



Beechwood Newsletter

"Living, learning and thriving"

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Following our OFSTED inspection on the 17th and 18th of September, the outcome is that:

'Beechwood Primary Academy continues to be a good school'.

We were one of the first schools in Plymouth to be inspected under the new two day inspection process; the inspectors met with Mrs Evans - Head of School, Mrs Alison Nettleship - Chief Executive Officer, members of the Board of Trustees, the Local advisory board, administrators, curriculum leaders, teachers and the SEN team, as well as seeking the opinions of the pupils and parents during the visit. The inspector also conducted lesson observations, work scrutinies and looked at the school's key documents. **We are very proud of the children for the way they conducted themselves throughout the inspection, they were their usual polite and respectful selves and a credit to our community. Well done children!**

Discovery Multi Academy Trust now has three good schools under the leadership of Alison Nettleship – CEO, as Beechwood Primary Academy now joins Oakwood Primary Academy and Weston Mill Community Academy with the 'Good' rating following their inspections earlier this year.

I would like to thank the whole team at Beechwood for their hard work, care and determination in ensuring that the children have the best possible start to their school career and also the parents for their support during the inspection and through the year.

The full Ofsted publication is available at <http://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/>

MAGIC BREAKFAST

Beechwood recently secured funding to run Magic Breakfast for our children.

A "magic" breakfast is healthy and nutritious, it is designed to give children energy, protein, vitamins and minerals and is low in sugar, salt and fat.

All children have access to cereal or a bagel in the morning if they have missed breakfast.

The impact on a hungry child of eating a nutritious breakfast is not only immediate to see, but it can affect that child's whole path in life.

We have trained a group of Year 6 children to deliver Magic Breakfast each morning for all the children to enjoy.



SPORTING NEWS

Bronze Ambassadors Award - 9th October 2019

Six responsible sporting leaders spent a very active afternoon being trained by a group of enthusiastic secondary PE leaders at the Life Centre. At the end of the afternoon, the children had qualified to be our Sporting Ambassadors, who will work with Mr Harris and the coaches to develop P.E., host sporting days and encourage children to achieve their personal bests. Well done!



CATERed is the schools led local authority trading cooperative jointly owned by your child's school and the Council.

Our aim and objective is to buy fresh, seasonal, locally sourced produce and ingredients and to cook them from scratch each day in your child's school to produce great tasting, freshly prepared hot food which meets and exceeds the Governments Standards for School Food so that every child, regardless of the school they attend, gets the right food and nutrients to grow and learn.

To ensure we're doing the very best, we need your help & for you to tell us what you think! Please click on the link below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/KDNPHQH>

The survey should take no more than a few minutes to complete and your views are very important.

The survey will close on Friday 25 October 2019.

BECHWOOD BUDDIES DISCO

Wednesday 16th October

Rec/KS1 and KS2 Disco
4.15 to 5.30pm

Payment of £2.00 on the door
Tuck shop available
(A Disco for all age groups)



MUFTI

Your child may come to school in mufti on **Friday 18th October** for a small donation. Thank you.



SECONDARY ADMISSION DEADLINE YR6

Please apply by **31st October 2019**.

GRANDPARENTS' LUNCH

Thank you for returning your slips for the Grandparent's lunch. Your meals will be booked when payment has been made. Please inform the office if you require a barcode letter.



Please remember that children's lunches need to be paid in the normal way on their Parent Pay lunch account unless your child is in receipt of Universal/Free School Meals. Thank you.

Rec/Y1-3 Monday 11th November at 12.00pm
Yr 4-6 - Tuesday 12th November at 12.00pm

Unfortunately, due to the ordering of food, we cannot accept any more payment after Friday 18th October for this event.

Thank you.



Where is the most extreme place your child has ever read a book? Whether it is up a tree, on top of a mountain or standing on their head, we want your photos!

Beechwood want to create a real buzz around reading amongst our children, so we are setting you the challenge of finding the most extreme place to read a book and taking a photograph of it.

These photographs will then take part in a display in our library. Teachers will also be involved in this challenge, so get thinking and get reading!

Please bring your photographs into school.

RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Nethercott Farm - Yr 4 & Yr 5

Polite reminder - The second payment for this trip is due on **Friday 20th September**. Thank you.



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

NASH (YEAR 2) CLASS ASSEMBLY

Parents of children in Nash Class are invited to their assembly on **Friday 18th October at 9.00am**.

