Beechwood Bullet

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NOTICEBOARD

ATTENDANCE AWARD:

The classes with the best attendance across the whole school last week were Woodpeckers with 98.3%. Well done Woodpeckers.



LOWER SCHOOL BOOKWORMS:

Well done to Robins who were top bookworms again last week.

PUNCTUALITY UPDATE:

Total minutes late between 07.05.25 and 13.05.25 was 839, which is 194 late minutes up from 645 the previous week which is unfortunately disappointing.

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

CURRICULUM OVERVIEWS:

The Summer Term Curriculum Overviews are available from our website please click on the following link to access:

Curriculum Overviews

REMINDER CENSUS DAY:

Tomorrow the meal options will be:

Fish fingers or Cheese & Bean Pasty both served with Chips & Tomato Sauce or Jacket Potato with Beans.

Please encourage your child to have a school dinner. This is particularly important for EYFS-Year2 and free school meals children, as the school receives funding based on the number of children who take a hot dinner option on this day. Thank you

Mental Health Awareness

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is yet another packed week at school this week and my first job is to congratulate the Year 6 pupils on how calmly and resolutely they are approaching their SATs tests. As I said last week, whilst we strive for academic excellence at school, we are as proud of the children's efforts as we are of their attainment.

Speaking of exceptional attainment, our football team are taking part in the Spring Shield final against Nile Mile Ride on Monday afternoon at Emmbrook Senior School. I know you will be excellent sporting ambassadors as always!

This week is Mental Health Awareness week and so it feels appropriate to remind parents that our school staff are humans as well as professionals. There have been several instances in recent weeks of parents behaving in a way which goes against our Parent Code of Conduct (attached). Whilst these incidents form a tiny proportion of our interactions, they do stack on each other and can easily take a toll. Please bear this in mind when interacting with school staff, on the phone, via email and in person. We will always strive to resolve any concerns that are raised with us, so please do so in an appropriate manner. Thank you to the vast majority of our community supporting us to maintain a pleasant and respectful work environment.

Wishing you a pleasant week,

L. Ownell

Ms Quinell

********** Star Pupils -w/c 05/05/25

Butterflies— Emel

Robins — Saifullah Hedgehogs— William

Badgers — Angelo

Foxes — Two pupils next week Woodpeckers-Ollie

Owls— Tara

Kites— Bella-Rae

Falcons— Heitor Hawks— Harsirath

Mental Health

Eagles — Sophie

Well done to all of our Stars!

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 95.8% which unfortunately has slipped back below our target

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

Foundation Stage have been learning all about insects that fly this week, in "Understanding the World" we have been learning about the importance of bees, we have also been creating our own bees out of egg cartons and in Drawing Club we have been using the text 'The Giant Jam Sandwich'. We have also been very excited to see our Butterflies emerging from their chrysalis and can't wait to release them very soon!

Year 1 In English we have compared a school day in China to a day at Beechwood. We learnt lots of facts about giant pandas and now we are reading a Chinese folk tale 'The Magic Paintbrush'. In Maths we have finished a multiplication and division unit and we will be moving on to fractions. We planted some runner beans during Science and we will be observing them for a few days and recording a bean diary to see what parts of the plant we can see and in what order they are growing.

Years 2 and 3 In English Year 2/3 have started their unit on Greek myths and have been using adjectives and adverbs to describe mythological creatures like the Minotaur. In maths Year 2 completed their unit on Fractions and will be moving onto time, while Year 3 are leaning to represent numbers using Roman numerals and tell the time with these. In Science we planned a balanced meal using the 'Eatwell' plate to ensure we had foods from each group and in Geography we learned about the features and attractions of Athens.

Year 4 have started their English unit about Vikings and are building up the skills needed to write a recount of a voyage. In Maths we have continued our learning about decimals and furthering skills with making 1 using tenths and hundredths. In History we have studied about Dane-geld and what this meant for the Vikings. In PE we have started learning about dodgeball and have began to play matches.

Year 5 have begun to look at the Shakespeare play: Macbeth in reading and in English. They have enjoyed meeting the witches and learning about the characters. In Art, they enjoyed drawing like Michelangelo under the table after learning about the Sistine Chapel. Finally, in Maths they have been learning about coordinates and translation.

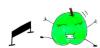
Year 6 Our amazing Year 6's have worked their socks off this week and have nearly completed their SATs! What an amazing group of people - congratulations! You should all be really PROUD of YOUR efforts. We have thoroughly enjoyed having breakfast club with you and are looking forward to a trip to the park with treats. Our Year 6 learners have also been introduced to Hokusai in art this week and have practiced asking for and giving directions in French. Don't forget next week we are beginning auditions for performing parts in the Year 6 production 'School O'Vision'.

House Points

Outstanding Oranges 124



Amaz<u>ing</u>



Super Strawberries 142





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

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 3rd July

Thursday 10th July

Friday 18th July

Monday 21st July

Wednesday 21st May School Class Photos

- SEN Coffee Morning - 9.45-10.30am

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

Sports Day

Sports Day, backup day

— Year 6 Leavers Evening—3.30-6.00pm — Year 6 Leavers Assembly—9.30am

Tuesday 22nd July — End of Term—1.15pm