



Beech Green News

Thursday 22nd February

School News



The Really Wild Reading Festival Returns!

The Really Wild Reading Festival 4th - 8th March 2024

This exciting celebration of reading is coming to our GSP schools again - remember to save the dates and watch this space!



We are so excited about the return of The Really Wild Reading Festival. It is a superb opportunity for our children to meet published authors and alongside pupils from other schools, take part in a celebration of literature.

https://gloucesterschoolspartnership.co.uk/rwrf2024/the_really_wild_reading_festival.html

If like us you've been having a spring clean and a sort out of toys we'd be happy to find homes for any good quality items you no longer need. The children have been reminded about looking after resources and are working to earn rewards for terrific tidying; the aim is to foster collective responsibility. Lots of children are keen to do more and we'll be saying thank you to them with a hot chocolate Friday award with our Year 6 Play Makers.

Lost Property

Yet again we have a growing amount of lost property in the entrance hall, which is all unnamed. Please remember to label all items that your child brings to school. We try very hard to reunite any named items with their owners.

Love Your School Day

A reminder that this Saturday is love your school day. It's a day of spring cleaning and maintenance around the school ready for the warmer weather. We'd be very grateful of any time you could spare. The day kicks off at 10am and will end around 2pm.

World Book Day

On March 7th Beech Green are joining the rest of the country celebrating world book day! We are inviting the children to dress up as their favourite book character or to come in their pyjamas ready to share a bedtime story!

Knife Crime Workshop

On Tuesday, Year 6 welcomed Delroy, Lewis and Shane in to school to talk to them about knife crime. The children learned about the dangers of carrying knives, and of associating with friends who do. They then spent some time writing and performing raps to warn others of the dangers - and

some children even had a go at DJing! The most important lesson the children learned was how one action can destroy their life forever - and the lives of those around them.



Opal Donations

The Opal team are requesting donations for the children to use during their break and lunchtimes. If you have any of the following items you can spare, please take them to Mr Greensweig in Year 1. Thank you.

- Suitcases
- Plastic crates

- Wooden pallets
- Cable drums / reels
- Large cardboard boxes
- Fabric (Sheets / Saris / Curtains)
- Old wagons and buggies / strollers
- Large Buckets and containers
- Dressing up clothes / items (in good condition)
- Small toys (farm animals/ dinosaurs / dolls / cars / lego/ wooden toys)
- Pots/ pans / metal bowls/ metal spoons / spatulas / plates (plastic or metal).



We would like to remind everyone about our Wildwoods provision.

Timings

Breakfast club drop off begins at 7:50am.

After school club pick up can be anytime up until the time you have paid for.

Prices

Breakfast Club costs £5 per session

After school Club costs £8.50 until 5pm

£9.50 until 5:30pm

£10.50 until 6pm

We currently have spaces at breakfast club everyday and some nights at after school club.

Please contact wildwoods@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk for enquiries.

Donated Uniform

Tesco have kindly donated some new items of uniform, including footwear, to school. If you are struggling financially and would like some help with uniform, please email Mrs Ogden, in confidence, on dawnogden@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk

Beech Green Cafe

Come along to our parent cafe on Tuesday Mornings 9am-10.30am. Tea, coffee or hot chocolate and a slice of cake for £1. Through the cafe we organise courses and workshops for parents some of which will include your children. If there are any courses you are interested in please contact dawnogden@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk . Everyone is welcome to come along and make new friends



Free Spring Activities for Children, Young People & Families



An update on HAF booking this spring...

Following the successful trial during the winter. We will continue to allow families time to browse all of the activities that are on offer one week before they are available to book online.

From 4th of March at 12pm, you will be able to view all the activities on offer in March/April. This means you will be ready when **activity booking goes live at 12pm on the 11th of March.**

The Spring HAF Activities will take place between 25th of March and 5th of April.

Activities for Families living in Gloucester City Can be found here: www.gloscityhaf.co.uk

Setting up a CABS account is easy:
Scan this QR Code with a phone camera for quick access



If you need any HAF related help then please contact us:

T: 07340 709 871

E: glos hafconnector@gmail.com

Follow us:



Clothing Appeal

Gloucestershire Bundles are appealing for any donations of clothing, especially for 0-16 year olds, but they will take adult clothing too. They will be taking donations at their unit in Waterwells on Saturday March 9th 1-3pm, or alternatively, you can bring donations to school by March 7th for Mrs Ogden to take.

Community News





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THE CRYPT SCHOOL

Open Morning

Wednesday 20th March

Welcome to Gloucester's only co-educational grammar school, with a proud and distinguished history stretching back to 1539.

Our Open Morning (9.30am and 11.30am timeslots) offers visitors the opportunity to experience what The Crypt School has to offer – a supportive and inclusive environment with modern teaching facilities, a strong pastoral system and a wide ranging enrichment and extra-curricular programme which enables our diverse student body to flourish.

To book your place and find out more, visit cryptschool.org/opacity

TEL: 01452 530291 EMAIL: enquiries@crypt.gloucs.sch.uk
www.cryptschool.org



March 2024

Newsletter

FACE it!

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Available to book now!

Approved CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.

National Standards CPD accredited with certificate

<p>Thursday 21 March 19:00 - 20:00 FREE</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">FREE SESSION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Understanding Addictive Behaviour - Screens, gaming, drugs and more</p>
<p>Tuesday 19 March 19:00 - 21:00 £24</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">What is ACT?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">An introduction to Acceptance and Commitment Therapy</p>
<p>Thursday 28 March 19:00 - 21:00 £24</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Supporting a child with ADHD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">challenging the stereotypes and giving practical advice</p>

facefamilyadvice.co.uk.
info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Addictive Behaviour

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21st March (7pm to 8pm)

Available to book now via the website
facefamilyadvice.co.uk on the PARENT page

**Parents'
Relationships
Matter**
Gloucestershire
Conference 2024 ►►



Sessions for Parents



Monday 26th February 2024 / 12.30pm / In-person at Kingsholm Stadium
Why our children want us to be happy, why it matters and what we can do to get there
Presented by Honor Rhodes from Tavistock Relationships (<https://qrco.de/bekSJ3>)



Tuesday 27th February 2024 / 1.00pm / Online via Zoom
'Me, You and Baby Too' - how to strengthen your relationship as you enter parenthood
Presented by OnePlusOne (<https://qrco.de/bekSJn>)



Wednesday 28th February 2024 / 1.00pm / Online via Zoom
We all count - The importance of dads in building resilient families
Presented by Dad Matters Gloucestershire (<https://qrco.de/bekSJv>)



Thursday 29th February 2024 / 1.00pm / Online via Zoom
What are they saying? How to have conversations about relationships with your children
Presented by Gloucestershire County Council and STREET (<https://qrco.de/bekSKF>)

Sessions are completely **FREE** and a great chance to learn new things and get tips from the experts.
Don't miss out! Scan the QR codes or follow the links to "join the guestlist" and be a part of the movement. See you there!

Dates this Term

Please see school website

<https://www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk/calendar-dates>

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