

Beechwood Bulletin

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Champions!



Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we draw this very productive half term to a close, I am delighted to share with you the news that the Football team were victorious in the final of the Wokingham Spring Shield, beating Nine Mile Ride 3-2.

In a nail-biting match held at The Emmbrook School, Beechwood went 2-0 up in the first half thanks to two great shots by Jack with Nine Mile Ride scoring shortly before half-time. The opposing team certainly put the pressure on with their physical play, scoring an equaliser with around 10 minutes to go.

With much grit and determination, Beechwood held their nerve and continued to attack, with a brilliant header from captain Braxton securing the win. Congratulations to Osman, Levy, Hudson, Jack, Braxton, Phoenix, Reuben, Jaiarna, Henley, Boston, Grace, Arjun, Darius, Amjad and Riley for all their hard work and commitment throughout the competition. A special thank you must go to Mr Christian who kindly volunteered to step in as team coach for yesterday's match. His steady and supportive influence was certainly much appreciated. Thanks too, to all who came to cheer the team on both yesterday and in previous matches. We are looking forward to many more wins in years to come!

It's been a sporting week all round, with many classes heading over to participate in the Woodley Sports Week activities. We work hard in our curriculum to teach children the benefits of physical activity so it is great to be able to see so many of them getting involved in sport.

On a final note, we were visited yesterday by the Frays Teaching and Learning team and one of Wokingham's School Improvement Officers and I am delighted to report that they were very positive in their feedback about how the school is moving forward.

Wishing you a restful half term,

L. Quinell

Ms Quinell



NOTICEBOARD

ATTENDANCE AWARD:

The classes with the best attendance across the whole school last week were Eagles with 98%. Well done Eagles.



LOWER SCHOOL BOOK-

WORMS:

Well done to Robins who were top book-worms again last week.



PUNCTUALITY UPDATE:

Total minutes late between 13.05.25 and 20.05.25 was 811, which is 28 late minutes down from 839 the previous week which is a step in the right direction.

Please ensure you do all you can so your children are in their classrooms by 8.50am.

MANY THANKS FROM MRS MINTER:

Mrs Minter embarked on a "Moonwalk" through the night on Saturday, walking an impressive 26.2 miles to raise money for Breast Cancer Research, she would like to pass on her heartfelt thanks to all who donated to this brilliant cause, her team raised over £3,000.00!

YEAR 5—THANK YOU!

Mrs Haywood would like to say a massive thank you to Year 5 for stepping up to cover whilst the Year 6's were engaged with their SATs exams. You were all very prompt and extremely helpful! Well done!



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 the last week of term was 93.2% which unfortunately is well below our target.

Star Pupils -w/c 12/05/25

Butterflies— Reggie

Robins — Oscar

Hedgehogs— Presley

Badgers — Two star pupils next week

Foxes — Illia & Lanina

Woodpeckers— Shanaya

Owls— Finley

Kites— Mahnoor

Falcons— Elsa

Hawks— Whole class

Eagles— Whole class

Well done to all of our Stars!

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage had a very exciting visit from some firefighters yesterday. Our visit was rearranged from when we were learning about firefighters before Easter, but the children were still very excited, exploring what is in the fire engine, as well as sitting inside and even having a go at squirting the hose! This week we have also been learning about butterflies and in literacy we wrote riddles about minibeasts. Well done on a super half term Butterflies!

Year 1 This week the children have been writing their innovated version of The Magic Paintbrush in English. In Maths they have finished a fraction unit by learning how to recognise and find halves and quarters in shapes and different quantities. The Robins enjoyed their Art session where they explored Aboriginal Australian styles of painting by using paint and a cotton wood bud. In PSHE they learnt about road safety and in Computing they practised writing sentences by using a variety of letter, backspace, enter and a space bar keys.

Years 2 and 3 have had fun in English this week, creating and describing their own mythical creatures. In Maths, both years are learning to tell the time, Year 3 have also been using roman numerals and am/pm. We completed our Science unit on animals and humans and our Geography unit on modern day Greece. Next half term we will be learning about forces and magnets in Science and in History - Ancient Greece, including how people lived and the first Olympic games. Both year groups had a great time at the Woodley Sports event and we were proud of the great sportsmanship they all showed!

Year 4 have been working hard this week. In English we have planned our independent write about a Viking Voyage. In Maths we have been comparing, ordering and rounding decimals. In science we tested different materials to see whether they were an insulator or a conductor. In Computing, we have been editing digital images by cropping, rotating, adding filters and re-sizing.

Year 5 have had fun drawing themselves in the Renaissance art style, using symbols to represent their personalities and hobbies. In Maths, they have begun their new topic of decimals, building on their learning from earlier on in the year. Finally, in Music they have been composing music inspired by Northern Indian Classical music.

Year 6 have been immersing themselves in preparation for their independent write this week. Focusing on a short film called "Broken" they have been adding dialogue to the characters: Rock, Paper, Scissors. Following auditions on Monday we really appreciated the hard work that pupils have put in as well as their bravery and courage to do this for the first time. Congratulations on your parts and well done!

House Points

**Outstanding
Oranges**
82



**Amazing
Apples**
104



**Super
Strawberries**
107



**Brilliant
Bananas**
75



**Congratulations to Super Strawberries for collecting the most house points
in the last week of term!**

Dates for your diary:

Monday 26th—Friday 30th May

— **Half Term**

Monday 2nd June

— **Inset Day**

Wednesday 11th June

— Robins Class Assembly - 2.30pm

Thursday 26th June

— Year 6 Trip

Tuesday 1st July

— Year 6 Leavers Production—1.45pm

Wednesday 2nd July

— Butterflies Class Assembly—2.30pm

— Year 6 Leavers Production—6.00pm

Thursday 3rd July

— Sports Day

Thursday 10th July

— Sports Day, backup day

Friday 18th July

— Year 6 Leavers Evening—3.30-6.00pm

Monday 21st July

— Year 6 Leavers Assembly—9.30am

Tuesday 22nd July

— **End of Term—1.15pm**