

Beech Green Primary School

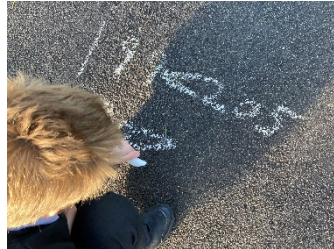
"Believe Grow Persevere Succeed"

Newsletter for Thursday 8th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Some twitter highlights from this term

We are still developing outdoor learning, children in Year 3 have used tools in forest school, worked on their maths knowledge and teachers have attended training.

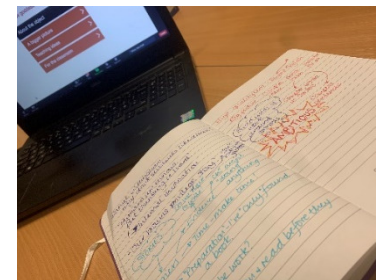


Year 1 time capsules look intriguing! Seeds planted by children attending Key Worker childcare in the spring have been harvested.



It is such a delight to see and hear children enjoying stories in the library this term, we'll start using the new books soon.

The whole school took part in on-line learning with Mary Myatt. The curriculum and how we learn best is so important.



On Thursday 15th October your child will bring home their assessments. We made the decision to send home as much information as possible. It is so important to recognize children have been at school for just 7 weeks; do not worry about what they can't do or don't yet know, it is so useful for us all to see what has been missed and recognize what we have not yet taught well enough. Do let us know if you'd like more information about how to help your child.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding of the systems we have put in place in an attempt to keep you and your whole family safe.

Mrs Julie Poulson - Headteacher

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Reception 2021

Was your child born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017?

A reminder, that any child born between the above dates can start school next academic year, September 2021. Gloucestershire County Council co-ordinates the admission of children to primary school, therefore, during November you should receive a pack, explaining how to do this; you will need to apply to them to receive a school place for your child by the closing date of 15th January 2021.

If you already have a sibling attending Beech Green, please note that you still need to apply for your younger child too!

Ordering your School Photos

Individual Portraits – You can either order by scanning the QR code of the ticket your child brought home last week or you can order online by going to www.kittleorder.com , accessing your child's photo by using the individual Photo ID and Password which was also printed on the same ticket.

Family Groups – For those who had family groups taken by appointment on Monday after school – proof cards will be sent home within the next few days (or by early next week), with instructions on how to order.

Either way, we hope like your child's school photo of 2020 – they will make lovely family Christmas presents.

Home Learning Platform

Thank you all those of you who completed the survey regarding access to technology at home – we have had responses from the vast majority of families now. We are very busy getting our new Home Learning Platform set up, in case families have to isolate or we have to close a year group bubble in school, and we now feel much better placed to be able to support you.

If we have to start providing remote home learning, this will look very different to the support we delivered before the summer: of course, the wellbeing of our children and families will still be our ultimate priority, but it is a national expectation that children access the learning at home, as we will continue to deliver our current school curriculum to you remotely. Children will have access to English and maths lessons every day, as well as some topic work each week, which will be delivered in most year groups via recorded lessons and shared activities on the Home Learning Platform. Reception children will continue to use Tapestry to access their learning. There will also be some opportunities for online class “meetings”, so that the children can see their peers and that we can keep in touch with you.

Once everything is in place, we will be in touch with user names and passwords, so that you can have a go at logging in. Please don't worry though, we will give you plenty of support in doing this and help you to access everything you need.

We are aware that there are some families who will struggle to do this with the technology they have available: we are still awaiting further details, but there will be support that we can access from the Government.

If you haven't yet completed the online survey, please can you do so here (especially if you have limited access to the internet and devices at home): <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TCFR9C3>

We will be in touch with further information after half term, but please do ask if you have any questions.

Hayley Earl and Aimee McEvoy

Harvest – Gloucester Food Bank

As we mentioned last week, we are supporting the Gloucester Food Bank with this year's harvest collection. You will see the trolley out in school car park at the start and end of each day this week and next. It's the one place you all walk past each day!

The food bank ask you please help those in need by donating an item or two from the shopping list below. This will enable them to provide emergency food to people in crisis. Thank you BG.

Shopping List – top ten items

Packet Noodles
Packet Pasta 'n' Sauce
Packet (powdered) Mash
Bottles of Squash
Cartons/Tins Custard
Jars of Pasta Sauce
Jars of Coffee (small)
Tinned Spaghetti
Tinned Potatoes
Shampoo
Toothpaste



Week 1

School Dinner Payment KS2

Would parents of children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 please check their ParentPay dinner balance before requesting a school dinner as you need to have funds available before ordering. Thank you.

Rec to Y6 Flu Immunisation Dates

A reminder that at the end of this term, the children will have their nasal flu immunisations.

www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk/calendar-dates

Thursday 22nd October – Rec to Y2

Friday 23rd October – Y3 to Y6

Forest Green Rovers Ambassadors



Well done to Evie Nicholson and Kian Brooks in Year 6 who have been elected as this year's FGR Ambassadors. They will represent the club and its ethos and values around our school and local community by way of completing a monthly task or challenge. Watch this space for what they get up to...!

Football Clubs for Upper Juniors

Y5 Andy Tucker football club is now full.

Y5 and Y6 School football club – there are still a few places for girls and boys of Y5 and Y6. If you have not already got your name down, but would like to join – then please email admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk

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