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#### **Thursday 28th March 2024**



Hello everyone ,we find ourselves at the end of another term

As you will have seen from the numerus face book posts, emails and pictures on this newsletter your children have had a very busy past couple of weeks!

This has been a hugely positive term for the school for a whole host of reasons and we wanted to thank you all for your support, feedback and positivity.

Everyone at Beechwood wishes you and your family a 'cracking' easter break, have an 'eggcellent' time and we will see you all back at Beechwood on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

Take care, Mr Arnold and the Beechwood Team.

Paul Arnold Senior Head of School Beechwood Primary Academy

# Diary Dates to Remember

Fri 29th March - Fri12th April Easter Holidays

Weds April 24th
2nd Flouride Varnish Rec/yr1

Weds 24th April
Year 5 Joint Assembly 2.50pm

Thursday 25th April House Day

Monday 6th May
Bank Holiday-SCHOOL
CLOSED

Thurs 9th May Yr 4 Joint Assembly 2.50pm

Thurs 23rd April
Year 3 Joint Assembly

Monday May 27th-2nd June
HALF TERM

Tues 11th, Weds 12th and Thurs 13th June Years 2 Aquarium Trip

Thurs 20th June
Yr1 Joint assembly



#### **CHANGE4LIFE FESTIVAL**

Well done to some of our Year 3 and 4 pupils who attended the KS2 Change4Life festival and Marjons on Monday. They took part in several activities to develop confidence and teamwork, and represented the school brilliantly!













#### **ABOVE BOUNDS THEATRE GROUP**

A big thank you to Above Bounds who, this morning, performed a fantastic show to the whole school. They educated us about some of the fascinating and beautiful creatures that can be found on the South West Coast Path.













# BEECHWOOD FAMILY SUPPORT TEAM





Miss Sam Roscoe

signpost parents First Contact to

Deputy Designated Beechwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding

SEND Support





Assistant Head of School Mr C Randall



Mrs Natasha Jackson INCO





Mr P Arnold Senior Head of School





Mrs S Rama-Dominguez Assistant Head of School



Mrs Teresa Pinhey

SEND and behaviour-support for parents Family Support

Courses for Parents / Carers

Behaviour

School Nurse Referrals

Foodbank

Safeguarding

**PTFA Contact** 

Service Families

**DLA Applications** 

**Family Crisis** 

Beechwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding

Designated

Deputy Designated Beechwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding

Community Support

Safeguarding

School Life

Parents Question &

Answer

**Family Support** 

Education and Curriculum

Local Issues

**Coffee Mornings** 

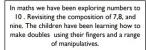
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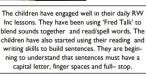
#### Reception 'Things that Grow

Spring 2 Term Summary











This term, the Reception children have been immersed in an exciting journey of discovery centred around the wonders of nature. Delving into the fascinating world of botam, they have been learning about the essential elements necessary for plant growth, exploring concepts such as sunlight, water, soil, and air. Through hands-on activities and engaging experiments, they have deconstructed plants, examining each component with curiosity and awe, while confidently naming the various parts. Additionally, they have embarked on a captivating exploration of the life cycle of a butterfly, marvelling at the miraculous transformations from egg to caterpillar, chrysalis, and finally, majestic butterfly. Through these enriching experiences, the children have not only gained valuable knowledge but have also cultichildren have not only gained valuable knowledge but have also cultivated a deep appreciation for the natural world around them.



We have read lots of books linked to our topic 'Things That Grow' theme. Jack and the Beanstalk was very popular with the children. They made their own beanstalks and castles using the construction toys and maths equipment.



At the beginning of the term the children explored what cress seeds need to grow, The children set up an experiment. One pot without sunlight another pot received no water and one pot had water and sunlight. The children predicted which pot they thought would grow







Bolt and Muir class really enjoyed world book day this term. We loved dressing up and having Mr Arnold come and read us a











In art we have been creating our own collages of the local area in the style of artist Henri Mattise.

Bolt and Muir classes have enjoyed science this term. The children have been investigating plants, trees and their different parts. We loved





This term the Year 1 children have enjoyed learning all about our local area this term! We have enjoyed learning how to read maps and loved creating our own after observing



In English, we have been busy learning about the story 'Small in the City' We have been discussing what it would be like to go on a huge adventure when we're so young! We have even written our









In PSHE we have been learning about what we can do with money and where money comes from. We now know that we earn money from having a job and that it can be a good idea to save

















Year 2 Term 4 **UK** climate



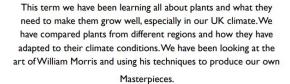


















#### **INDOOR ROWING FESTIVAL**

Well done to our Year 6 Indoor Rowing team who competed at the Life Centre yesterday. They displayed fantastic teamwork and determination and encouraged each other to do their best!

A special shout out to Eloise who placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Intermediate School Girls Individual Race. All of the pupils represented the school brilliantly and made us proud.















