



Beech Green News

Thursday 2nd March

School News



Beech Green Values Award

BELONG

How do you know you are at Beech Green?		
Tally is here	We sit up, listen and show respectful silence when people speak	We track the teacher
We are answer ready	Everyone knows that mistakes help us learn	House captains
We complete work	We follow instructions from any adult	Good links with the community
Wear uniform	Everyone tries their best and works hard	Children represent our school
School council	Children bring water and a healthy snack to school	Lots of clubs and opportunities
Peer mentor	We have talk partners and whiteboards - everyone learns	Edit writing
OPAL play	We all show respect and good manners	Children know a lot!
Forest School	Young Voices, Bikeability, the swimming pool, trips and visits – make it a special place	FABG events help raise money
The signs tell you!	All of the adults really care about everyone	The library has brilliant books

Over the last year we have researched ways to promote and reward children who make a positive contribution at school. In the recent parent survey some of you asked us to think about bringing back celebration awards and certificates.

On Monday we launched the Beech Green Values Award. The aim is to encourage children and say, 'thank you' to those who work hard, help others, show respect and make an excellent contribution to our whole community.

There are many benefits to developing and promoting particular characteristics in children. First and foremost, we want to build on the foundations that families have laid in developing well-rounded citizens of the future. Secondly, our wish is to offer enriching opportunities which allow every pupil the opportunity to develop skills and enable them to perform to their highest potential.

We hope that introducing the Values Award at Beech Green will improve pupils' resilience, self-belief, leadership and teamwork skills. It will give every child the opportunity to experience enrichment activities which complement the work we do in class.

We will be giving all pupils the opportunity to work on a collaborative project each half-term, with a view to being awarded either a Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum award for their efforts. The focus of the award will change each time but they will always be based on our 3 core values: Respect, Achieve and Belong. We look forward to discovering what work our children decide to do to earn their Values Award, and can't wait to share their thoughts and ideas with the school, our parents and community.

There is a message below from KS1 pupils who are keen to start their project!

Family Voice Group - A Reminder

The next family voice group on Tuesday 7 March at either 2pm or 6pm. It is always useful to get a different perspective on the work we do at Beech Green. Please come along if you can, everyone is welcome.

Julie Poulson

Headteacher

head@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk

Year 4's Chef Experience

When Idris came we were making a salad. Idris taught us two cutting positions, the bridge and the claw. For the salad we had to cut healthy ingredients like carrots, tomatoes, lettuce and grapes as well as some more. I really enjoyed it and I hope everyone else did. Also we had to wash our hands and put an apron on.

By Rose K







World Book Day

It was lovely to see so many fantastic costumes in school yesterday as we came together to celebrate our love of literature and all of the wonderful information, experiences and knowledge it gives us. The staff and children shared some of their favourite books, authors, illustrators and enjoyed writing stories of their own. Reception held a parent snuggle session where parents were invited in to share stories with their children. A great day was had by all.



Request from KS1

Key Stage 1 are working towards our school value 'Belong' award. We are planning on raising money to purchase plants to spruce up the school site. We would therefore be grateful for any donations for a tombola (back by popular demand!) that will take place on 17th March.

New items such as boxes of chocolates and sweets, toiletries, toys and games, unwanted gifts etc all gratefully received. More information about the time/place of the tombola to follow nearer the time!

Thank you from all the children for your support.



Uniform Ordering

We are changing the way you can purchase uniform for Beech Green! We have teamed up with Brigade clothing to offer an online ordering service to our parents. Simply log on to brigade.uk.com and select Beech Green Primary from the drop down menu, you'll find all of our branded uniform plus a few optional extra items. Orders are delivered directly to school free of charge during term time and will be available for collection from the school office. Tomorrow your child will bring home a leaflet with full instructions on how to place an order. The office will still hold samples of all sizes, so you want to try before you buy, you are more than welcome to bring your child into the office for a fitting.

Comic Relief

Friday 17th March is Comic Relief, or Red Nose Day! We are inviting children to wear something RED and bring their silliest joke ready to tell! We have set up a donation link on parentpay or you can bring cash into school on the day, suggested minimum donation of £1. Please make sure all red noses coming into school are named to save any tears, thank you!

London Marathon

In April this year, Kiana Hine, a former parent of Beech Green is taking on the epic challenge of running the London Marathon in aid of the Anthony Nolan trust. Kiana still has links to Beech Green through her nephew Freddie and the family have been helped by Anthony Nolan trust through some tricky times, so it is a charity close to their hearts. If you would like to support Kiana, please use the link below to make a donation. We wish Kiana the very best of luck with her upcoming challenge.

<https://www.justgiving.com>

Vacancy for a Play Team Member

We have a vacancy for someone to join our lunchtime Play Team. If you are interested in this term time only position and would like more details, then please contact: Amy Bancroft on sbm@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk or phone 01452 722363

Can you donate an Easter Egg?



