

# **Beech Green Primary School**

## ***"Believe Grow Persevere Succeed"***

### **Newsletter for Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We appreciate your emails and the improved communication between home and school, the phone calls or zoom meetings were a useful opportunity to talk this week; I hope you found them beneficial. Please do let us know if you need more information or support for your child(ren). We will always do our best to help.

It is half term next week and I have told our play team, cleaners, teachers, teaching partners, office staff and Mr Morris to take the whole week off, but we are still available for families so please use [covid@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:covid@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk) for advice, support or to tell us that you or your child has symptoms.

Today we have welcomed two HMI Ofsted inspectors into school to share our approach to the pandemic; following their visit a letter, detailing the national response, will be published and posted on our school website.

Finally, some happy news, Miss McEvoy is looking forward to a new addition in the spring. The whole family are excitedly planning for a little girl to join their family of three. Miss McEvoy works in Year 4 and Year 5; we will of course cover her teaching when she starts her maternity leave in February. I am sure you'd like to join us in wishing them all the very best.

I hope you all have a restful, safe and healthy half term. Do email [covid@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:covid@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk) if you need us.

Mrs Julie Poulson - Headteacher

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#### **End of Term 1**

We finish for the end of term 1 tomorrow and are all due back to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Have a safe and happy time.

#### **Travel Corridors**

If you are lucky enough to be going on holiday this half term, would you please check upon your return the current guidance on travel corridors. We are aware that a few families have gone or will be going abroad and that several destinations require families to quarantine upon your return (this list is changing daily). Clearly if you need to quarantine then you should not return to school until this period is complete. Please check before coming back on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Thank you.

[www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors)

#### **Flu Immunisation Reminder**

Today, Thursday, is the turn of Rec, Y1 and Y2

Friday is the turn of Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Any families who did not either give or decline consent, should be re-contacted by the NHS team.

#### **Harvest – Gloucester Food Bank**

Thank you so much to everyone for donating towards this year's harvest campaign for Gloucester Food Bank, which was collected today. As you will see from the photos below, we collected a grand selection of items to support the valuable work the Food Bank do, in supporting families in crisis.



**Well done and a huge thank you. 20 crates of provisions have been loaded and gone to Gloucester Foodbank**





## **British Legion Poppy Appeal**



From Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November we will have a collection for this year's Poppy Appeal. The red collection bucket will be out in the trolley, which will save all the children bringing in change. We will give all the children a poppy within their school bubbles. Thank you in anticipation of your usual generosity for another great cause.

## **IMPORTANT Reminder for the Current Year 6 – Secondary Transfer – have you submitted your application?**

As you are aware the application process for children starting secondary school in September 2021 is currently open and Gloucestershire County Council has received many applications. However, there are still many outstanding and they have asked us to remind Year 6 parents that they must submit an application by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020 (which is during the school holiday).

We advise parents to submit an application via the local authority Family Portal -

<https://emsonline.gloucestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2FCitizenPortal%2FR>

## **Rocksteady Music**

Rocksteady are once again running taster sessions for children in school. They will invite children from each year group that might be interested in learning an instrument in a band for a trial on Friday 6th November. Please email [admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk) if you would like your child to have this opportunity. Please also remember that they do not have to take up a place. More information about Rocksteady can be found [www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/primary/](http://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/primary/)

## **Primary | Rocksteady Music School**

Our in-school peripatetic music sessions make learning music fun and give kids the chance to be in a band, perform songs they love and learn life skills.

The lessons cost £31.25 per month. If you would like your child to take part but would need financial help please talk to us.

## **Has Your Child Lost These Glasses?**

These prescription glasses are in the school office waiting to be claimed. Please phone school if you recognise them and would like to arrange getting them back.



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