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Friday 27th September 2024

Hello everyone, and HAPPY FRIDAY! I hope you've all had a good week, we certainly have here at Beechwood.

During the week Mrs Nettleship, our Trust CEO, and Mrs Clark, our Director of Education, spent time in classrooms and across Beechwood Primary as a whole.

You will be pleased to hear that their feedback was extremely positive. Pupils are engaged with their learning and classroom environments are positive, purposeful and contribute effectively to learning. In addition to this, the calm, caring and purposeful ethos of the school shone through.

Well done everyone, a great start to the new school year.

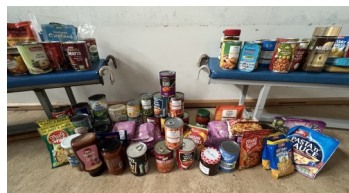
KIRFS Workshop

Thank you to all parents, carers and friends that attended the KIRFS workshop with Miss Giles and Mrs Francis on Thursday. It was lovely to see so many of you, we had to dig out the emergency chairs! Thank you for all the positive comments, it means a lot to the staff involved who put the session together.

We will upload any useful resources to the school website next week.

Harvest Donations

Thank you for your harvest donations. These donations will be collected by Devon and Cornwall Food Action Trust and will be used to support families in the greatest need.



We also welcomed Ginny the storyteller into school this week. She spent time in our reception classroom reading stories to the children and it was lovely to see that a number of Brahms class parents were able to join us for this special time. Thank you for coming and thank you Ginny!

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

Mr Arnold and the Beechwood Team.

Diary Dates to Remember

Thur 3rd October - 2.45pm
Yr 6 - Tchaikovsky Assembly

Thur 3rd October 8.45am and 3.15pm
Yr 6 - CGP and Cake

Tues 8th October - 2.00pm
Rec - Story Telling Sessions

Thurs 10th October
Nasal Flu Vaccination

Tues 15th October - 2.00pm
Rec - Story Telling Sessions

Wed 23rd October
Individual Photographs

Thurs 24th October - 2.00pm
Rec - Story Telling Sessions

Thurs 24th October - 2.45pm
Yr 4/5 Bernstein Assembly

28th October to 1st November
HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Thurs 28th November - 2.45pm
Yr 6 - Elgar Class Assembly

Monday 2nd December
NON PUPIL DAY

Thurs 19th December - 2.45pm
EYFS Nativity Assembly

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

Year 6 Map Reading

Year 6 have been looking at the geographical features of maps, including different symbols and locating places or landmarks using a six-figure grid reference. They have then put this into practise when finding different areas around the school and sketching their own graph of Plymouth and Dartmoor using symbols.



Story Telling Sessions

Mozart class had a really enjoyable storytelling session with Ginny. We had the story of What's the time Mr Wolf? The children enjoyed listening and interacting with the props, although they did not want MR Wolf to eat them!

The next session will on Tuesday 8th October. at 2pm. We would love to see more parents and carers at this session. Thank you for those that attended and we hope you enjoyed yourself and thank you to Ginny.



Nasal Flu Vaccinations



Reception - Year 6 Children

Information was emailed out to parents/carers inviting them to consent to their child's nasal flu vaccination which will be carried out in school on **Thursday 10th October** for all children from Reception through to Year 6. The letter contains a school code which you will require to complete this form. **DV143311**

<https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

(quick link can also be found on our Facebook page)

Please submit your consent by **midday on 7th October 2024** at the very latest to ensure your child receives the vaccination.

More information about this vaccination can be found on the link below:-

<http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu>

Assembly Dates

Thursday 3rd October - 2.45pm

Thursday 24th October - 2.45pm

Thursday 28th November - 2.45pm

Thursday 19th 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

Year 6 - Tchaikovsky Class Assembly

Year 4/5 - Bernstein Class Assembly

Year 6 - Elgar Class Assembly

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



Autumn Term 1				
Reception	Year 1 and 2	Year 3	Year 4 and 5	Year 6
Monday Gymnastics 	Tuesday Gymnastics 	Monday Gymnastics 	Tuesday Cricket 	Tuesday Cricket 
	Wednesday Fundamentals (basic skills) 	Tuesday Cricket 	Thursday Gymnastics 	Wednesday Martial Arts 

Secondary School Applications

If your child is in Year 6 and will be starting secondary school in **September 2025** please apply on-line on the Plymouth City Council website.

