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Friday 19th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to say that Term 2 has been successful and a term where we have seen good progress across the school. It has been great to see so many year groups go on trips and visits, enhancing their classroom learning. In addition, we have been thrilled to host our Rock Steady Assembly and EYFS Nativity and welcome so many families to come and enjoy them with us. The children performed brilliantly and certainly did us as staff and I am sure you as parents, proud.

Miss Denford, our new SENCo, has settled in well and is getting to know all the children. You may have received a letter inviting you to meet with her. If you have not received a letter and would like to arrange a meeting with Miss Denford, please contact the school office.

Well done to the 52 children who have been in school every day this term and achieved 100% attendance. They were awarded with their certificates today.

Please could I take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support and commitment to your child's education and continuing to develop the partnership between home and school. It does make a huge difference to the children and we are grateful for your support. We will continue to put education at the forefront of our minds and strive to achieve the very best for your child by retaining our high expectations for behaviour, learning and uniform in the New Year.

On behalf of all of the staff, we would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and all the very best for the new year of 2026!

Mrs Rama-Dominguez and the Beechwood Team



Diary Dates to Remember

22nd Dec to 2nd January
CHRISTMAS BREAK

Mon 5th January
Return from Christmas Break

Fri 30th January
NON-PUPIL DAY

16th Feb to 20th Feb
HALF TERM

Fri 13th March
NON-PUPIL DAY

Mon 16th to Fri 20th March
Yr 4 - Nethercott Farm Trip

Thursday 23rd 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

25th May to 29th May
HALF TERM

Friday 3rd July
P.T.F.A. Mufti - Tombola

Wed 15th July
P.T.F.A. Summer Fayre



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



WELL DONE

CONCERNED

SERIOUSLY WORRIED

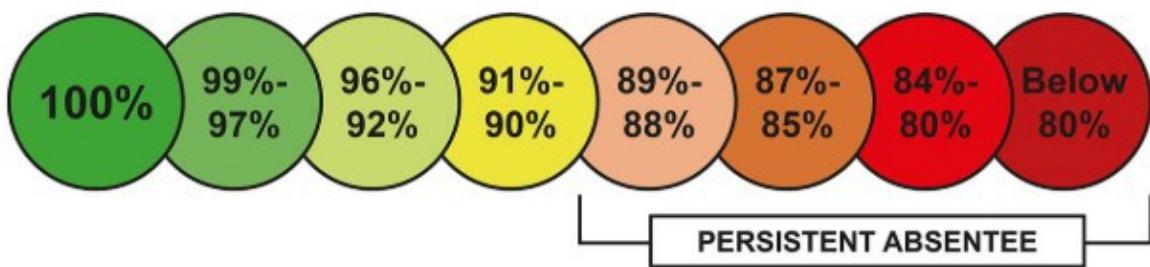
A good attendance gives you the best chance for success

A poor attendance gives you less chance of success

Very poor attendance has a serious impact and reduces life chances

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 8.55am will also be recorded as an unauthorised absence and could also result in a fine.

Class	w/c 15th December
 Smeaton	94.01%
Firestone	90.37%
Mayflower	91.38%
 Saltram	97.78%
Mount Batten	96.82%
Mt Edgcumbe	90.0%
Dockyard	87.50%
Burrator	95.45%
Raleigh	96.0%

This week our whole school attendance is **93.22%**

This week's winners are :

KS1 - Smeaton Class
KS2 - Saltram Class



P.E. Days

Spring Term 1			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Mount Batten (Y3) Outdoors Saltram (Y3) Outdoors Mnt Edgcumbe (Y4) Outdoors			
Dockyard (Y5) Outdoors Mayflower (Y2) Indoors Burrator (Y5/6) Outdoors Firestone (Y1/2) Indoors Raleigh (Y6) Outdoors	Mnt Edgcumbe (Y4) Indoors Mayflower (Y2) Outdoors	Dockyard (Y5) Indoors Firestone (Y1/2) Outdoors Burrator (Y5/6) Indoors Raleigh (Y6) Indoors	Mount Batten (Y3) Indoors Saltram (Y3) Indoors

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.

Email Addresses to Remember

Year 6 - Raleigh Class - d.poole@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 5/6 - Burrator Class - k.giles@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 5 - Dockyard Class - bwlsteacher2@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 4 - Mt Edgcumbe - e.campbell@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 3 - Mount Batten Class - k.kombostiotis@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 3 - Saltram Class - c.pumphrey@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 2 - Mayflower Class - k.gardner@discoverymat.co.uk
Year 1/2 - Firestone Class - c.mccarthy@discoverymat.co.uk
Rec - Smeaton Class - l.gruszka@discoverymat.co.uk
Nursery - Wembury Class - l.gruszka@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 your 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.

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				
Monday	1	8	15	22	29
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30
Wednesday	3	10	17	24	
Thursday	4	11	18	25	
Friday	5	12	19	26	

	OCTOBER				
	6	13	20	27	
	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24	31	

	NOVEMBER				
3	10	17	24		
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		
6	13	20	27		
7	14	21	28		

	DECEMBER				
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24	31	
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		

	JANUARY				
Monday	5	12	19	26	
Tuesday	6	13	20	27	
Wednesday	7	14	21	28	
Thursday	8	15	22	29	
Friday	9	16	23	30	

	FEBRUARY				
2	9	16	23		
3	10	17	24		
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		
6	13	20	27		

	MARCH				
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24	31	
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		
6	13	20	27		

	APRIL				
	6	13	20	27	
	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24	31	

	MAY				
Monday	4	11	18	25	
Tuesday	5	12	19	26	
Wednesday	6	13	20	27	
Thursday	7	14	21	28	
Friday	8	15	22	29	

	JUNE				
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24		
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		

	JULY				
	6	13	20	27	
	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24	31	

	AUGUST				
3	10	17	24	31	
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		
6	13	20	27		
7	14	21	28		