The children appeared to enjoy science this term. During our lessons, we have learned to classify animals and their habitats using a key. The children also enjoyed House Day— they learned about scientists, completed experiments and enjoyed roleplaying with laboratory coats and goggles. They particularly loved creating pendulums and recording the amount times with their partner.





We have used a range of resources to help us understand 'Aboriginal Art' and researched famous artists such as Clifford Possum Tjapaltjarri and his lovely paintings.

The children then explored mixing colours and practising stippling to create their own art.







#### Year 4

#### Spring two.







To celebrate Wellbeing and Mental Health, the children have studied 'The Boy, the Fox, the Mole and the

brate difference. Great pictures, and listening throughout.

Horse. This taught them about kindness and the importance of cele-



Practising times tables has helped the children succeed.

lent fractions.



In Science we have explored materials. We investigated reversible and irreversible reactions and tested to see whether or not items are soluble.



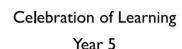






In maths, we have been exploring fractions and decimals. We have used manipulatives to help support our learning.





This term we have learnt all about climate change and how our planet is changing. We have explored the effects of global warming and what we could do to help with this!











We enjoyed swimming everyday for the first 3 weeks of term. We learnt some incredible life skills and found out more about water safety!



#### Wedofootball

#### **Easter Holiday Coaching Club**

Stoke Damerel Community College

Week 1

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April, Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> & Friday 5<sup>th</sup>

Neek 2

Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th, Thursday 11th & Friday 12th

Plymstock School

Friday 12th April

Ages 5 to 15

£10 per day (numbers are limited and early drop off from 9.15am no additional cost)

Maximum fun, with no pressure and a safe learning environment with Qualified Coaches.







### **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

Pinhey

Email:

t.pinhey@discoverymat.co.uk

When:

**Every Friday** 

Time:

8.45 till 10.00

Where:

Beechwood Primary



#### Our Holiday Camps near you...

Venue:

Dates:

Times:

Price:

Ages:

Additional Info:

#### Taking every precaution

Our Activity Professionals have been undergoing additional training in order to provide the best care to the children under their supervision, specifically the Transcend Level 2 Award in Infection Prevention, Mitigation and Management.

#### They will need

- A packed lunch
- Plenty of wa
- Suitable clothing for the weath
- Loads of energy!

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#### ABSENCE REQUEST

ALL absences require either proof of medical evidence or a completed Absence Request Form.

Please complete in advance of any absence to allow authorisation from the Head of School.

It is preferred that medical appointments are taken out of school hours, but appreciate sometimes this may prove difficult.

Thank you.



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





#### **KEEPING IN TOUCH**

Can we just remind you, as 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.

#### **PARENTPAY**

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.

#### **Email Addresses to Remember**

Year 6 - Mo Farah - k.giles@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 6 - Sky Brown - k.rust@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 5 - Nicola Adams - c.pumphrey@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 5 - Dina Asha-Smith - k.matthews@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 4 - Ben Ainslie - d.poole@discoverymat.co.uk

<u>Year 4 - Ellie Simmonds</u> – j.tumilty@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 3 - Max Whitlock - c.townsend@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 3 - Charlotte Dujardin - i.watson@discoverymat.co.uk or l.field@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 2 - Kelly Holmes – c.mccarthy@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 1 - Laura Muir – s.pindard@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 1 - Usain Bolt - m.abbott@discoverymat.co.uk or a.blakeston@discoverymat.co.uk

Rec - Jill Scott - k.gardner@discoverymat.co.uk

Rec - Tom Daley - s.reed@discoverymat.co.uk or j.gooding@discoverymat.co.uk

# **Well-being Through**



**Crafting Course** 



FREE 6 week course - Spring Garlands



Please contact Sam Roscoe on 01752 706360

or

beechwood.desk@discoverymat. co.uk to book your place on this course



## Where:

**Beechwood Primary** 

When:

Wed 17th April (6 wks)

Time:

1.00pm till 3.00pm





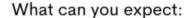
# EASTER MULTIACTIVITY CAMP

Fully Funded for those on free school meal related benefits

Join us this Easter for Pro-Coachings multi-activity camp! Dive into a world of sports excitement while enjoying the added bonus of creative crafting, including bracelet making.

Join us for a sport-centric adventure with a sprinkle of crafty fun this Easter holiday





- Dedicated craft station
- Mutritional Lunch

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Times: 9 - 3pm Age: 5-13 Years Lunch and nutritional snack included

Use code EASTHAF24 and either use QR code or head to

www.pro-coaching.co.uk

For more information contact us at info@pro-coaching.co.uk





# Southway's Spring Table Top Sale



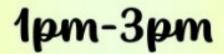


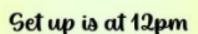
FREE ENTRY

Refreshments available



# Saturday 13th April





The Church of The Holy Spirit, PL6 6EG

Lots of goodies available !!

For more information or to book a table at £5, Please contact Veronica on 07855 256383

In aid of the Southway Defibrillator Fund.