

Beechwood Bulletin

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Parking Concerns



Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is with growing concern that I write yet again to raise awareness of the risks posed by parents and guardians who continue to park in Ambleside Close, or drop off either on Ambleside Close or in the turning circle at the top of the road. Over the last few days I have witnessed multiple altercations between drivers and residents and several near misses with cars stopping or moving off without properly looking.

The signs clearly state that there is no parking anywhere on Ambleside Close Monday - Friday 8am - 5pm and no stopping on the zig zag lines. The turning circle SHOULD NOT be used as a drop off area. This is not what it is designed for. Our local traffic warden has issued several tickets over the last few days and has assured us he will continue to do so.

Dropping off in the turning circle or parking / stopping on the pavement is extremely dangerous and I urge parents and guardians to use the Headley Road car park or the parking on Arundel Road.

A huge thank you, once again, to all who drop off and collect respectfully and responsibly.

In lighter news, we are delighted to announce our Pupil Leadership team for 2025 - 2026.

Congratulations to Head Boy Rowan; Head Girl Rosie; Head Perfect Autumn and House Captains Vihaan, Lyla, Osman, Sahasra, Hashim, Wiktorja, Zoya and Elsa. We look forward to seeing all you achieve in your roles this year.

Kind regards

Ms Quinell



NOTICEBOARD

ATTENDANCE AWARD:

The class with the best attendance across the whole school last week was Butterflies with 100%. Well done Butterflies, who a great start to your first year at school! Keep up the good work!



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

Please see our website for details of the after school clubs we have available this term —

[Beechwood Clubs](#)

LUNCHBOX GUIDELINES:

Packed lunches can include:

- ☑ Sandwiches/ wraps/ pitta bread or a pasta/ rice alternative
- ☑ Healthy snack (e.g. cereal bar (no nuts), carrot sticks)
- ☑ Savoury snack (e.g. sausage roll, cracker biscuits)
- ☑ Pieces of fruit
- ☑ Yogurt
- ☑ 1 packet of crisps
- ☑ 1 small sweet biscuit bar

Packed lunches should not include:

- ☑ Nuts
- ☑ Fizzy drinks or energy drinks
- ☑ High sugar drinks or glass bottles
- ☑ Sweets/ confectionary items
- ☑ Cold leftover takeaway food



UNIFORM:

Please ensure your child's uniform is named, also ensure that if your child has brought home someone else's named uniform this is returned to school as soon as possible.

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 was 96.4% which is only just below our target and a good start.

Star Pupils -w/c 08/09/25

Robins — Eden

Foxes — Remy

Badgers — Millie

Woodpeckers — Albie

Owls — Whole Class

Kites — Konni

Falcons — Maisy

Hawks — Kseniia

Eagles — Arabella

Well done to all of our Stars!

Over the last week at Beechwood.....

Foundation Stage have enjoyed starting drawing club where we have been drawing Humpty Dumpty as well as thinking about how else the kings men can get to Humpty quickly. We have also been learning about parts of the body and have been drawing self portraits.

Year 1 have started our first transcription unit based on the book Monkey Puzzle in English. The children have been re-telling the story and writing labels, captions and lists for different animals. In Science we talked about our main body parts and labelled them on the human body outline. We enjoyed our music lessons, recognising different pitch and playing to different tempos.

Year 2 we have continued building our sentence writing skills in English, recognizing nouns, adjectives and verbs. In Maths we have been partitioning numbers to 100 using base ten. We had an exciting introduction to our Science unit of materials where the children drew 'material munching monsters' then found items made of their favourite food to eat! In History we have learned about the sequence of events that led to and occurred during the Great Fire of London.

Year 3 have had a busy second week diving into exciting new topics In Science, we began exploring our new topic: *Animals Including Humans*. We looked at different types of skeletons and even sang a catchy song to help us remember the names of our bones. In Maths, we continued our *Place Value* unit, working with numbers in the hundreds. We also explored number lines to 100, learning how to calculate intervals and estimate positions. In English, we started looking at *instructional writing* through our new class book *How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth*. The children have really enjoyed the humour in the text and are beginning to understand the features of good instructions. In History, we continued learning about the Stone Age. A real highlight was getting to hold and examine a real fossil spearhead discovered by archaeologists – an unforgettable hands-on experience!

Year 4 have been very busy using resources in Maths this week to help with partitioning numbers to 10,000. In English we are using the city of Pompeii as our inspiration for writing a setting description. In Science, we will be learning all about our teeth and how each type of tooth has a different function. We have been talking about how it feels to belong to a group in PSHE and have been relating this to belonging to our class.

Year 5 have been settling in fantastically well - we are very proud of them! The children have been excited to learn more about Space in Science. This week we learnt about the Earth being a sphere. In Geography, we learnt about the UK's biome and various ecosystems. Maths has been all about place value and ensuring we know how to read and write numbers to 1,000,000. In English, we have started to learn about audience and purpose.

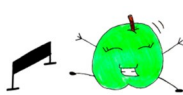
Year 6 have been writing a non-chronological report about the thanator, a creature from Pandora. In Maths we have continued developing our place value knowledge up to 10 million, including ordering and comparing numbers. Within our History lesson, we have learnt what events caused the Battle of Britain and in Computing we are learning how variables can be used when programming in order to keep scores in a game. We are continuing to read the Midnight Guardians, a book based around an evacuee during WW2.

House Points

Outstanding Oranges



Amazing Apples



Super Strawberries



Brilliant Bananas



Our new house captains will start collating the house points next week

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 24th September	— Great Athletes Events
Thursday 25th September	— Year 1 Scooter Training <u>MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW</u>
Thursday 2nd October	— Census Day - change of menu to Fish and Chips <u>NEW</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
Thursday 9th October	— Year 5 walk to Highwood <u>NEW—FURTHER DETAILS TO FOLLOW</u>
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
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