# Beechwood Primary Academy





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# 15th November 2021

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

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## PARENT UPDATE

It has been a pleasure to talk to all of the class teachers this week to discuss pupil progress. I am so proud of how well the staff know your children and how their reflections are impacting on teaching and learning. Every day, the teachers are refining and developing their understanding of how best your children learn and this was evident in the supportive and ambitious conversations we shared while we plan the next few terms of learning.





We all shared a minute's silence this week for Armistice Day to remember and celebrate those who have fought for our country. Thank you for all your donations to the Royal British Legion. Year 5 were at the Life Centre during the silence, and they were extremely respectful of the silence, even though they were still in the water. I am extremely proud of them for their show of respect in public for this extremely important shared moment.

This week, we are celebrating STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) week. Miss Hemelik, our STEM Lead, has planned some really exciting events. Some are virtual, for others we have some visitors and events. We will be sharing our week on Facebook and the website during the week. Some of STEM week will link to COP26 (Conference of Parties) that has been taking place in Glasgow and we will be learning about some of the pledges world leaders have made to reduce the global impact of climate change.



As covid measures ease slightly, we would like to be able to welcome parents back to watch assemblies. We ask that you wear a mask, sanitise hands and that no more than two people from each family attend, so that we can reduce the number of contacts. Please see the diary dates on the newsletter for the assemblies this term.

Please remember to invite family and friends with children age 3 or 4 to our Open Evening from **3.30pm-4.30pm** on **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November**. Please contact the office to let us know you would like to come.



I am looking forward to another fantastic week of learning and to find out what the children learn during STEM week.

Mrs Bailey Senior Head of School



#### **DIARY DATES**

#### (These dates may be subject to change)



#### 2021/2022

Thurs 18th Nov Flu Vaccinations - Rec - Yr 6 Fri 19th Nov Spotty Mufti Fri 19th Nov New Parents Visit - 3.30pm Fri 26th Nov Non Pupil Day Fri 3rd Dec Yr6 Skylark Assembly Mon 13th Dec **Buddies Xmas Disco** Mon20th Dec to Mon 3rd Jan - CHRISTMAS HOLS Weds 16th Feb **Buddies Red Disco** Mon 21st Feb to Fri 25th Feb - HALF TERM Non Pupil Day Mon 28th Feb Friday 8th April Non Pupil Day Fri 22nd April – EASTER BREAK Mon11th April to Mon 2nd May May Day Bank Holiday Mon 30th May Bank Holiday Tues 31st May to Fri 3rd June -HALF TERM 26th July Last Day of Term

#### **CHILDREN IN NEED 2021**

Spotty Mufti Friday 19th November



We will be having a spotty mufti to raise money for this worthwhile cause.

Children may wear ONE item of spotty mufti for a donation.

Pudsey biscuits will be on sale for 50p

Pennies on Pudsey Bear. Please bring in your spare pennies to place on Pudsey.

Thank You

#### **NETHERCOTT FARM - YEAR 4**

There are still a few spaces available on the Nethercott Farm trip for Year 4 children.

An initial deposit of £50.00 is required today **Monday 15th November.** Please remember it is the deposit that secures your place on this trip. Please see the letter on the website for more details.

Please speak to the office if you would like to discuss the payment or require a Parent Pay Activation letter.

Thank you



#### ATTENDANCE CUP

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the attendance for week beginning **8th November 2021.** 

97.1%

94.6%

94.6%

95.5%

96.0%

96.3%

95.0%

96.2%

91.9%

91.5%

87.5%

89.6%

91.9%

Robin Starling Chaffinch Dove Chough Swallow Goldfinch Sparrow Wren Woodpecker Raven Nightingale Skylark

Well done!

The winners this week were Robin class. They will receive the Attendance Cup





#### POPPY APPEAL

Thank you for your kind donations when buying poppies last week. All monies raised will be passed to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. The staff and children remembered with a minutes silence. Thank you.

#### A BIG THANK YOU FROM BEECHWOOD BUDDIES

Beechwood Buddies would like to thank families who helped raise £110.95 at the recent mufti event. This money will help contribute towards future school events and new equipment for your children.



Have a lovely week - Mrs Bailey

# **OUTDOOR LEARNING**

Year 4 took part in some outdoor learning last week. They calculated the perimeter of different shapes and then drew their own shapes with certain perimeters.



# **FLU VACCINATIONS**

Virgin Care will be coming into school on **Thursday 18th November** to give nasal flu vaccinations to all children who have given on-line consent.



If you have missed signing up for your child's flu vaccination, please contact your local healthcare provision to book.

Thank you.

#### **NEW PARENT VISIT**

Is your child starting school in September 2022?

We will be holding an Open Evening this Friday 19th November from 3.30pm.

A short presentation will be followed by a tour of the school.

Please contact the school office On 01752 706360 to book a place.

Thank you.



### **CHRISTMAS INFORMATION**

Friday 10th December Christmas Jumper Day Children are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper instead of their school Jumpers. All donations towards Save the Children

> Monday 13th December Buddies Disco with Santa

Wednesday 15th December 9.30am Reception Christmas Performance Parents Welcome

**Reception Christmas Performance** 

pm To Whole School

Wednesday 15th December Christmas Lunch Lunch can be booked on the day More details to follow

> Friday 17th December Class Parties More details to follow



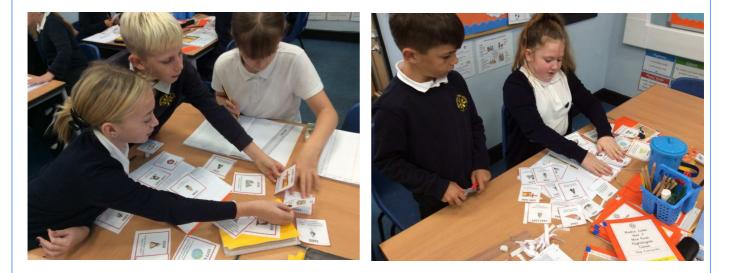


# THE TUDORS

Nightingale Class were absorbed in the Tudors last week. They have enjoyed finding out lots of facts about Sir Walter Raleigh and the Monarchs.

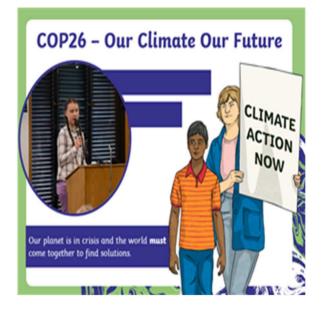
They have placed major events on a timeline and then found out more facts independently.

Well done Nightingale Class!



**COP 26 - SWITCH OFF FORTNIGHT** 





In school last week the children learnt about COP26 and how this could impact them. They learnt that World Leaders were discussing how to reduce our carbon footprint in order to help reduce climate change.

As part of their work in this, the School Champions will be leading a project in school called 'Switch Off Fortnight', which started last Monday. This will give the children an opportunity to make small changes in their lives that will save energy and help to protect the planet. For example, by switching off the lights when they leave a room. We will be encouraging the children to share these ideas with people at home too!