We look forward to seeing you there. Please use the black gate entrance by the main entrance. Thank you.



FLU VACCINATIONS - ELECTRONIC CONSENT LINK

Please follow the link and complete the consent form if you wish your child to receive their flu vaccination in school on Tuesday 19th November. **Deadline : 27th October 2019.**

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2019/devon>



DIARY DATES

(These dates may be subject to change)



2019/2020

Tues 15th Oct	Story Telling Session - Rec - 1.45pm
Fri 18th Oct	Mufti
Fri 18th Oct	Nash Class Assembly (Yr2) - 9am
Mon 21st Oct to	Fri 25th Oct - HALF TERM
Tues 29th Oct	Story Telling Session - Rec - 1.45pm
Mon 4th Nov	Individual Photographs
Fri 8th Nov	Carroll Class Assembly (Yr3) - 9am
Mon 11th Nov	Grandparent's Lunch - Rec/KS1
Tues 12th Nov	Grandparent's Lunch KS2
Fri 15th Nov	Children In Need Mufti -TBC
Fri 15th Nov	Venn Class Assembly (Yr5) - 9am
Tues 19th Nov	Flu Vaccination Visit
Fri 22nd Nov	Pythagoras Class Assembly - 9am
Wed 27th Nov	Mufti
Thurs 28th Nov	Non Pupil Day
Fri 29th Nov	Non Pupil Day
Fri 6th Dec	Plato Class Assembly (Yr1) - 9am
Fri 6th Dec	Nethcott Farm (Year 4)
Tues 10th Dec	Dental Visit - Rec/Yr 1
Mon 16th Dec	Decorations Afternoon - TBA
Wed 18th Dec	Children's Christmas Lunch
Fri 20th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 20th Dec	Christmas Sing-a-long Assembly
Fri 20th Dec	School closes for Christmas Hols
Mon 23rd Dec to	Fri 3rd Jan - CHRISTMAS BREAK
Thurs 13th Feb	London Trip - Yr 6
Mon 17th Feb to	Fri 21st Feb - HALF TERM
Mon 30th Mar to	Mon 13th April - EASTER BREAK
Mon 4th May	Non Pupil Day
Fri 8th May	VE Day Bank Holiday
Mon 25th May to	Fri 29th May - HALF TERM
Thurs 23rd July	Summer Holidays Begin

ATTENDANCE

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the attendance for week beginning **30th September 2018**.

Archimedes	94.8%
Plato	94.7%
Nash	94.7%
Pascal	98.6%
Aristotle	95.0%
Lovelace	93.0%
Johnson	90.4%
Carroll	100%
Boole	97.0%
Pythagoras	85.6%
Venn	95.0%
Kelvin	92.6%
Turing	91.3%
Tao	97.0%

WINNERS

Well done!

The winners will receive the Attendance Cup



MESSAGE FROM SHEKINAH

We would like to thank Beechwood Primary Academy for thinking of us and for donating your Harvest Festival Collection to our food bank. We wanted you to know that we collected over 144kg of food for which we are very grateful. This really helps our food bank continue to help those in crisis.



We don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That is why we provide three days nutritionally balanced food and support to local people who are referred to us in crisis. We are part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.



BEECHWOOD BUDDIES DIARY DATES

Wednesday 16th October

Spooky Disco

4.15 to 5.30 pm

Thursday 21st November

Magic Show

4.00 to 5.00 pm

Monday 16th December

Santa Disco

4.15 to 5.30 pm



SERVICE CHILDREN

Product Information

Please be aware that the MKC Heroes "Together As One" badges may cause a skin irritation. If you encounter this, please remove the badge and return it to school. Thank you.



PAYMENTS REMINDER

All lunches and breakfast club need to be paid for in advance. Please keep your child's Parent Pay account topped up. Please let the office know if you require a bar code letter to enable Paypoint payment. Thank you.



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



STORY TELLING SESSIONS - RECEPTION

Parents of children in Reception Classes are invited to their Story Telling Sessions on the following dates:-

Tuesday 15th October at 1.45pm

Tuesday 29th October at 1.45pm



We look forward to seeing you there. Please sign in at reception. Thank you.

LOST PROPERTY

Could you please remember to add your child's name to their jumpers, cardigans and coats. They can then be passed back to your child if found in school. Thank you.



Have a great weekend!
Mrs Evans - Head of School