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Friday 5th July 2024

Hello everyone, it's the end of the week again, time is really flying by at the moment!

As you can see from the numerous pictures in this week's newsletter we've had another busy Beechwood week.

One of this week's highlights has been the Trust concert in which pupils from all 3 Discovery Trust schools came to together here at Beechwood to sing songs from a variety of musicals and recite poetry. Thank you to Miss Pumphrey and the wonderful year 5 pupils who sung so superbly!

Our year 6 pupils all returned from London last week in the early hours of Friday morning. Having caught up with a few of those that went it sounds like they had a great time. Huge thanks to Mrs Rust, Miss Jackson and Miss Giles for giving their time and energies so readily to ensure that the children could enjoy this amazing experience.

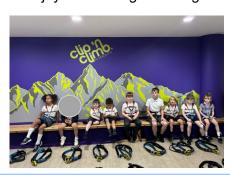
As we head towards the end of term, we understand that this can be an unsettling time for some of our pupils (and parents). Please be assured that in the coming weeks we are working hard to give all our pupils the best possible transition to their new classes ready for September. As always, if you have any questions, queries or concerns please feel free to get in touch.

Have a great weekend and we look forward to seeing you all back at Beechwood on Monday.

Paul Arnold - Senior Head of School

MKC Heroes Trip

Our MKC Heroes (service children) had a fantastic trip to Clip 'n' Climb this week and enjoyed reaching new heights.





Diary Dates to Remember

<u>Tuesday 9th July</u> Year 6 - Mount Edgecumbe

<u>Friday 12th July</u> Class Swaps New Starters Visit (AM)

Tuesday 16th July Summer Fayre 3.30-5.00pm

Weds 17th July
Yr6 Leavers assembly –1.30PM
for parents

Thursday 18th July
Rec/Nursery Joint Assembly
2.50pm

Thursday 18th July Yr 6 Leavers Disco 4.30pm-6.30pm

Tuesday 23rd July Last Day of Term

Tues 3rd & Wed 4th September
NON PUPIL DAY

Thursday 5th September First Day back for pupils

Year 6 London Visit

Some Year 6 children have recently enjoyed their residential in London. The London Eye enabled them to have a birds eye view of many of the monuments, especially Big Ben, The Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace. They thoroughly enjoyed visiting the Tower of London. Overall they have made memories they will never forget.





















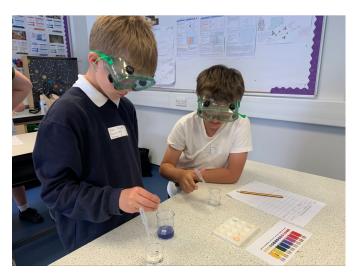




Year 5 Lead Learners Day

Year 5 had an incredible day at Sir John Hunt for Lead Learners day. We enjoyed finding out more about secondary school and completing lots of exciting activities with the teachers and Year 10 pupils.

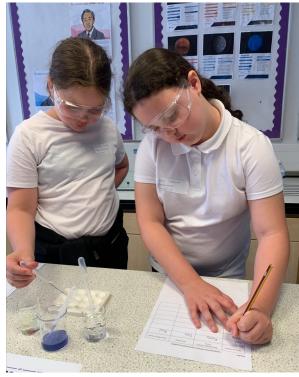
Mr Arnold would like to say well done to Year 5 who represented the school brilliantly, demonstrating Ready, Respectful and Safe choices the whole time!













Year 5 Plymbridge Woods

A busy day for Year 5 on Tuesday.! All of the children showed brilliant teamwork, communication and problem-solving skills and we will use what we now know about our temperate forests to compare to the Amazon later on in our learning.

The children took part in team building, collecting water using a pulley system, drawing each layer of the forest, rounders match, shelter building, tree type scavenger hunt and watercolour paintings.





















Class Swaps

Letters have gone home this evening informing you of your child's new Class and Teacher in September 2024.

On the morning of Friday 12th July, please drop your child off at their new POD, where they will spend part of the morning in their new classroom with their new teacher.

Please collect your child from their current pod door as 12.50pm as usual.





Dinner and Breakfast Accounts

Please ensure that your dinner and breakfast club accounts are cleared before the end of term. This is important before the school breaks up for the summer term.