Admission Closing Date :
31st October 2024



Children and Young People's Neurodiversity Wellbeing Team

A casual meet up for parents and carers of neurodivergent children (no diagnosis required). Come along and meet our Community Support Workers and have a cuppa and a chat. No need to book, just turn up - and your little ones are more than welcome!



Coffee & Connect

Mondays, 9-10.30am Rees Centre Wellbeing Hub, Plympton PL7 2PS	Weds, 9.15-10.45am DELL Emerging Family Hub, High View School, Efford PL3 6JQ	Weds, 1-2.30pm Manor Street Children's Centre, Stonehouse, PL1 1TL	Thursdays, 1-2.30pm Four Woods Family Hub, Whitleigh PL5 2LN
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For further information please contact our advice line

Monday to Friday from 09.00-11.00 or 14.00-16.00

Tel: 01752 435404

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CGP AND CAKE

Calling all Year 6 Parents

Come and join your child to celebrate their learning and understand more about year 6 and the opportunities and expectations throughout the year.

Date: Thursday 3rd October

There will be **two** available sessions.

Morning time: 8:45am

Afternoon time: 3:15pm

Please arrive through the **black gates**.

Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to meet and talk to the teachers, do some activities with your child and ask any questions you may have.



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

When:

Every Thursday

Time:

8.45 to 9.30

Where:

Beechwood Primary

Story telling sessions



Tuesday 24th September

Tuesday 8th October

Tuesday 15th October

Thursday 24th October

All starting at 2pm

Mozart class

Derriford Church

For ages 4 to 11

Kids Club

Every first Friday of the month
3.45 - 5:30pm

Activities:

- Arts & Craft
- Games
- Bible Stories
- Food

@ Derriford Church
Powisland Drive
Plymouth, PL6 6AB

£1 per family

Come along to our open evening on Friday 4th October!

and the following dates:
1st November 2024
6th December 2024
3rd January 2025

Family members are welcome to join us for food at 5pm

visit us online at:
www.derrifordchurch.co.uk



Wellbeing Through Crafting

FREE PARENTING COURSE

Learn to Sew - Tote Bag to take home

Wednesday 25th September

until

Wednesday 23rd October

12.30pm until 3.30pm

This beginner-friendly course is designed to guide you through the fundamentals of machine sewing, from selecting fabrics and tools to mastering basic stitches and techniques.

By the end of the course, you'll have completed a lined Tote bag with pocket to take home. You will achieve confidence and basic skills in machine sewing and a sense of creative empowerment.

What will I learn?

Week 1: Get to know your Sewing Machine: Gain confidence in machine sewing. Learn about essential sewing tools and materials. Practise basic sewing techniques.

Week 2: Mastering Basic Stitches: Learn the essential stitches used in sewing projects, including straight stitch, Zig Zag and Hemming. Practice techniques on sample fabrics. Introduction on how to use basic Sewing Patterns.

Week 3: Design a Tote Bag: Design & chose colour/patterned cloth for your Tote Bag. Using a simple sewing pattern cut out Tote Bag.

Week 4: Construct Tote Bag: Put your skills into action! Focusing on finishing techniques like seam finishing and adding embellishments.

Week 5: Constructing & Complete a Tote Bag. Continue working on your Tote Bag and complete your sewing project. Sharing & Reflecting : Showcase your completed projects, share your experiences and take your Tote Bag home!!!

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

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



Beechwood Primary Academy



School Admissions 2025

Beechwood Primary Academy will be holding open events for the parents and carers of children who are due to start school in September 2025

Monday 30th September at 2.30pm

Wednesday 2nd October at 10.00am

Thursday 3rd October at 4.00pm

We look forward to welcoming you to our school



Please call or email to arrange your session:-

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Free School Meals

You may be entitled to apply for Free School Meals for your child/ren if you receive the following benefits:-

- Universal Credit, Income Support
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance,
- Income Related Element of Employment and Support Allowance,
- Guaranteed Credit element of Pension Credit
- 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 either apply on-line through the Plymouth City Council website or 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 do not confuse this with Universal Free School Meal entitlement for children in Years Reception to Year Two.



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 – l.gruszka@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.