

Beechwood Bulletin

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Another busy week

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you all had a wonderful Bank Holiday.

We've had another busy week in school and things show no sign of slowing down!

We are looking forward to commemorating the 80th anniversary of VE day tomorrow by inviting children to come wearing red, white and blue, if they wish.

Good luck to all the Y6 children taking their SATs tests next week - remember that academic success is important, but is just a small part of who you are as a person, and you are all wonderful humans. At Beechwood, we try our hardest in everything we do, so sleep well, eat well and give it your best!

Well done to all those children who are reading daily at home. It makes such a difference to our education and general knowledge if we read widely. The children are enjoying their weekly visits to the school library - it's a beautiful space to share a story in. Please continue to read with your children at home and encourage them to read to themselves, their siblings or even a family pet!

Have a pleasant rest of week,

L. Quinell

Ms Quinell



Star Pupils -w/c 28/04/25

Butterflies— Rufus
Robins — Savannah & Ahmed
Hedgehogs— Yahia
Badgers — Aishvi & Caleb
Foxes — Somaya
Woodpeckers— Adam

Owls— Prince
Kites— Arabella
Falcons— Talal
Hawks— Dunsin
Eagles— Ibrahim

Well done to all of our Stars!



NOTICEBOARD

ATTENDANCE AWARD:

The classes with the best attendance across the whole school last week were Robins with an amazing 100%. Well done Robins, this is a fantastic achievement and our first 100% attendance this academic year!



LOWER SCHOOL BOOKWORMS:

Well done to Robins who were top bookworms last week.



PUNCTUALITY UPDATE:

Total minutes late between 30.04.25 and 06.05.25 was 645, which is 24 late minutes down from 669 the previous week which is another step in the right direction.



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

VE CELEBRATION NON-UNIFORM DAY:

Reminder, children are welcome to come into school tomorrow dressed in Red, White & Blue to celebrate VE Day 80th Anniversary, alternatively children can wear their usual school uniform or PE kit if they do not wish to participate.



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 96.9% which is just over our target which is fantastic! Keep up the good work!

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have been investigating spiders and worms this week. We have learnt about why worms live underground and why spiders make their webs. We have also been super writers this week and started our new writing challenge, writing 'I can see...' sentences about what we can see in the garden. In Maths we have been learning about sharing into equal groups. We are also continuing to observe our caterpillars, which are now all in their cocoons as well as watching our beanstalks grow.

Year 1 have travelled to China today in English. The children learnt about a school day in China and compared it to a school day at Beechwood. In PSHE we discussed how balanced diet, sleep, drinking water and doing exercise keep us healthy. In Computing Robins learnt how to use some parts of the keyboard for removing and adding text.

Years 2 and 3 have followed on from writing to persuade holiday makers to go to Greece by writing to persuade people to come to Woodley! In Maths, Year 2 are continuing their unit on fractions while Year 3 have begun their unit on money. In Science we have looked at the different food groups that humans eat and analysed the nutrition labels on food packaging to see which foods are healthy. In Geography we have looked at the different landscapes in Greece.

Year 4 have been continuing their learning about decimals in Maths. We have began our independent writing in English about the story feast. We have been building circuits in Science and learnt what the key components of circuits are. In PE we have continued our learning of key skills used in Rounders.

Year 5 have been looking at life cycles in Science, comparing different cycles like amphibians and mammals to see the similarities and differences between them. In Maths, they have been using protractors to measure angles and have also looked at properties of 3D shapes. Finally, in History they have been looking at how the population of Reading has changed over the years.

Year 6 have started in English with planning an independent newspaper or live-blog piece of writing on Junko Tabei, the first woman to summit Everest. They continue to revise, practice exam technique and plug gaps of knowledge they have in Spelling, Grammar and Maths. In computing, they have been learning about copywriting and in French, pupils are on their way to giving directions to different shops and amenities in the town.

House Points

**Outstanding
Oranges**
129



**Amazing
Apples**
127



**Super
Strawberries**
87



**Brilliant
Bananas**
107



Congratulations to Outstanding Oranges for collecting the most house points in the last week of term!

Dates for your diary:

Monday 12th—Friday 16th May

Thursday 15th May

Wednesday 21st May

— KS2 SATS

— Census Day

— School Class Photos

— SEN Coffee Morning - 9.45-10.30am

Monday 26th—Friday 30th May

Monday 2nd June

— **Half Term**

— **Inset Day**

Wednesday 11th June

Thursday 26th June

Tuesday 1st July

Wednesday 2nd July

— Robins Class Assembly - 2.30pm

— Year 6 Trip **More details to follow**

— Year 6 Leavers Production—1.45pm

— Butterflies Class Assembly—2.30pm

— Year 6 Leavers Production—6.00pm

Thursday 3rd July

Thursday 10th July

Friday 18th July

Monday 21st July

— 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 NEW**