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Friday 27th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back after the half-term break. We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable time with your families.

In Monday's assembly, we spoke about fresh starts and reminded the children of our behaviour expectations as we begin a new half term. It has been lovely to see such a positive attitude across the school this week.

Year 5 have gone straight into their swimming sessions and are already doing a fantastic job — well done to them for their enthusiasm and effort. Year 4 have also enjoyed welcoming visitors from Babcock, which has been a great learning opportunity.

A reminder that World Book Day will take place on Thursday 5th March. This year, we would like all children to come to school dressed in their favourite pyjamas and to bring their favourite bedtime story or book to share with their class. We would also love children to take photos of themselves reading in different places (for example at home, outdoors or somewhere unusual!) and send these in so we can celebrate reading across the school.

Following the email sent earlier this week, we would like to remind parents and carers that all communication should now be sent to the school office email address rather than directly to class teachers. This helps to ensure that messages are received, logged and responded to as efficiently as possible.

Thank you for your support.

We are looking forward to another great week ahead!

Mrs Rama-Dominguez and the Beechwood Team

Diary Dates to Remember

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

Tuesday 10th March
Rec - Library Visit

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

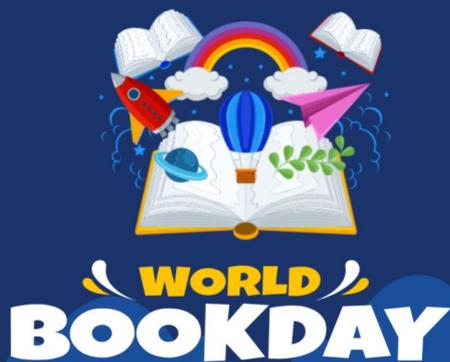
Tues 31st March
Class Photographs

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



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.

SEN Provision

This term we are continuing to develop our SEN provisions to better meet the needs of all pupils. This includes our new Ocean Class, which provides targeted support for children who benefit from smaller group learning and tailored interventions and our separate Learning Hub for children to access for shorter sessions.

Across classrooms, we are also working with teachers to implement a range of adaptations so that every child can access the curriculum and participate fully in lessons.

In addition, we are now using provision mapping on Edukey, which allows us to streamline Information and keep everything in one place, including Pupil Passports (previously My Plans) and Learning Plans (previously IEPs).

Following the publication of the recent White Paper, the school will be responding to the consultation, and we encourage any parents with concerns or questions to reach out. We are here to work together and will update families on any information we receive in relation to this.

If you have any questions about SEN support or would like guidance on how we can help your child, please feel free to get in touch.



ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



ATTENDANCE WORKS

Did you know?

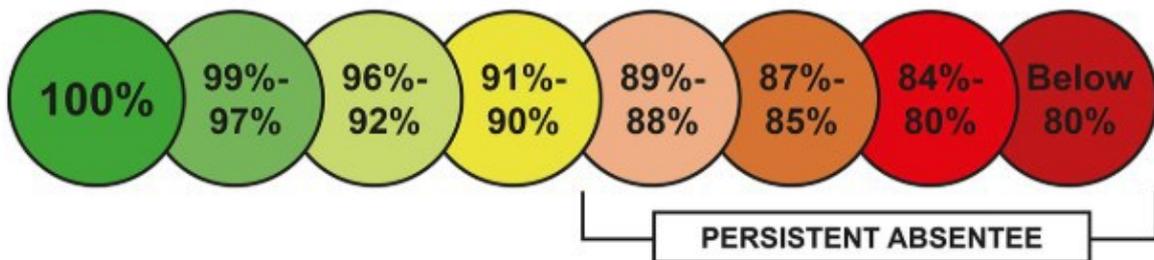
When children attend school they:

- 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 23rd February
Smeaton	95.42%
 Firestone	97.93%
Mayflower	94.14%
 Saltram	95.0%
Mount Batten	92.02%
Mt Edgcumbe	94.06%
Dockyard	92.92%
Burrator	89.95%
Raleigh	91.0%

This week our whole school attendance is **93.86%**

This week's winners are :

KS1 - Firestone Class

KS2 - Saltram Class



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

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

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

School Terms and Holidays
2026/2027 Academic Year



September 2026					October 2026					November 2026										
M			7	14	21	28	Mo			5	12	19	26	M		2	9	16	23	30
T		1	8	15	22	29	Tu			6	13	20	27	T		3	10	17	24	
W		2	9	16	23	30	We			7	14	21	28	W		4	11	18	25	
Th		3	10	17	24		Th		1	8	15	22	29	Th		5	12	19	26	
F		4	11	18	25		Fr		2	9	16	23	30	F		6	13	20	27	
Sa		5	12	19	26		Sa		3	10	17	24	31	S		7	14	21	28	
Su		6	13	20	27		Su		4	11	18	25		S	1	8	15	22	29	

December 2026					January 2027					February 2027										
M			7	14	21	28	M			4	11	18	25	M			1	8	15	22
Tu		1	8	15	22	29	Tu			5	12	19	26	Tu			2	9	16	23
W		2	9	16	23	30	W			6	13	20	27	W			3	10	17	24
Th		3	10	17	24	31	Th			7	14	21	28	Th			4	11	18	25
F		4	11	18	25		F		1	8	15	22	29	F			5	12	19	26
Sa		5	12	19	26		Sa		2	9	16	23	30	Sa			6	13	20	27
Su		6	13	20	27		Su		3	10	17	24	31	Su			7	14	21	28

March 2027					April 2027					May 2027													
M			1	8	15	22	29	M			5	12	19	26	M			3	10	17	24	31	
Tu			2	9	16	23	30	Tu			6	13	20	27	Tu			4	11	18	25		
W			3	10	17	24	31	W			7	14	21	28	W			5	12	19	26		
Th			4	11	18	25		Th			1	8	15	22	29	Th			6	13	20	27	
F			5	12	19	26		F			2	9	16	23	30	F			7	14	21	28	
Sa			6	13	20	27		Sa			3	10	17	24	31	Sa			1	8	15	22	29
Su			7	14	21	28		Su			4	11	18	25		Su			2	9	16	23	30

June 2027					July 2027					August 2027																
M				7	14	21	28	M				5	12	19	26	M				2	9	16	23	30		
Tu				1	8	15	22	29	Tu				6	13	20	27	Tu				3	10	17	24	31	
W				2	9	16	23	30	W				7	14	21	28	W				4	11	18	25		
Th				3	10	17	24		Th				1	8	15	22	29	Th				5	12	19	26	
F				4	11	18	25		F				2	9	16	23	30	F				6	13	20	27	
Sa				5	12	19	26		Sa				3	10	17	24	31	Sa				7	14	21	28	
Su				6	13	20	27		Su				4	11	18	25		Su				1	8	15	22	29

Term time	School holiday	Bank holiday	INSET day
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Term dates									
Term 1	03 September	-	23 October	37 days	Term 2	02 November	-	18 December	35 days
Term 3	04 January	-	12 February	30 days	Term 4	22 February	-	25 March	24 days
Term 5	12 April	-	28 May	34 days	Term 6	07 June	-	23 July	35 days
Total									195 days

Bank and public holidays			
Christmas Day	25 December	Easter Monday	29 March
Boxing Day	28 December	May Day	03 May
New Year's Day	01 January	Spring	31 May
Good Friday	26 March	Summer	30 August