



Beechwood Newsletter

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BOCCIA FESTIVAL

On Thursday, Beechwood joined with several schools to enjoy a Christmassy session of Boccia. Our team played brilliantly and became more accurate as the games progressed. They even made up songs about their prowess on the court!

This was such a fun event with many unexpected incidents to spice up the proceedings...who thought a Santa hat could cause such mayhem!

SINGING DAY AT SIR JOHN HUNT

It was my great pleasure to be invited to our choir performance last week at Sir John Hunt. The children were invited to take part in a joint choir project with Whitleigh Primary and Sir John Hunt Secondary to perform to parents, carers and teachers. Despite being some of the youngest children there, our children were amazing and sang with enthusiasm, enjoyment and confidence. I would like to thank Mrs Cleverley for coaching and supporting this event and especially the children for being such fantastic ambassadors for their school. The children were Angelina, Quinn, Oribim, Naveah, Rosie, Chloe, Yasmin, Phoebe, Ruby, Amber, Annabelle and Cicely. I look forward to seeing their future performances!

Mrs Nettleship - Chief Executive Officer



EVENING HERALD NURSERY & RECEPTION NATIVITY

Please look out for the Nativity supplement which will appear in the Plymouth Evening Herald on **Tuesday 18th December**.



**Beechwood Buddies
Autumn Fayre
** NEW DATE **
Monday 17th December
3.30 - 5.30**



Come along & support the school at the Buddies Autumn Fayre
We have lots of stalls - The ever popular tombola, raffle, Jewellery, Glitter Tattoos, Face Painting, refreshments and much more.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On Friday 21st December pupils at Beechwood will be able to put on their warmest, wackiest and most wonderful festive woollies to raise money 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 daftest festive knits for the day and donate £1, or whatever they can give. The money they raise will be donated to 'Save the Children'. Thank you.



DECORATIONS AFTERNOON

We would like to invite parents into school on **Monday 17th December** from 1.15pm to 3.00pm for Decorations afternoon. Unfortunately we can not cater for babies or pre-school children. Children to wear old multi clothes to school.

Please queue by the black gates outside the dining hall. Thank you.



DIARY DATES

(These dates may be subject to change)



2018/2019

Mon 17th Dec	Decorations Afternoon - 1.15pm
Tues 18th Dec	Christmas Dinner
Tues 18th Dec	Nativity Production - 2.15pm
Wed 19th Dec	KS1 Carol Concert - 2pm & 5pm
Wed 19th Dec	Nursery Christmas Party - 1.30pm
Thurs 20th Dec	KS2 Carol Concert - 2pm & 5.30pm
Thurs 20th Dec	Reception Christmas Party
Fri 21st Dec	Christmas Jumper Mufti
Fri 21st Dec	Christmas Carols - 2.00pm
Fri 21st Dec	School closes for Christmas
Mon 7th Jan	School re-opens at 8.45am
Tues 8th Jan	Fluoride Varnish - Rec and Yr 1
Fri 8th Feb	Fri 15th Feb - Nethercott Farm Yr 4
Mon 18th Feb to	Fri 22nd Feb HALF TERM
Mon 25th Feb	School re-opens at 8.45am
Mon 25th & 26th	Feb - London Trip - Yr 6
6th & 7th Mar	Book Fayre
Thurs 7th Mar	World Book Day
Mon 11th Mar	Bikeability - Year 5
Mon 18th Mar	Balancability - Rec
Wed 27th Mar	Class Photographs
Thurs 4th April	School closes for Easter
Fri 5th Apr	Non-pupil Day
Tues 23rd Apr	School re-opens at 8.45am
Mon 6th May	Bank Holiday
Mon 27th May to	Friday 31st May HALF TERM
Tues 23rd July	School closes for Summer Holidays
Wed 24th July	Non-pupil Day
Mon 4th Nov	Individual Photographs

CHANGE TO MENU CHRISTMAS WEEK



Monday 17th December

Sweet & Sour Chicken or Vegetarian Balls

Tuesday 18th December

Christmas Lunch

Roast Turkey or Vegetable Parcels

NO Jacket Potatoes will be served

Wednesday 19th December

Turkey Lasagne or Veggie Mince and Potato

Thursday 20th December

Fish and Chips or Quiche and Chips
or Jacket Potatoes

Friday 21st December

Pizza or Sausage Rolls and Diced Potatoes
or Jacket Potatoes

PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEOS

As we approach our busy Christmas time and parents are attending various events/activities, could we please remind you that any photos and videos taken of the children ARE NOT to be uploaded to social media sites. These are for your own personal use. Please abide by our photography policy to avoid the school banning any future photos/videos being taken.



We did not have any suggestions in the ideas and suggestions box this week.



ATTENDANCE

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the attendance for week beginning **3rd December 2018**.

Sun	94%
Moon	95%
Hubble	95.2%
Newton	92.7%
Brunel	95%
Curie	90.7%
Jenner	98.6%
Anning	97.8%
Sharmen	91.9%
Tesla	93.6%
Hawking	96%
Franklin	90%
Da Vinci	95.6%
Dalton	96.7%

WINNERS

Well done!

The winners will receive the Attendance Cup



NATIVITY - (NURSERY & REC)

The Nursery and Reception children's Nativity Performance is on **Tuesday 18th December at 2.15pm**. Thank you for returning your slips to reserve your seats. Tickets are currently being issued. Only two tickets will be allocated per family due to seating restrictions. Younger children are welcome to attend with their parents. Thank you.



KS1 (YR1 & YR2) CAROL CONCERT

The KS1 Carol concert is on **Wednesday 19th December at 2.00pm and 5.00pm**. Thank you for returning slips to reserve your seats. Tickets are currently being issued. Only two tickets will be allocated per family due to seating restrictions. Any spare seats will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Pre-school children are permitted to attend the 2.00pm performance only. Children to wear a Christmas t-shirt or jumper. Thank you.



KS2 (YR3 to YR6) CAROL CONCERT

The KS2 Carol concert on **Thursday 20th December at 2.00pm and 5.30pm**. Thank you for returning slips to reserve your seats. Tickets are currently being issued. Only two tickets will be allocated per family due to seating restrictions. Any spare seats will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Pre-school children are permitted to attend the 2.00pm performance only. Children to wear a Christmas t-shirt or jumper. Thank you.



CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Friday 21st December at 2.00pm

You may take your child home after this event.



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Please be reminded that applications for Primary School Admission places need to be completed by **Monday 15th January 2018**. Please see more information on primary.admissions@plymouth.gov.uk



Have a great weekend!
Mrs Evans - Head of School