

Beechwood Bulletin

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Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to school after what I hope was a relaxing and restful summer break.

It was lovely to welcome our new Reception cohort last week, all looking very smart and ready to start school. We have had many new starters into various year groups and we warmly welcome them to our community, as we do with Mr Hamilton, Miss Smith and Mrs Fields, our new teaching staff.

Thank you to all who have made efforts with attendance, punctuality and uniform in the first few days back. It makes a real difference so please keep it up!

Please note that now we are in a new school year, we will be reviewing permission for use of our shared car park, so look out for further communications if you currently have a permit.

You may have noticed that Mr Holloway has been very busy over the holiday making preparations for our Memorial Garden to remember Mrs Jones, we look forward to it opening in the coming months.

Wishing you a pleasant week,

Kind regards

Ms Quinell



NOTICEBOARD

DROP OFF TIME:

The main gate opens at 8.35am and closes at 8.50am enabling you to drop off your child at any point within this time. The gate promptly closes at 8.50am. If your child arrives after 8.50am then they will not be able to come into school via the main gate but should instead come in through the main office and will receive a late mark. Please ensure you sign your child in if they have come in through the office.

LYTHAM ROAD & HEADLEY ROAD CAR PARK

PERMIT:

A reminder that a car park permit form is available from our website and reception area. Please park responsibly and respectfully in the local area if you are not using the local car parks. Ambleside Close is a **NO PARKING** road and children should not be dropped off here. Please note the school car park is for **STAFF ONLY**, Parents/Guardians are not permitted to park here without prior permission from the school.



HEAD BUMP TEXT:

Please be advised, should your child have a minor bump to their head (such as a light head bump with another child) we will text you to let you know. A head injury form will also be completed and given to your child to bring home, and your child will be monitored. Please be assured we will always call you for a more significant head bump or injury, and if we had any concerns.



EQUIPMENT:

Please ensure your child comes into school each day with a named water bottle and a packed lunch if they are not having a hot meal. Just to remind you we are a **NUT FREE** school. Therefore no nut products should be brought into school. This includes Nutella and similar choco-nut sandwich fillings. Many thanks



Class Star Pupils will start next week



ATTENDANCE

Thank you for a very positive start to term with minimal absences each day so far.

We hope to maintain this throughout the Autumn term with your support and aim to be above our percentage target each week when we publish the figures.

JUST TO REMIND YOU THAT IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE ABSENT, PLEASE EITHER LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE ABSENCE LINE OR EMAIL THE OFFICE BY 9.30am.

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have been settling in and getting to know their classroom. They have been enjoying playing both inside and outside, and have been particularly enjoying the mud kitchen and animals. They have been learning new routines and have been practising writing their name and recognising them around the environment. Next week, we will be starting our topic of 'We Are Unique'. Don't forget to send in your baby photos.

Year 1 have settled really well and are getting more familiar with routine in KS1. Well done Robins, we are so proud of you all! In English we have been learning about our class animal. The children have labelled parts of Robins and wrote some fact files about them. In Maths we have been counting and representing objects within a group of 10. We had fun practising ball skills in our first PE lesson.

Year 2 have settled well into their new class. In English we are revisiting grammar and sentence structure, while in Maths we have begun our unit on place value, counting in tens and ones. In Science we have looked at different materials and will be exploring the properties of these over the coming weeks. The children are excited by this term's topic - The Great Fire Of London!

Year 3 had a fantastic first week back! We got to know each other by sharing our summer news and dived into our new topics. In English, we began reading 'The Stolen Spear' and recapped our SPAG skills. In Maths, we started our Place Value unit and explored tens and ones. We also had our first French lesson, learned about the Stone Age in History, and even had a pretend special 'visitor' from the past! It's been an action-packed week and we're looking forward to seeing what the rest of the year holds!

Year 4 have really impressed us with the way they have settled into their new Year 4 classes and routines. We have begun our Maths unit of 'Place value' and have been deconstructing, representing and discussing numbers to 1,000. The children began their Science unit with an experiment based on the human digestion system. We are reading a book all about the Romans in our guided reading sessions and the children are learning all about the roles different people played in the Roman Empire.

Year 5 have had a positive start to the year. They have started to look at 'Place Value of Punctuation and Grammar' in their English lessons. In Science, the children looked at the planets in our solar-system. Today, the children have begun their Art unit 'Futuristic Art'. We are very impressed with how hard the children are working in class.

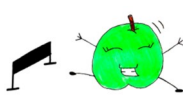
Year 6 have had a great start to the year. We read the book 'The Dot' and wrote diary entries from the perspective of the main character. We have also started reading 'The Midnight Guardians' - the book that we will be basing Guided Reading lessons on. Within Maths, we are learning about numbers up to 10,000,000 - including the values of each digit. We are looking forward to learning about the Battle of Britain over the coming weeks.

House Points

**Outstanding
Oranges**



**Amazing
Apples**



**Super
Strawberries**



**Brilliant
Bananas**



House Point totals will start next week

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 16th September	— Meet the Teacher Sessions—3.15-3.45pm Year 6 SATS information meeting—3.45pm
Wednesday 24th September	— Great Athletes Events <u>INFORMATION COMING HOME TONIGHT</u>
Thursday 25th September	— Year 1 Scooter Training <u>MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW</u>
Monday 6th October	— FS, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Harvest Church Service
Wednesday 8th October	— Send Coffee Morning—9.45—10.30am
Monday 13th—Friday 17th Oct	— Year 6 Residential/Activity Week
Monday 20th October	— Open Morning for Prospective Parents—9.30-11.00am (booking required)
Wednesday 22nd October	— Nasal Flu Vaccinations <u>MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW</u>
Monday 27th —Friday 31st Oct	— HALF TERM
Mon 10th & Wed 12th November	— Parents evening—in person—3.30-6.00pm <u>BOOKING INFO TO FOLLOW AT A LATER DATE</u>
Tues 11th—Tues 18th November	— Book Fair
Thursday 13th November	— Open Morning for Prospective Parents—9.30-11.00am (booking required)
Wednesday 19th November	— Hawks Class Assembly @ 2.30pm
Thursday 27th November	— Open Morning for prospective parents—9.30-11.00am (booking required)
Wednesday 3rd November	— Owls Class Assembly -@ 2.30pm
Monday 8th December	— Open Morning for prospective parents—9.30-11.00am (booking required)
Friday 12th December	— Send Coffee Morning—9.45—10.30am
Tuesday 16th December	— KS2 (Years 3-6) Christmas Church Service
Friday 19th December	— END OF TERM - 1.15pm