



# Beechwood Newsletter

"Living, learning and thriving"

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## 4th April 2019

### PLYMOUTH PLASTIC AND PLANET CONFERENCE



Last Thursday, twelve children from Beechwood attended the Plastic Free Conference at the Plymouth Council Chambers. With the Lord Mayor, City Councillors and over 25 other Plymouth schools in attendance, Beechwood played a leading role. One of our children from Year 6 was the Vice Chair with a former student chairing the meeting.

Our students stood up in front of packed Council Chambers and presented Beechwood Academies Single-use Plastic Free Journey.

The questions and answer session at the end of the presentation showed the level of interest sparked by our pupils. Feedback from other schools was amazing and Surfers Against Sewage gave us a special mention.

A brilliant conference with Beechwood taking lead roles!

A job well done from a very proud Mrs Evans and Mr Hocking.



*We look forward to seeing you back in school on **Wednesday 24th April.***



## PLYMOUTH HOE TRIP - YEAR 5

On Monday, we walked up to the Park and Ride station and waited for a bus to arrive. Eventually, when the bus came we got on and bought our tickets. Some of us went to sit at the top of the bus, some of us sat at the bottom — our bus travel had begun - we were on our way into town!

Shortly after, we arrived in town, we walked from Royal Parade up to the Plymouth Hoe and had an early lunch! We all had a lovely picnic on a patch of grass!

After lunch, we made our way over the Hoe Promenade and explored Drakes Island and Smeaton's Tower. We gathered lots of information about the different things to do and see at Plymouth Hoe and created a fact-file about Sir Francis Drake. We then drafted a leaflet ensuring we included all the exciting things that we could do on Plymouth Hoe.

Finally, we all walked to the ice cream van and enjoyed an ice cream! There were lots of different types on offer—some of us enjoyed some sherbet and fudge on top of our cones!

Then, once we were finished, we had one last look at the monuments before we began our journeys home.



## CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

This week, we have been celebrating our Charismatic Characters through the Children's University programme. Children that learn outside of lesson time - taking part in school clubs or clubs outside of school - are working towards Children's University hours. When they have reached 100 hours, the children are invited to attend the graduation event held at Plymouth University. It is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate their learning journey. If your child attends clubs outside of school and if you are interested in signing up for the Children's University scheme, then please contact Mrs Taylor for further details.



## DIARY DATES

(These dates may be subject to change)



### 2018/2019

Thurs 4th April	School closes for Easter
Fri 5th Apr	Non-pupil Day
Wed 24th Apr	School re-opens at 8.45am
Wed 24th Apr	Year 6 Theatre Visit - Tempest
Thur 2nd May	Polling Day - School OPEN
Mon 6th May	Bank Holiday
Mon 13th May	SATs Week
Sun 19th May	Schools Half Marathon Challenge
Fri 24th May	Buddies Fundraising Mufti
Mon 27th May to	Friday 31st May HALF TERM
Fri 14th June	Ten Tors Weekend
Thur 11th July	Year 6 Prom
Tues 23rd July	School closes for Summer Holidays
Wed 24th July	Non-pupil Day

### 2019/2020

Thurs 5th Sept	School re-opens at 8.45am
Wed 25th Sept	Beam House Residential - Year 5
Mon 21st Oct to	Fri 25th Oct HALF TERM
Thurs 28th Nov	Non Pupil Day
Fri 29th Nov	Non Pupil Day
Fri 20th Dec	School closes for Christmas Hols
Mon 4th Nov	Individual Photographs

## SUMMER MENU

The new summer menu has been sent out this week in preparation for next term. Thank you.



## ATTENDANCE

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the attendance for week beginning 25th March 2019.

Sun	95.9%
Moon	94.6%
Hubble	94.1%
Newton	95.2%
Brunel	99.3%
Curie	96.4%
Jenner	97.9%
Anning	99.6%
Sharman	95.2%
Tesla	95.4%
Hawking	95.3%
Franklin	95.0%
Da Vinci	86.7%
Dalton	96.7%

=WINNERS

Well done!  
The winners will receive the Attendance Cup



## EASTER ACTIVITY BOOKLET

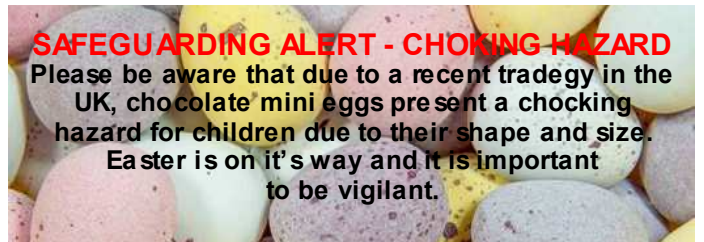
Please see our school website for various Easter Activities in and around the Plymouth area.

Mrs Oliver - Family Support Adviser



## SAFEGUARDING ALERT - CHOKING HAZARD

Please be aware that due to a recent tragedy in the UK, chocolate mini eggs present a choking hazard for children due to their shape and size. Easter is on it's way and it is important to be vigilant.



## MILLIONAIRE WORDS READ READING PROGRAMME

Today in our Easter Assembly, Mrs Rust was able to hand out four WH Smith gift vouchers for our "Millionaire Words Read" readers.

Eloise, Lola, Autumn and Harvey have all read over a million words using our amazing accelerated reading.

Keep up the hard work!



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



Have a Great Easter Break!  
Mrs Evans - Head of School

