

Beechwood Bulletin

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Welcome Back

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to school. I hope you all had an enjoyable half term break. It was lovely to have some warmth and sun to end the week.

It is hard to believe we are now in the final half term of the academic year. This week our Year 6's are all enjoying an action packed week, either away at Ferny Crofts or as part of our Wokingham and school based activities.

Our Year 5 pupils have also had great fun taking part in an art project titled Woven Dialogues, where they explored how weaving can be used to enhance learning and cultural expression amongst children.

Classes will now also be beginning to practice for Sports Day, which will take place on Tuesday 2nd July. This year we will be carrying out FS, KS1 and KS2 sports day all on the same day, with a family picnic and the wheel relay at lunchtime.

Please do look at the diary date section of the Bulletin as new dates are being added all the time.

Kind regards,

Miss S E Hunter,
Headteacher

Beat the Street



Star Pupils -w/c 20/05/24

Butterflies— Faye

Robins — Rocco

Rabbits— Logan L

Hedgehogs— Samyuktha

Badgers— Two pupils next week

Foxes — Eddie

Woodpeckers— Rosie

Owls— Josh

Kites— Cristian

Falcons— Olviia

Hawks — Yash & Eva

Eagles— Safwen

Well done to all of our Stars!



NOTICEBOARD

ATTENDANCE AWARD: The class with the best attendance across the whole school last week was Owls with 98.2% attendance! Well done to Owls!



PTA SCHOOL DISCO



EARRINGS

Earrings can be worn in school but please ensure these are simple studs. All earrings MUST be removed or covered (tape to be provided by parent/guardian) for PE and swimming lessons.

HAIR AND NAILS

Long hair (shoulder length and longer) should be tied up at all times. No hair colour, hair extensions or nail varnish should be worn. Hair accessories must be kept to a minimum.

Attendance

Our minimum attendance target is 96.5%. Please help us to ensure your child receives the best education by attending school regularly and being on time.

Our whole school attendance for last week was 91.1% which is unfortunately well below our target.

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have been learning about pirates. They have made telescopes, eyepatches, hats and treasure maps. In maths sessions they have been consolidating their number bonds to five and inverse number problems. In English they have been writing simple sentences about a pirate scene.

Years 1 & 2 have been working really hard practising their phonics and reading ahead of the phonics screening next week. In maths they are moving on to place value to 100. Year 2 have been busy recapping fractions and the grammar they have learnt over the year ahead of their SATS next week. In science, Year 1 and 2 have been enjoying learning about spring and finding different signs of spring in the environment.

Year 3 have been AMAZING this week as they have had to cope with lots of changes of adults whilst their teachers are supporting the Year 6 residential - we are so proud of you Year 3! In maths, they are learning about angles and turns and enjoyed making their turn-o-meters. In English, they have been exploring when to use "a" or "an" correctly and they will be learning how to identify the simple tenses. In computing they have started their programming unit on Scratch learning how to move a sprite.

Year 4 have been learning about different types of angles in maths. In English they are looking at poetry. They have started a new geography unit on the United Kingdom and in PE they are playing tennis and athletics. In PSHE they have started talking about how children are physically similar to their birth parents.

Year 5 had the amazing opportunity to participate in a collaboration with Reading University and were introduced to weaving. The students were able to create their own piece of woven fabric, which they enjoyed. In English, year 5 pupils have started their work on debating which links into art and exploring graffiti as art and as vandalism. They have been studying *The Boy at the Back of the Class*, which has had a profound effect on some of our pupils, especially as we have explored what a refugee is.

Year 6 are having a wonderful activities week both at Ferny Crofts and at school. They are developing important life skills such as resilience, teamwork, independence and determination, whilst having lots of fun. At Ferny Crofts the children are challenging themselves on high ropes, shooting and scavenger hunts. At school, they have participated in archery, tri-golf, frisbee and challenged their ability to think outside of the box with a TaskMaster challenge day - we are looking forward to our water sports day on Thursday.

House Points

**Outstanding
Oranges**
202



**Amazing
Apples**
199



**Super
Strawberries**
186



**Brilliant
Bananas**
170



Congratulations to Outstanding Oranges for collecting the most house points this week

Dates for your diary:

Monday 10th to Friday 21st June

Wednesday 12th June

Thursday 13th June

Friday 14th June

- Year 2 SATS

- Butterflies Class Assembly

- Wokingham Hub Choir Concert

- Pyjama Day to raise money for playground equipment

More details to follow

- PTA Summer Disco—FS-Yr3 6.30-7.30pm & Yr4-Yr6 7.45-8.45pm

Wednesday 19th June

- Owls Class Assembly

Monday 24th to Friday 28th June

- Year 6 Bikeability

Wednesday 26th June

- Year 6 Transition Day

Tuesday 2nd July

- Sports Day

Week beginning 8th July

- Children meet their new teachers (Monday and Thursday)

Friday 12th July

- SEND Coffee morning and reports home to parents

Friday 19th July

- Year 1/2 Trip