Any Year 6 children with credit on their accounts will be refunded before the end of term.

Thank you.



Change to Menu



Baked potatoes will also be served.

Choir

Our Choir enjoyed singing at the Discovery MAT summer concert alongside Oakwood and Weston Mill this week. They performed songs from a range of musicals including Annie, Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat and The Sound of Music.





Bikeability (Year 6)

Please complete the consent form by following the link below before **Monday 8th July** to enable your child to take part in these sessions.

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Bikeability Balance (Reception)

Please complete the consent form by following the link below before **Monday 8th July** to enable your child to take part in these sessions.

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Quick Links can be found on our Facebook page

National Read Aloud Challenge

Beechwood have signed up for the Read Aloud Challenge this summer holiday.

Please sign your child up by using the link below (link also on our Facebook page)

https://www.readaloudchallenge.co.uk/join/3MSW-C4UO-06CA

This will allow all children to have access to 100s of online books from now until the end of August to read on their devises.

Children can read their stories out loud and the app will support their reading.

It also Includes games, competitions and prizes





School Trip Payment Reminder

Year 4 (current Year 3) - Nethercott Farm

Please return your completed trip letter to the school office as soon as possible and pay the deposit of £100 deposit by 19th July 2024. Please contact the school office if you require any assistance. Thank you.

Year 5 (current Year 4) - Reach Outdoors

Please return your completed trip letter to the school office as soon as possible and pay the deposit of £50 deposit by 5th July 2024. Please contact the school office if you require any assistance. Thank you.

Year 6 (current Year 5) - London Trip

Please return your completed trip letter to the school office as soon as possible and pay the **deposit of £100** deposit by **5th July 2024**. Please contact the school office if you require any assistance. Thank you.



Free School Meals



You may be entitled to apply for Free School Meals for your child/ren if you receive Universal Credit, Income Support, Income Based JobSeekers Allowance, Income Related Element of Employment and Support Allowance, Guaranteed Credit element of Pension Credit or 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 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 so not confuse this with Universal Free School Meal entitlement for children in Years Reception to Year Two.

Lost Property



We have quite a lot of lost property in school. Please feel free to pop in and have a look to see if anything belongs to your child. All lost property will be available each Thursday with Tea with Teresa.



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

Year 4 - Ellie Simmonds – 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

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.











Children and Young People's **Neurodiversity Wellbeing Team**

A confidential, free advice line available to all children, young people and their families who are on the Neurodiversity Pathway within Plymouth.

What we offer

Advice and support including:

- Sleep
- Diet
- **Anxiety**
- School difficulties
- Friendships
- Positive support strategies

Contact us

Please call 01752 435404 Monday to Friday 9 - 11am and 2 - 4pm





Please complete our questionnaire using the QR code provided.

We support people to lead independent, healthy lives

MHST Summer Holiday offer

Livewell



Young people and parent/carers come and see us at Starbucks for mental health wellbeing tips and advice. We have our stand available 10am to 12pm in Drake Circus on the 1st and 15th August and at Coypool 8th and 22nd August. We would love to chat whilst you grab your favourite beverage.



Fun, Fit and Mentally Healthy sessions. Do you love to dance? Are you able to recognise you feel good when you move more? We are hosting 4 ons of Dance practice with a performance for parents at the end for primary age children whilst parents spend time in our conversation café discussing all things mentally healthy from young people. We have 4 available with 20 spaces on each.

Please click on the session links below to book spaces

- Session 1
- Session 2
- Session 4

Virtual parent workshops— <u>Adolescent brain</u> and <u>Anxiety.</u>
Please click on the title to follow the links to join up.



Join an exciting eco therapy group at Poole Farm which we are supporting alongside Tom the CAMHS Ecotherapy Lead. This is a group where young people will need to be able to attend a weekly session. Theme is based around change and transition. Young people aged 11 15. We have 5 spaces available on a Monday throughout the Holidays and 3 spaces on a Tuesday throughout the holidays.

Please email Livewell.MHST@nhs.net

More information can be found on the MHST

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P.T.F.A. Summer Fayre

Tuesday 16th July 3.30 to 5.00pm





We look forward to seeing your there!



Plymouth Parrots