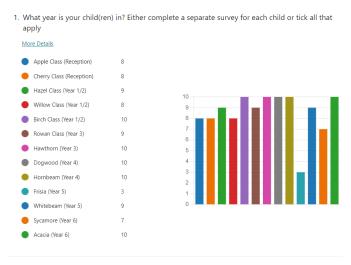


Beech Green Primary School

Respect Achieve Belong

Newsletter for Thursday 13th Oct 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,



Thank you to everyone who has completed the parent survey so far. Good or bad we need your thoughts and perceptions.

I understand you might feel frustrated if, having previously raised a concern, nothing appears to change. I also recognise we don't always report back about the actions taken.

There are lots of reasons for this; firstly, I know mistakes are made, I am always happy to be reminded of something we have forgotten or be told that something is not right.

There are other reasons which we don't always communicate:

- staff training is ongoing, it takes a lot of time which can only be completed outside of school hours;
- all schools are guilty of assuming parents and carers know and understand the language we sometimes use. It must occasionally seem like a secret code, if this happens please tell us;
- we don't share our systems and processes clearly enough in a way that involves families

Every year I have offered a family voice group. Despite offering a range of times, including evenings, it has been poorly attended. I would like to try again and hope it can be successful. There are two options below:

- 1. attend a meeting at school on Tuesday 29th November at 2pm or 6pm
- 2. attend a meeting at school on Thursday 1st December at 2pm or 6pm

Please email me directly head@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk state which date and time you can attend.



If you haven't completed the survey the link is here, staff might catch you at the start or end of the day with a QR

Parent Survey

Thank you all for your ongoing support this term, I wish you an enjoyable two-week half term break.

Mrs Julie Poulson Headteacher









We are always looking for ways to share our extensive school grounds; if there are any community groups who would like to use our wonderful space after school, or during a weekend, you would be most welcome to!

Please contact the school office if you would be interested in this opportunity.

Our current wish list of donations include:

- Large suitcases/travel bags with zips and wheels (not hard cases please)
- Prams (both toy and real-size)
- Old phones and keyboards

Thank you for your continued support in helping to create wonderful play opportunities for our children every day!

From Mrs Hart & the OPAL Play Team

Museum in the Park

The Museum in the Park, Stroud are hosting a range of free events to keep children entertained over the half term holidays including a peg doll workshop and a fossil and dino wax rubbing workshop. Check out their website for more information.

https://museuminthepark.org.uk/

Uniform for winter

We have plenty of stock in the office of cardigans and sweatshirts bearing our new school logo. Come and get kitted out ready for the colder weather!

Netball News

Beech Green took an impressive victory in their first match of the season against Harewood Juniors winning 3-2 at home. Well done team!

COVID vaccines: how to access first or second doses for children aged 5-17

Message from the Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust.

It isn't too late for children to access a COVID vaccination if they haven't already completed their course.

Children are eligible for:

- § First or second dose Children aged 5 to 11 (paediatric dose Pfizer)
- § First or second doses Children aged 12-17 (Pfizer)
- § Third primary dose Children aged 5-11 who are severely immunocompromised (paediatric dose Pfizer 8 weeks after second dose), anyone aged 12+ who is severely immunocompromised (Pfizer 8 weeks after second dose)
- § Autumn booster Children aged 5-11 who are severely immunocompromised or household contact of someone immunocompromised (paediatric dose Pfizer at least 3 months after previous dose), anyone

aged 12-17 who is severely immunocompromised or household contact of someone immunocompromised (Pfizer – at least 3 months after previous dose)

- *children aged 5-15 inclusive must wait 12 weeks after a COVID-19 infection to get a vaccination
- **people aged 16 or over must wait four weeks after a COVID-19 infection to get a vaccination

To access a vaccination, contact your GP Practice for advice on how to book an appointment at a local vaccination centre, use the national booking system to get an appointment at a community pharmacy or the JabVan at Gloucestershire Royal Hospital (www.nhs.uk/covidvaccination or call 119), or look out for drop-in clinics on the local COVID information portal.

Please make sure to carefully check eligibility before taking your child to a drop-in clinic; depending on their age they may only have specific vaccines which will not always be available at every clinic.

Secondary Application deadline

A reminder for Parents/carers of Year 6 students that the closing date for secondary school applications is approaching - 31 October 2022. Parents/carers are encouraged to apply online as this means they will receive an email on allocation day. The link to apply online

is https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions/transfer-to-secondary-school/

Hedgehog litter pick challenge

Thank you to everyone who has taken up the challenge and picked a bag of litter from our local community. Please keep your pictures coming in, it's lovely to see you all out and about enjoying the wonderful autumnal weather. Here is a selection of a few we have received this week.











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