



Beechwood Newsletter

"Living, learning and thriving"

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Welcome back to the Autumn Term

A big welcome to all our new starters and new Foundation children. They have made a fantastic start to school this week and we look forward to watching them develop over the coming term.



DIARY DATES

(These dates may be subject to change)



2019/2020

Sat 14th Sept	Respect Festival - Year 5 & 6
Wed 18th Sept	Parents Welcome Meeting - 3.15pm
Fri 20th Sept	Kelvin Class Assembly - Year 5
Wed 25th Sept	Beam House Residential - Year 5
Fri 4th Oct	Harvest Festival Assembly
Fri 18th Oct	Mufti
Mon 21st Oct to	Fri 25th Oct HALF TERM
Mon 4th Nov	Individual Photographs
Wed 27th Nov	Mufti
Thurs 28th Nov	Non Pupil Day
Fri 29th Nov	Non Pupil Day
Fri 6th Dec	Nethercott Farm (Year 4)
Mon 16th Dec	Decorations Afternoon - TBA
Wed 18th Dec	Children's Christmas Lunch
Fri 20th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 20th Dec	Christmas Sing-a-long Assembly
Fri 20th Dec	School closes for Christmas Hols

MEDICINE FORMS

Parents may not be aware that administration of medicine forms have to be renewed every year. If your child receives regular medicine or requires an inhaler to be kept in school, please be sure to call in to the school office to complete a Medicine form. Without this consent form, we will be unable to administer medicines on your behalf. Thank you.



EARLY HELP & TARGETED SUPPORT

Plymouth City Council are taking a fresh look at the services on offer for young people in the city aged between 0 and 19. They are interested in views of local families. Please follow the link below to complete a consultation questionnaire:-

<https://plymouth-consult.objective.co.uk/public/cyp/ehts/ehtscypfquestionnaire>

KELVIN CLASS (YEAR 5) ASSEMBLY

Parents of children in Kelvin Class are invited to their assembly on **Friday 20th September at 9.00am**.

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



BEECHWOOD BUDDIES DIARY DATES

Wednesday 16th October
Spooky Disco
4.15 to 5.30 pm
Wednesday 16th December
Santa Disco
4.15 to 5.30 pm



ALAN LOMAX FOOTBALL CLUB

Alan Lomax football club letters have been sent out this week to all interested children. Spaces will be allocated on a first come first served basis, so please return your forms as soon as possible. Payment can be made on-line at westpro.co.uk or in cash to the school office. Your child will be notified if they secure a place at this club.

KS1 to start on Wednesday 18th September for 10 sessions

KS2 to start on Thursday 19th September for 10 sessions



Thank you.

PARENT WELCOME

On Wednesday 18th September, the class teachers would like to welcome you to their classrooms from 3.15pm to meet the class teacher and discuss your child's learning this year. This is an opportunity to ask any questions that you may have. Please drop into your child's classroom on Wednesday afternoon. Teachers will be available in their classrooms until 4.00pm.

Children on an IEP plan will receive a separate letter inviting parents to attend a meeting at a set time. Thank you.



IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS FREE SCHOOL MEALS CRITERIA

You may be entitled to apply for Free School Meals for your child/ren if you receive Universal Credit, Income Support, Income Based Job Seekers Allowance, Income Related Element of Employment and Support Allowance, Guaranteed Credit element of Pension Credit or Child Tax Credit (without Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of £16,190 or less.

We would urge parents who may be eligible for Free School Meals for the children to contact the school office for a form as soon as possible. This is very important, even if your child does not wish to take up the free meal. The register of FSM entitlement affects our overall school budget and we may be missing out on funding as a result.

Please do not confuse this with Universal Free School Meal entitlement for children in Years Reception to Year Two.



YEAR 5/6 CHILDREN & PARENTS

Remember it's that time of year for visiting Secondary Schools ready to make your application. The list of Open Evenings for schools can be found on the School Admissions website at Plymouth City Council www.plymouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

Admission Deadline : 31st October 2019 for the



Let's celebrate the launch of PANTS in Plymouth!

Where: Plymouth Life Centre/ Central Park (inside or outside, depending on the weather)

When: Saturday 28th September, 1-3 pm

Why: We're launching a city-wide Talk PANTS campaign to help keep children safe

Please come along and join us at our free event.

What's on:

- * Guest appearance by Pantosaurus
- * Beat the Keeper with Plymouth Argyle Community Trust
- * Basketball with Plymouth Raiders
- * Craft activities for children
- * Storytime



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 **6th September 2018**.

Archimedes	100%
Plato	99%
Nash	93.3%
Pascal	98.3%
Aristotle	100%
Lovelace	100%
Johnson	96.2%
Carroll	96.6%
Boole	91.7%
Pythagoras	89.3%
Venn	99%
Kelvin	100%
Turing	100%
Tao	98.3%

Well done!

The winners will receive the Attendance Cup



CHILD DATA INFORMATION

Could you please update the school with any new telephone numbers or change of address if these may have changed during the summer holidays.



LATENESS

We would like to emphasise the importance of arriving at school on time. **The doors open at 8.45am daily to allow children to be in class and settled ready for lessons which begin at 8.55am.** Any child who is late will miss key elements which can have a negative impact on their learning.



Thank you.

FIZZ POP ASSEMBLY

This week we have been treated to two assemblies by Fizz Pop! They were very exciting and showed the school how science can be lots of fun.



Flyers have been sent out to children from Year 1 to Year 6 with information about clubs they offer. You may have a budding scientist in your home!

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We understand that children like to wear fashionable hairstyles. However we are hoping that parents will work with us to ensure that Beechwood Primary Academy maintains its high standards of uniform presentation. Thank you for sending your children to school in the appropriate uniform and sensible hairstyles. Please refer to our uniform policy of which can be found on our school website.



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.



*Have a great weekend!
Mrs Evans - Head of School*