

# Beechwood Bulletin

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## Anti Bullying Week

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Next week, 13th -17th November is Anti Bullying Week and this years theme is 'Make a Noise About Bullying'. Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti Bullying Week as a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique. Therefore we are inviting all children, staff and parents to come to school wearing odd socks (with their regular school uniform) on Monday 13th November. These can be socks of any kind as long as they are odd. Odd Socks Day is delivered in partnership with CBeebies and CBBC star Andy Day and his band, Andy and the Odd Socks. On Monday we will also be holding a special Anti Bullying Week assembly where we will be talking about what bullying is, banter versus bullying and how children can make a noise about bullying- what they can do if banter goes to far, what to do if they know someone is being bullied, speaking to a trusted adult and showing kindness. Throughout the week children will then be engaging in lessons and activities based around Anti Bullying. All you need to do is wear odd socks!

Next Friday 17th November is also Children in Need day, Children are invited to come into school wearing Children in Need accessories, ie. headbands, badges, etc.

Kind regards,

Miss S E Hunter, Headteacher



## NOTICEBOARD

### ATTENDANCE AWARD:

The class with the best attendance across the whole school last week was Falcons with 97.9% attendance. Well done Falcons!



### POPPY APPEAL & CHILDREN IN NEED

You still have time to support Children in Need and the Poppy Appeal, the Year 6 prefects will be on the playground at the end of the school day for the rest of the week raising money for the above charities. Selling Pudsey ears (£2.50), Pudsey Bears (£5.00), Poppies (20p min donation), other poppy items (50p-£1.50 min donation).



### SCHOOL TRIPS

Please remember to make payment on Parentpay for the upcoming Year 3/4, Year 5 and Year 6 Trips. If you have any concerns regarding making payment please contact the school office.

### PARENTS EVENINGS

Please book your parents evening slots using the link sent out by text/email. In person slots are available on Monday 13th November and Online slots are available on Wednesday 15th November. Woodpeckers online slots are available on Tuesday 14th November.

## 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 92.6% which is well below our target!

### Star Pupils—w/c 30/11/23

Woodpeckers— Theo

Owls— Shafi

Kites— Hajra

Falcons— Misha

Hawks—Francesca

Eagles— Chiranth

Butterflies— Harry

Rabbits— Anne

Hedgehogs— Alayna

Badgers— Amira

Foxes— Saifan

Woodpeckers— Two star pupils next week

Owls— Shafi

Kites— Hajra

Falcons— Misha

Hawks—Francesca

Eagles— Chiranth

Well done to all of our Stars!

## Over the last week at Beechwood.....

**Foundation Stage** have been learning about Diwali by reading the story of Rama and Sita, drawing rangoli patterns and making diya lamps. In maths sessions they have learnt about triangles and circles which was linked to artwork by Kandinsky.

**Years 1 and 2** have been learning about how to write in the first person and are using this to write Samuel Pepys' diary, they have been staining paper with tea to make it look like it has come from 1666 and are very excited to publish their finished diary writing on the paper. In science they have been learning about the difference between opaque and transparent.

**Year 3** have been learning about music notation in music, using crotchet beats, semibreves, quavers and minims to write a pulse. In English, they have begun to learn about diary entries and their features and in maths, they have continued developing their confidence of addition and subtraction using written methods. In history, they have been looking at a stone age timeline and understanding how to use AD and BC dates correctly.

**Year 4** have been introduced to their new topic 'Africa' and have been reading the story 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo in guided reading. In English we have been working on using our senses to help write a setting description of an African village. In maths, we have been working on our multiplication and division skills. We have begun learning how sound is made, how it travels and how our ears hear sound in science. We look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming parent evening meetings next week.

**Year 5** have started a new unit on fractions in maths this week, and will be looking at different types of fractions and how they link to multiplication and division. In history, the children looked at punishment during the Roman times and the laws of the twelve tables. In music, the children have been finding out about the Ancient Chinese tea ceremony and have been practising actions that go with the music.

**Year 6** have continued our work on fractions in maths and have been adding and subtracting mixed number fractions with different denominators. In reading, we have started Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman and have judged the book by its cover. In art, we have explored shading with different types of sketching pencils and in computing we have learned about how data is transferred over the internet.

### House Points

**Outstanding  
Oranges**  
214



**Amazing  
Apples**  
215



**Super  
Strawberries**  
243



**Brilliant  
Bananas**  
317



**Congratulations to Brilliant Bananas for collecting the most house points this week**

### Dates for your diary:

Friday 10th November	— Remembrance Service at Woodford Park War Memorial—whole school
Monday 13th November	— Parents Evening 3.30-6.00pm in school
	— Odd Socks Day <b>NEW</b>
Wednesday 15th November	— Parents Evening 5.30-7.30pm online
Thursday 16th November	— Vision Screening for FS
Friday 17th November	— Children in Need
Wednesday 22nd November	— FS library visit
	Badgers Class Assembly @2.30pm
Thursday 23rd November	— Open Morning for prospective parents (booking required)
Friday 24th November	— Year 3/4 Trip to Butser Farm
Tuesday 28th November	— Year 5 Trip to Winchester Science Museum
Wednesday 29th November	— Year 1 Scooter training (free) within school
	— Kites Class Assembly <b>REARRANGED—NEW</b>
Wednesday 6th December	— Open Morning for prospective parents (booking required)
Thursday 7th December	— Year 6 Trip to Bletchley Park
	— FS Nativity Performance 2pm <b>NEW—More details to follow</b>
Friday 15th December	— <b>End of Term</b>