

# Beech Green Primary School "Believe Grow Persevere Succeed" Newsletter for Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020 School to Home – Week 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I have tried to do some professional reading, the book is called Imperfect Leadership by Steve Munby. The main message, as you might guess, is that we continue to make mistakes, fall short of expectations and need to ask for help, all of us. Reassuringly he says this is a positive thing, so be proud of your mishaps, blunders and fluff ups! Watch out for the expectations you put on yourself, you are a human 'being' not a human 'doing' and you cannot do everything.

More than anything else we want you to know that you are doing your best at home, teaching your own children is so hard; I would rather have 420 Beech Green pupils than just 1 of my own to teach. There is a short message from me in the Parent Mails tomorrow, we haven't heard anything about re-opening but I promise you two things:

- 1. We will not let your children down; whatever they have or haven't learned we'll work with you to sort it out.
- 2. The whole country is in the same position, goal posts and priorities have shifted, together we will have time to put it right.

Thank you for everything you are doing at home or at work, I hope you are getting enough support from us. Feel free to email me if we're making a mistake or two, we'll celebrate then learn from it!

Mrs Julie Poulson - Headteacher

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## A Message from The Governing Body



Dear Families,

I hope that you are all keeping safe and well during these extraordinary times. Clearly, as governors, we still need to maintain our level of responsibility to Beech Green and I would like to reassure you we are now meeting in a different way to support the enormous effort and great work that has been put in place by Mrs Julie Poulson, the senior leadership team and all the staff at Beech Green. We thank them for everything that is being done from school and home to support all of our families. I am sure you will agree with me, that through all the difficulties we

currently face, now is one of the proudest moments to be part of the Beech Green Primary School Community. As governors, we hope you feel supported through this challenging time of lockdown, schools closed as we know it, home schooling, missing our families and loved ones and for some, the additional worry of loss and financial complications.

There is help out there, and via this newsletter we can see organisations offering help have been signposted to you. Of course, if you are struggling and need us, then please make contact... we might be able to help you. Stay safe and with best wishes on behalf of the governing body...

Sarah Costello-Byrne (Chair of Governors) <a href="mailto:chair@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk">chair@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk</a>

### **Beech Green Photography Competition**

Sharing some more of the photos you have sent us – thank you – you can still email entries to <a href="mailto:admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk">admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk</a> Please say if the photo is a child entry or adult section. You will need to please give your photo a title and the full name of the photographer.

### **Pupil's Section**







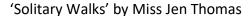
Above - 'Beautiful Blooms In Our Garden' by Patty, Maisie & Greta Lee Below - 'Canal Adventure' by David A 'Where There's Darkness, Look For The Light' by Grace Dyer Y6





**Adult Section** 







'Take It One Step At A Time' by Mrs Hanna Cherrington

### **League Table of TT Rockstars**

Well done Frisia for their amazing effort this week, which has toppled Dogwood from the top spot! Will they regain their lead next week or can another class take up the challenge & storm up the leaderboard? Keep rocking everyone!

| Position | Class       | Points |
|----------|-------------|--------|
| 1        | Frisia 5    | 27,145 |
| 2        | Dogwood 4   | 12,172 |
| 3        | Birch 2     | 11,069 |
| 4        | Hornbeam 4  | 9,992  |
| 5        | Acacia 6    | 9,023  |
| 6        | Whitebeam 5 | 6,564  |
| 7        | Hawthorn 3  | 5,960  |
| 8        | Willow 2    | 4,664  |
| 9        | Rowan 3     | 4,607  |
| 10       | Sycamore 6  | 2,673  |
| 11       | Maple 1     | 1,732  |
| 12       | Elder 1     | 1,542  |



## An Appeal From Gloucester City Mission

We have received an email request for help, at this time when many charities are struggling. They say... Please can you help us out? As I'm sure you are aware, charities are under pressure at the moment due to Covid-19 and the effect it has on fundraising events, but rent, wages and other costs still need to be paid.

Please can you offer £3 a month on a regular basis (or any other amount) to help our cash flow via this new text campaign – done through your phone. It is easy to do, just

# Text GLOSCM to 70085 to donate £3 a month

(Texts cost £3 plus two standard rate messages)

If you would like to give another amount per month you can do this as well up to £20;

"To donate £1 a month text GLOSCM 1"
"To donate £5 a month text GLOSCM 5"
"To donate £10 a month text GLOSCM 10" etc

Many thanks

### Finally,

Yesterday we observed the one-minute silence in remembrance of key workers who have lost their lives to Covid-19. We continue to keep everyone in our thoughts.

Today we join the nation in wishing Captain Tom Moore a Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday (now given the title of Colonel Moore), who has been an inspiration to us all in raising an enormous amount of money by walking 100 lengths of his garden for NHS Charities Together because our fantastic NHS workers are national heroes. By this morning, the total raised had topped £30,000,000 – today is the last day to donate to his JustGiving page... <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tomswalkforthenhs">https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tomswalkforthenhs</a>

Take care, stay safe and good health.

Contact school - admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk Website - www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk