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Friday 6th December 2024

Hello everyone hope you've had a good week.

Parent Forum

Thank you to all those parents that came along on Thursday to discuss school related matters. We discuss the recent Ofsted report and our priorities for the coming year. I will hold another parent forum next term - date to be confirmed.

It has been another busy week at Beechwood with Year 4/5 visiting the planetarium in our school hall. Please see pictures on our Facebook page and below. In addition to this, Year 3 took the opportunity to visit the National Marine Aquarium as part of a project we are involved with regarding our local environment. Pictures to follow next week.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mr Arnold and the Beechwood team.

Diary Dates to Remember

Monday 9th December
EYFS Walk to local forest

Tuesday 10th December
Yr 1/2 Bridge Building - 2.45

Wednesday 11th December
PTFA Christmas Fayre

Wed 18th December - 2.45pm
EYFS Nativity Assembly

Thur 19th December
**Christmas Jumper Day
Christmas Lunch**

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

Thurs 27th Feb - 2.45pm
Yr 1/2 - Price Class Assembly

Thurs 20th March - 2.45pm
Yr 4/5 - Holst Class Assembly

Tuesday 1st April
PTFA - KS1/KS2 Easter Disco

7th April to 21st April
EASTER BREAK

Monday 5th May
MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY

Wonder Dome

On Wednesday, Year 4 and 5 had a brilliant time being visited by the Wonder Dome. They learned about all the different planets, their moons and how they were made; the Milky Way and the universe; the Aurora Borealis; the Sun and stars, and SO MUCH MORE! They also had the opportunity to ask our visiting astronomer lots of questions about space.



Please see more photographs on our Facebook page.

Christmas Crafts

Thank you to our parents who came along to the Christmas Crafting parenting group this week. They spent the afternoon creating some wonderful Christmas decorations.



'Shine, Star, Shine'



EYFS Nativity Performance

Wednesday 18th December

at 2.45pm

Please return the ticket request slips to your class teacher By Monday 9th December (max 3 per family)



Primary School Admissions

Is your child due to start school in September 2025?

Please be reminded that applications for Primary School Admission places are now open.

Applications need to be made by **Wednesday 15th January 2025**.

Please see the link below:-

[School admissions | PLYMOUTH.GOV.UK](https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/school-admissions)

Important Information

For ages 4 to 11

Derriford Church



Kids Club

Come along on:
Friday 6th December
Friday 10th January

£1 per family

3.45 - 5.30pm

@ Derriford Church
Powisland Drive
Plymouth, PL6 6AB

- Arts & Craft
- Games
- Bible Stories
- Food

Family members are welcome to join us!
Refreshments provided

Join us for even more fun at our
**Nativity Craft Service on
Sunday 15th December**

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JINGLE BELLS...

..JINGLE ALL THE WAY TO CHRISTMAS LUNCH!



ROAST TURKEY AND CHIPOLATA
SAUSAGE, QUORN FILLET OR CARROT AND
CRANBERRY PARCEL SERVED WITH
SEASONAL VEGETABLES, ROAST POTATOES
AND GRAVY

ON
**Thursday 19th
December**

CHOCOLATE 'KRISP-MAS' PUDDINGS
CHRISTMAS CUSTARD BISCUITS
RUDOLF MUFFINS
CHRISTMAS CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM ROLL

Christmas jumper Day

On **Thursday 19th December** pupils at Beechwood will be able to put on their warmest, wackiest and most wonderful festive woollies for Christmas Jumper Day.

Children will be joining millions of people in schools, offices and homes up and down the country as they don their festive knits for the day and donate £1, or whatever they can give.

All monies raised will be donated to 'Save the Children'.



Come along to the
P.T.F.A. Christmas Fayre

**Wednesday 11th December
3.30pm**

**Winter Market
Food / Gift Stalls
Refreshments**

Thank you to
all our parents /
carers who
donated blue and white
items for mufti day today

TERM DATES 2024/25



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					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER					DECEMBER				
Monday	2	9	16	23	30	1	8	15	22	29	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30
Tuesday	3	10	17	24		2	9	16	23	30	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31
Wednesday	4	11	18	25		3	10	17	24	31	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	
Thursday	5	12	19	26		4	11	18	25		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	
Friday	6	13	20	27		5	12	19	26		1	8	15	22	6	13	20	27	

JANUARY					FEBRUARY					MARCH					APRIL					
Monday		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28
Tuesday		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
Wednesday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30
Thursday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	
Friday	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	

MAY					JUNE					JULY					AUGUST					
Monday		5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27
Thursday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28
Friday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29

Autumn Term 2

Reception	Year 1 and 2	Year 3	Year 4 and 5	Year 6
Monday Dance 	Monday Netball skills 	Monday Gymnastics 	Wednesday Martial Arts (Bernstein and Holst) Gymnastics (Dun) 	Tuesday Netball
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Assembly Dates

Wednesday 18th 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

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



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 – c.mccarthy@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.