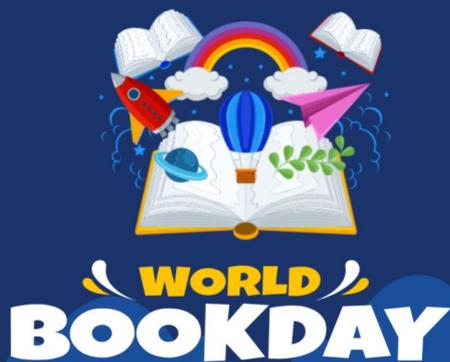
Tues 31st March
Class Photographs

3rd April to 17th April
EASTER BREAK

Mon 27th to Wed 29th April
Yr 5 - Barton Hall Trip

Mon 4th May
BANK HOLIDAY

Beechwood Primary Academy



WORLD BOOKDAY

Thursday 5th March

To help celebrate World Book Day, children may come to school dressed in their PYJAMAS (no donation required) and also bring in their favourite bedtime book.



'Booked Potato' Competition

Please bring in your potato decorated as a book character by Wednesday 4th March



Fabric Flower Making at Beechwood Primary Academy

New FREE Course open to all parents/carers & grandparents of Beechwood and Oakwood Primary Academies

Learn how to make beautiful flowers in felt fabrics with easy & fun techniques.

Make new friends.

Free Tea, Coffee, and biscuits

Course is led by Lu Firth from On Course Southwest.

Where : Beechwood Primary School

When : every Wednesday at 12.30pm to 3.30pm

If you would like any further information please contact

Beechwood Primary School on 01752 706360



P.E. Days- Spring Term 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Saltram (Y3) Indoors	Mayflower (Y2) Indoors	Firestone (Y1/2) Outdoors	Firestone (Y1/2) Indoors
Mayflower (Y2) Outdoors	Mnt Edgcumbe (Y4) Outdoors	Saltram (Y3) Outdoors	Raleigh (Y6) Outdoors
Mount Batten (Y3) Indoors	Burrator (Y5/6) Indoors	Mount Batten (Y3) Outdoors	Burrator (Y5/6) Outdoors
	Raleigh (Y6) Indoors		Mt Edgcumbe (Y4) Indoors
	Dockyard (Y5) Outdoors		

Children may come to school dressed in their P.E. kits if they have P.E. that day.

PE uniform at Beechwood Primary is:

White T shirt – polo or otherwise / Black shorts or jogging bottoms / Trainers
A school jumper can be worn over your PE top if you wish.



ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



ATTENDANCE WORKS

Did you know?

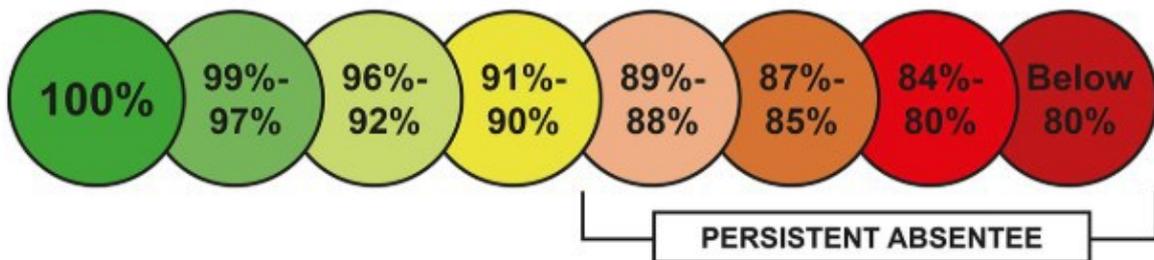
When children attend school they:

- 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



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

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 9.05am will also be recorded as an unauthorised absence and could also result in a fine.

Class	w/c 9th February
Smeaton	85.82%
Firestone	92.73%
 Mayflower	93.45%
 Saltram	96.67%
Mount Batten	90.91%
Mt Edgcumbe	88.21%
Dockyard	85.83%
Burrator	89.55%
Raleigh	84.33%

This week our whole school attendance is **89.74%**

This week's winners are :

KS1 - Mayflower Class

KS2 - Saltram Class



Email Addresses to Remember

Year 6 - Raleigh Class - d.poole@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 5/6 - Burrator Class - k.giles@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 5 - Dockyard Class – bwtstteacher2@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 4 - Mt Edgcumbe – e.campbell@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 3 - Mount Batten Class – k.kombostiotis@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 3 - Saltram Class – c.pumphrey@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 2 - Mayflower Class – k.gardner@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 1/2 - Firestone Class – c.mccarthy@discoverymat.co.uk
Rec - Smeaton Class – l.gruszka@discoverymat.co.uk
Nursery - Wembury Class – l.gruszka@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.

TERM DATES 2025/26



Teaching days (statutory)	190
BWD and OAK INSET Days	2
Professional development days	5
Occasional days	5
Sub-total	200
School holidays	53
Bank holidays	8
Saturdays and Sundays	104
Total	365

Term	Start	End	Days
1	03-Sep-25	24-Oct-25	39
2	03-Nov-25	19-Dec-25	35
3	05-Jan-26	13-Feb-26	30
4	23-Feb-26	02-Apr-26	30
5	20-Apr-26	22-May-26	23
6	01-Jun-26	23-Jul-26	38
Total			195

SEPTEMBER					
Monday	1	8	15	22	29
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30
Wednesday	3	10	17	24	
Thursday	4	11	18	25	
Friday	5	12	19	26	

OCTOBER				
	6	13	20	27
	7	14	21	28
1	8	15	22	29
2	9	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	31

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

DECEMBER					
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24	31	
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		

JANUARY					
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

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

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

APRIL					
	6	13	20	27	
	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24		

MAY					
Monday		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		6	13	20	27
Thursday		7	14	21	28
Friday	1	8	15	22	29

JUNE				
1	8	15	22	29
2	9	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	
4	11	18	25	
5	12	19	26	

JULY				
	6	13	20	27
	7	14	21	28
1	8	15	22	29
2	9	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	31

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