



Beechwood Newsletter

"Living, learning and thriving"

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BEAM HOUSE RESIDENTIAL - YEAR 5



Last Wednesday, Ms Reed and Mr Harris took 26 Year 5 children away for a three-day residential adventure at PGL's Beam House in North Devon. We were joined by year 5 children and staff from Weston Mill and Oakwood, allowing the children to extend their friendships across the Academy.

The children braved the elements to take part in a range of activities designed to test their resilience – abseiling, climbing, fencing, survival, street surfing and archery. They were also treated to a game of Cludo and songs around the camp fire in the dark.

Beechwood children made us very proud by trying out new things, taking part in all the activities and digging deep in order to face and overcome their personal fears. As staff, it was really lovely to see the children shining in a new light.

Thank you to all of you for making it such a fun trip.





Mrs K Daw

The Hut

"Helping Us Thrive"



Mrs A Bennison

I am sure by now you will have heard the children talking about The Hut. The aim of this area is to allow children time to talk and for groups of children to be timetabled during the week to help with developing their social skills, managing and understanding their emotions or for some just by providing a quiet space away from the busy playground.

The Hut is open at break and lunchtimes and can be accessed by any of the children. The Hut is staffed by Miss Daw and Miss Bennison, who have been appointed specifically to support children in the Hut.

We are sure it will be an invaluable resource for the school and that the children will thrive as a result.

SCHOOL CHAMPIONS

Last week, Mr Hocking had the pleasure in taking two of our new School Champions to the Plymouth City Council Chambers.

During the day, the children were able to discuss and vote on the six priorities the Youth Council would like to work on this coming year.

Bethany and Emerson are looking forward to sharing their day and ideas with their fellow School Champions.

Both children represented Beechwood impeccably, well done!



Children's Minds-Families Matter

Hosted by Routeways & Plymouth Parent Carer Voice
with Ruth Houghton CAMHS Community team
James Cook Child Development Centre

Free activity, support & participation group for families
supporting young people with mental and emotional health issues

2nd Saturday of every month
2-4 pm
Devonport Park Activity Centre,
Fore Street
Plymouth PL1 4BU

Contact Rose Taylor at Routeways 01752 856719

September 14th Change & transitions.	October 12th Behaviour strategies.	November 9th Understanding emotions & feelings.
December 14th Resources & groups available locally.	January 11th Puberty, relationships & how to have THAT talk.	February 8th Eating.
March 14th Sleeping.	April 14th NO SESSION Easter Weekend	May 9th Planning for Summer holidays, transitions & activities.
June 11th Online safety	July 11th End of year celebration and planning ahead	August NO SESSION SCHOOL

STORY TELLING SESSIONS - RECEPTION

Parents of children in Reception Classes are invited to their Story Telling Sessions on the following dates:-

Tuesday 8th October at 1.45pm
Tuesday 15th October at 1.45pm
Tuesday 29th October at 1.45pm



We look forward to seeing you there. Please sign in at reception. Thank you.

NURSERY

Nursery would appreciate donations of old Birthday cards for the children to cut up, Also any Little Tyke cars that need a new home would be gratefully received. Thank you.

PAYMENTS REMINDER

All lunches and breakfast club need to be paid for in advance. Please keep your child's Parent Pay account topped up. Please let the office know if you require a bar code letter to enable Paypoint payment. Thank you.



SPARE CLOTHING

KS1 would appreciate any spare boys and girls pants. Also any spare PE kit for classrooms would be appreciated. Thank you.



DIARY DATES

(These dates may be subject to change)



2019/2020

Tues 8th Oct	Story Telling Session - Rec - 1.45pm
Fri 11th Oct	Turing Class Assembly (Yr6) - 9am
Tues 15th Oct	Story Telling Session - Rec - 1.45pm
Fri 18th Oct	Mufti
Fri 18th Oct	Nash Class Assembly (Yr2) - 9am
Mon 21st Oct to	Fri 25th Oct - HALF TERM
Tues 29th Oct	Story Telling Session - Rec - 1.45pm
Mon 4th Nov	Individual Photographs
Fri 8th Nov	Carroll Class Assembly (Yr3) - 9am
Mon 11th Nov	Grandparent's Lunch - Rec/KS1
Mon 11th Nov	Grandparent's Lunch KS2
Tues 12th Nov	Venn Class Assembly (Yr5) - 9am
Fri 15th Nov	Flu Vaccination Visit
Tues 19th Nov	Pythagoras Class Assembly - 9am
Fri 22nd Nov	Mufti
Wed 27th Nov	Non Pupil Day
Thurs 28th Nov	Non Pupil Day
Fri 29th Nov	Plato Class Assembly (Yr1) - 9am
Fri 6th Dec	Nethercott Farm (Year 4)
Fri 6th Dec	Dental Visit - Rec/Yr 1
Tues 10th Dec	Decorations Afternoon - TBA
Mon 16th Dec	Children's Christmas Lunch
Wed 18th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 20th Dec	Christmas Sing-a-long Assembly
Fri 20th Dec	School closes for Christmas Hols
Mon 23rd Dec to	Fri 3rd Jan - CHRISTMAS BREAK
Thurs 13th Feb	London Trip - Yr 6
Mon 17th Feb to	Fri 21st Feb - HALF TERM
Mon 30th Mar to	Mon 13th April - EASTER BREAK
Mon 4th May	Non Pupil Day
Fri 8th May	VE Day Bank Holiday
Mon 25th May to	Fri 29th May - HALF TERM
	Summer Holidays Begin

BEECHWOOD BUDDIES DIARY DATES

Wednesday 16th October
Spooky Disco
4.15 to 5.30 pm
Thursday 21st November
Magic Show
4.00 to 5.00 pm
Monday 16th December
Santa Disco
4.15 to 5.30 pm



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORT

Could children who hold a University Passport please bring them into school (Tao Class) so that Mrs Francis can check your hours in preparation for the next Graduation.



FLU VACCINATIONS - ELECTRONIC CONSENT LINK

Please follow the link and complete the consent form if you wish your child to receive their flu vaccination in school on Tuesday 19th November. **Deadline : 27th October 2019.**

<https://schoolimms.virginicare.co.uk/flu/2019/devon>



We did not have any suggestions in the ideas and suggestions box this week.



ATTENDANCE

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the attendance for week beginning **23rd September 2018.**

Archimedes	97.5%
Plato	96.3%
Nash	97.0%
Pascal	97.3%
Aristotle	97.3%
Lovelace	94.4%
Johnson	97.2%
Carroll	90.7%
Boole	98.5%
Pythagoras	92.6%
Venn	96.3%
Kelvin	98.9%
Turing	94.7%
Tao	98.0%

Well done!

The winners will receive the Attendance Cup

WINNERS



TURING (YEAR 6) CLASS ASSEMBLY

Parents of children in Turing Class are invited to their assembly on **Friday 11th October at 9.00am.**

We look forward to seeing you there. Please use the black gate entrance by the main entrance.

Thank you.



SCHOOL COATS

Could you please ensure your children have their coats in school each day as the weather is still very changeable. Thank you.



HARVEST ASSEMBLY

We would like to thank families who were able to donate food for our Harvest Assembly. All donated food will be forwarded to The Shekinah Mission. Thank you.



MAKE AMENDS

Restorative Justice Service
Shekinah

Shekinah are interested to hear from people affected by the criminal justice system, whether you have committed an offence or whether you are a family member who has been affected by the system. Please complete the questionnaire attached to this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/62NV5W7>

Have a great weekend!
Mrs Evans - Head of School