A parent has suggested that we take part in the Gloucester Feed the Hungry campaign to donate Easter eggs to local hospitals. If you can please donate an Easter Egg, any size. It will need to be at school before Friday 24th March.

Sports News



Term 3 PE Inter-house Competitions

In the final week of last term, the children in certain year groups had the opportunity to put their new learning from that term's PE topic into practise with some inter-house team competitions. Congratulations to the children in each winning house, and indeed to all the children who participated and utilised their new-found skills!

Final Results:

Year 3 Netball - winning houses - Pine and Elm

Year 4 Tag rugby - winning house - Pine

Year 5 Tag rugby - winning house - Elm

Year 6 Tag rugby - winning house - Oak

Schools Cricket Competitions

As well as hosting a Dynamos After-School cricket club (in collaboration with Glos County Cricket) this coming Summer term for our junior children (look out for forthcoming info!), we also have the opportunity to enter some inter-school competitions. These would be in 3 categories: Y3&4, Y5&6, Girls only. If your child plays for an out of school club already, or is just particularly interested in cricket, and would be keen to represent Beech Green, please let me know by emailing me at bendawson@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk by this Friday, 3rd March.

Handball Festival

During the half term break, "On the Ball" hosted a Handball Festival at Churchdown School Academy. Five children from KS1/Reception entered, meaning there was a whole Beech Green team.

They played the 3 games in their group. Lost first two, but won the 3rd to make it into playoffs.

In the finals, it was neck and neck all the way, ending 2-2, so it went down to extra time.

Unfortunately, the other team managed to sneak in a last minute goal and Beech Green came in an amazing 2nd place. The team made amazing progress from their first game to their end performance and should be very proud of themselves.

Two KS2 children also took part in the Junior Handball Festival they were teamed up children from other schools. They played magnificently, their team coming an amazing 3rd place, winning Bronze! Well done to all who took part!



1 - Quedgeley Coronation Parade Sunday 7th May

Community News

Quedgeley Town Council are organising community a large parade and community event on Sunday 7th May. Please email head@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk if you would like to help.



The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme

HAF will be returning this spring for children and young people in Reception to Year 11 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Click [here](#) to watch our latest HAF video to get a taste of what you can expect this spring!

Between 3-14 April

HAF eligible families will be able to access up to 4 days of free, fun activities in their district. To find out what days your district is delivering HAF, you can follow your [HAF district lead](#) on social media.

What will be available at HAF this spring?

- Family days out
- Football, basketball, cricket and more
- Forest skills
- Gymnastics
- Music production
- Sensory play
- Delicious food
- And more!



Bookings open 16 March-
Make sure you're HAF ready!
Sign up to our [HAF booking system](#).

To stay up to date on all HAF news...

Visit Gloucestershire's HAF website:
Gloucestershire.gov.uk/HAF
or follow us on Facebook and Twitter for updates.



NHS
Gloucestershire Health and Care
NHS Foundation Trust



Join us at your School Nurse Hub for parents

We provide confidential, professional support with any concerns you may have for your child including healthy lifestyle, diet and exercise, self-esteem and resilience, sleep, dental health and hygiene, anxiety and behaviour

Drop in for an informal chat or take the opportunity to meet other parents with similar worries

Your local hub: Gloucester
Venue: Hunts Grove School
Date: Thursday 30th March 2023
Time: 9.30-11.30

www.ghc.nhs.uk/our-teams-and-services/school-nursing/hubs/



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GLOUCESTERSHIRE YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER of the Year 2023



We invite all Gloucestershire pupils to
enter ONE Image - any subject

PRIMARY & SECONDARY AWARDS

FIRST PRIZE £70

& RUNNER UP CASH PRIZES

BEST SECONDARY & PRIMARY ENTRY

GYP TROPHY

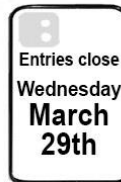
All SELECTED IMAGES will be shown at a Spectacular AWARDS Evening

CHELTENHAM PLAYHOUSE GL53 7HG
on Thursday April 27th

For further information ask your teacher or visit:
www.cheltenhamcameraclub.uk

Organised by Cheltenham Camera Club
Supported by Cheltenham Arts Council
& University of Gloucestershire

email: GYP@cheltenhamcameraclub.co.uk



Dates for this Term

Tuesday 7th March - Parents voice meeting - 2pm and 6pm

Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March - Potential industrial Action - details will be published nearer the time

Friday 17th March - Comic Relief- wear something red

Wednesday 22nd March - Parent's Evening - booking details to follow shortly

Thursday 23rd March - Parent's Evening

Thursday 30th March - Disco - KS1- 5.30 - 6.45

KS2 - 7.00 - 8.15

Friday 31st March - End of Term 4 - School will close at 1.30pm

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