

# Beech Green Primary School

*"Believe Grow Persevere Succeed"*

## Newsletter for Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020

### School to Home – Week 7



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful surprise this week; approximately 130 children smiling at waving. The film is a joy, to see so many pupils looking healthy and happy at home is wonderful, we appreciate the time taken by each family to make a colourful poster, co-ordinate gymnastic or dance routine and get the whole family involved! Your thoughtfulness says you care deeply about our school; it must have taken a lot of time and effort to put it all together. It made us cry, smile and feel grateful and humble. It was like a hug or a kind gesture and that is exactly what we all need now. Thank you so much!

I am sorry I do not have any news about next term yet; Sunday may give us some clearer indication of what will happen next, I hope so. Uncertainty is much more difficult to deal with and often leads to unhelpful speculation and double guessing. Whatever the Prime Minister announces on Sunday I will send a Parent Mail to you all on Monday asking for you to tell us what you think, via a short survey. Inviting you to share your thoughts, the survey will take no more than two minutes, please use the opportunity to make your voice heard.

Thank you again for your support, it is slightly overwhelming and fills us with pride to think that we have a whole community working together, each person doing their best to make this situation work for everyone, creating a positive environment for all our children in Beech Green and taking responsibility for everyone's health.

Don't forget we are here every day Monday to Friday (including tomorrow) if you need anything.

We are thinking of you all.

Mrs Julie Poulson - Headteacher

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### **Bank Holiday Friday – Tomorrow – VE Day**

You will recall that this year the first May Bank Holiday has been moved to tomorrow, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May. As part of the VE Day 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, tomorrow the nation is invited to take part in a two-minute national silence at 11 a.m. and sing along to a rendition of We'll Meet Again at 9 p.m., just after an address from Her Majesty the Queen.

[www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/remembrance-events/ve-day-75](http://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/remembrance-events/ve-day-75)

To make sure you we can all get involved together from our homes, here are the lyrics:

## We'll Meet Again by Vera Lynn

We'll meet again  
Don't know where  
Don't know when  
But I know we'll meet again some sunny day  
Keep smiling through  
Just like you always do  
'Till the blue skies drive the dark clouds far away

So will you please say hello  
To the folks that I know  
Tell them I won't be long  
They'll be happy to know  
That as you saw me go  
I was singing this song

We'll meet again  
Don't know where  
Don't know when  
But I know we'll meet again some sunny day

*(Repeat)*



## Mrs Gough's Cooking Club Weekly – Wartime Carrot Cake

For any of the children who have been lucky enough to attend one of Mrs Gough's cooking clubs, you will know that she makes the most scrumptious cake and all sorts! Today, Mrs Gough is sharing with us a Wartime Carrot Cake recipe. During the Second World War, when sugar was rationed to 8oz or 230g per week, carrots were used to naturally sweeten cakes and biscuits. The sweetness of the carrots replaced some of the sugar used in original war recipes. You might like to have a go at this simple cake recipe, to enjoy with a good old cup of tea! Thanks Mrs Gough!

### Ingredients

- 230g** self-raising flour
- 85g** margarine or cooking fat
- 85g** sugar
- 115g** finely grated carrot
- 55g** sultanas
- A little milk or water
- 1** reconstituted dried egg or 1 fresh egg



### Method

1. Preheat oven to 220°C / 200°C (fan) / gas mark 7.
2. Sift the flour into a mixing bowl.
3. Rub in the margarine or cooking fat.
4. Add sugar, carrot, sultanas and egg. Mix well and then add sufficient milk or water to make sticky.
5. Pour mixture into a lined baking tin and cook in the oven for 40 - 45 minutes or until golden in colour.

## **League Table of TT Rockstars**

WOW! This week's TT Rockstars chart has some VERY big numbers on it! Well done to ALL of you who are practising (and therefore mastering) your times tables on a regular basis - it's such a vital skill. Do make sure that you balance the time you spend on this with other maths work though - it's not healthy for you to stare at a screen for prolonged periods of time - even if it IS to become a TT Rock Legend!

For those of you who may be wondering how the chart is compiled, it's re-set every Wednesday and the points represent the total number of correct answers that the children in each class have achieved throughout that week, taken from anywhere they've played across the entire TT Rockstars site.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Points</b>
1	Frisia 5	68,092
2	Dogwood 4	31,846
3	Acacia 6	23,611
4	Hornbeam 4	22,415
5	Birch 2	18,851
6	Rowan 3	18,371
7	Whitebeam 5	16,874
8	Willow 2	14,870
9	Hawthorn 3	13,738
10	Sycamore 6	5,194
11	Maple 1	4,256
12	Elder 1	2,977

## **Beech Green Photography Competition**

You are still welcome to email entries to [admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk) Please say if the photo is a child entry or adult section. You will need to please give your photo a title and the full name of the photographer. We can share some more photos with you next week.

## **Finally,**

Thanks again to all the children and families who were able to submit a clip for the little show you did this week. All the staff who have seen it, agree it was a pleasure to watch and put a smile on our faces.

Well done for sticking with the lockdown measures; we know it's a long time and we all miss all sorts of people - we do too!

Needless to say, if you are working in the NHS, cleaning, shops, delivery services, transport, volunteering to support the vulnerable or any of the many key workers who are keeping us all going. We really to admire the work you are doing – thank you so very much.

Take care, stay safe and good health.

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