

Beechwood Newsletter "Living, learning and thriving"

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An exciting new role for Miss Warren!



Miss Warren is about to embark on her next new and exciting stage of life as she leaves us at half term to join a new school as Maths Mastery Lead.

We will ensure that the children continue to have the best possible teaching and learning provision and more information will follow with regards to this.

HAWKING CLASS ASSEMBLY

Parents of children in Hawking Class are invited to their assembly on **Friday 25th January** at **9.00am**. We look forward to seeing you there. Please use the black gate entrance by the main entrance. Thank you.



MKC HEROES

Two of our MKC Heroes were invited to have a question and answer session with our local MP's

Forty schools from around the city were invited to ask

Questions to the MP's about many different subject including what you do for our city, how do you help service personnel and what do you think about Brexit!!!

Our children represented the school Brilliantly.





DIARY DATES

(These dates may be subject to change)



2018/2019

Fri 25th Jan Fri 1st Feb	Hawking Class Assembly - 9.00am Jenner Class Assembly - 9.00am		
Fri 8th Feb to	Fri 15th Feb - Nethercott Farm Yr 4/		
Fri 8th Feb	Brunel Class Assembly - 9.00am		
Mon 18th Feb to	Fri 22nd Feb HALF TERM		
Mon 25th Feb			
Mon 25th 1 cb	School re-opens at 8.45am		
6th & 7th Mar	Feb - London Trip - Yr 6		
Thurs 7th Mar	Book Fayre		
Fri 8th Mar	World Book Day		
Mon 11th Mar	Hubble Class Assembly - 9.00am		
Fri 15th Mar	Bikeability - Year 5 EYFS Classes Assembly		
Mon 18th Mar			
Fri 22nd Mar	Balancability - Rec		
Wed 27th Mar	Franklin & Hawking Class Assembly		
	Class Photographs		
Thurs 4th April	Easter Assembly - 9.15am		
Thurs 4th April	School closes for Easter		
Fri 5th Apr	Non-pupil Day		
Wed 24th Apr	School re-opens at 8.45am		
Mon 6th May	Bank Holiday		
Sun 19th May	Schools Half Marathon Challenge		
Mon 27th May to	Friday 31st May HALF TERM		

2019/2020

Tues 23rd July

Wed 24th July

Thurs 5th Sept School re-opens at 8.45am
Wed 25th Sept Beam House Residential - Year 5
Mon 21st Oct to Fri 25th Oct HALF TERM
Thurs 28th Nov Non Pupil Day
Fri 29th Nov Non Pupil Day

Non-pupil Day

School closes for Summer Holidays

Fri 29th Nov Non Pupil Day

BEAM HOUSE RESIDENTIAL - Yr5 (Current Yr 4) Wed 25th to Fri 27th September 2019You are now able to pay for this trip on Parent Pay.

Deposits of £38.00 due by **Monday 28th January 2019.**Please see the office if you require a Bar Code
Letter or to discuss payment issues.
Thank you.

LONDON TRIP - YEAR 6

Monday 25th to Tue sday 26th February
Polite reminder that the remaining balance for this trip needs to be paid in full by Thursday 31st
January 2019. Please contact the school office if you wish to discuss any payment issues. Thank you.

NETHERCOTT FARM RESIDENTIAL - YR 4 & 5 Friday 8th to Friday 15th February 2019

Letters were sent home last week providing more information for this trip. Please return all consent and medical forms as soon as possible. Could you please ensure the balance for this trip is paid by **Friday 25th January.** Please contact the school office if you wish to discuss any payment issues. Thank you.



ATTENDANCE

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the attendance for week beginning **7th January 2019**.

Sun Moon Hubble Newton Brunel Curie Jenner Anning Sharman Tesla Hawking Franklin Da Vinci Dalton	94.6% 95.2% 98.6% 98.7% 96.1% 96.4% 92.1% 100% 96.5% 97.3% 97.3% 99.6% 94.1%	WINNERS	Well done! The winners will receive the Attendance Cup
Da Vinci	99.6%		

FAMILY SUPPORT GROUPS

Parenting Through the Primary Years Course Thurs day 24th January until 14th March

1.30 to 3.00pm

For more information please contact Jenny Oliver on 07729 435376





BEECHWOOD BUDDIES RED DISCO

Wednesday 13th February 4.15pm to 5.30pm More details to follow

Please Note:

All Beechwood Buddies events will now be paid through Parent Pay

CLUB LETTERS

You will have received a School Club letter this week. Could slips please be returned as soon as possible. Your child will then receive a slip to say if they have been allocated a place on the individual clubs. All clubs will start week commencing **21st January**. Thank you.

SPORTING NEWS

Plymouth Schools Half Marathon 2019

Entries for this great event on Sunday 19th May 2019 are now closed. You will receive confirmation of your entry as soon as the school receives notification. Clubs

Alan Lomax football clubs have now started so please make sure all monies are paid asap.

Also the Stem club has changed due to a different outside provider. This term, it will be focused on Go Karting but is only for Year 6. Apologies for any Inconvenience caused.

Beechwood are actively engaged in the Sports Mark process and the above initiatives are part of our efforts to engage all pupils in regular physical activity.



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





SMOOTHIE BIKE

On Tuesday, the whole school were treated to a 'Smoothie Bike'. This was to reward our efforts in the Moonwalk project. We won the flag competition and we were in the top 10 of schools that made an effort to walk to school. The children had great fun watching the bike make the smoothie maker work and were amazed at the banana and berry smoothie that they made. Some children got to ride the bike and make the smoothie maker whizz round.

Thank you to the moonwalk champions who's flag design won us this treat!



Be Safe, Be seen!...and always wear your safety helmet.

Well done to the children who entered our, design a cycle helmet competition. If you go online you will be able to see your entries on the website gallery.



https://cyclesafety.first4lawyers.com/entries-gallery/

Dear Parent

We have just signed up to work with DCFA



Devon and Cornwall Food Action have been collecting and redistributing surplus food, that would otherwise go to waste, since 2010 and, during that time they have built up a local food network with a range of local charities and community groups. In turn, these groups help us to help up to 4000 vulnerable individuals a month. Working in this way we have 'recycled' over 300 tonnes of food worth over £800,000 to the community and we have also built up valuable working relationships with the majority of Plymouth's supermarkets.

Well known high-street names, such as Tesco's, Morrison's and Sainsbury's, have recently been joined by M&S and Lidl's in donating their end-of-day surpluses to DCFA.

We are already supporting five schools across the city, with four more schools waiting to join the project. Your school being in this project, along with the other schools, enables us to save over 3 ton per week of food going to landfill, and support over 30 families across the city. This project might just be the difference of a family overcoming a difficult time or a family failing into crisis.

If you feel you may benefit from this project, please come and see Jenny Oliver our FSA to complete the relevant paperwork. You can book to receive food every week, if you feel you need it, by completing a Food Association slip and popping it in the Food Action box in the reception area.

All parents who have completed a form will be added to the list and be invited to collect food following the delivery on Tuesday afternoons. Any spare food will then be offered to other families.

Parents will need to bring their own shopping bags and egg boxes to collect food.