

# Beech Green Primary School

## *“Believe Grow Persevere Succeed”*

### Newsletter for Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the last twelve months there have been countless occasions when we have been able to say how proud we are of the people, especially the little ones, in our community. Tuesday at 12 noon was one of those moments, every child in KS2 showed respect for each other.

So much has happened this year; from January to March communication between us had to change, we spent time virtually in each other’s homes and connected with most families and children through technology. It has been a delight to have everyone back over the last, almost three weeks, but I wanted to find out what our children thought about being at school. I asked school council representatives to complete a questionnaire with each class; this is what they reported:

#### How do you feel about being back at school?

Not all children are completely happy about being back at school. It takes time to settle in and some children may need some extra help. Please talk to the teacher if your child is struggling.

#### What words would you use to describe being at school?

Not lonely	Great x3	Annoyed	Cool	Friends
Not bored x2	Excellent x4	Exhilarating	Strange x5	Wonderful
Relief x2	Exciting x7	Nervous x2	Interesting	Horrible
Fab x1	Worried x2	Irritated	Enthusiastic	Super duper
Happy x10	Amazing x9	Upset x2	Fun x12	Nice
Proud	Bad	Exhausted	Weird x3	Over thinking
Enjoyable x2	Incredible	Joyful x3	Different x2	Good
Wobbly	Lucky x4	Ok x11	Lovely	Freedom
Distracting	Busy	Tired x5	Scary sometimes	

The school councillors also asked if children had someone to talk to at school; every child said, “yes,” which is great news. However, there are a few children who said they don’t have a friend to play with; if your child doesn’t feel they have a friend, please make contact with us.

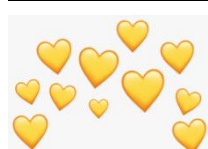
On Monday children will bring home completed assessments and a piece of writing for you to see what they can and can’t yet do. We have worked in partnership with you throughout and want to keep you as informed as possible. Please remember good learners are confident learners. I am sure no parent or carer would purposely damage a child’s confidence; if you are not sure what to say, especially if they haven’t done as well as you’d expect, please talk to us. If you want to know more, this might be a good place to start... [Link to article about developing confidence](#)

Mrs Julie Poulson - Headteacher

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#### **The Past Year!**



Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March was the National Day of Reflection and the anniversary of our first lockdown. A time to reflect on our collective loss, support those who’ve been bereaved and hold hope for a brighter future. At 12 noon, KS2 took a minute’s silence and KS1 had the opportunity to reflect. Here is a link to a moment for [reflection](#).

## **Finishing School Early at the end of Terms 2, 4 and 6**

Reminder - As we did at Christmas, we shall also finish early on the last day of Terms 4 and 6.

**We are finishing just after lunch** - Rec, Y1 & Y2 1.15 p.m. until 1.30 p.m. and Y3, Y4, Y5, & Y6 1.25 p.m. until 1.40 p.m."

This will apply for **Thursday 1st April 2021 (Easter) and Friday 16th July 2021 (Summer)**.

## **PE, Sports and BG SWEAT**

Last Thursday, the children in Years 1, 3 and 6 each enjoyed a free cricket taster session provided by the Chance to Shine coaches at Gloucestershire County Cricket. If you or your child would be interested in sessions run over the summer at various local cricket clubs for both girls and boys, now is the time to book at these links for All Stars Cricket (ages 5-8) <https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars> or Dynamos Cricket (8-11) <https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamoscricet>.

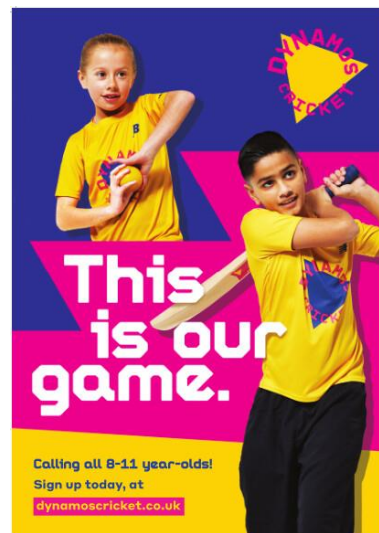
Andy Tucker, whose coaches we use both for some curriculum delivery and After School clubs, are running football camps this Easter. Find out more at <https://www.atsocccercamps.co.uk/pages/easter-holiday-soccer-camps>.

Aspire Sports are also running sessions over the Easter holidays for various ages and in various sports at GL1 and Oxstalls. These include, Tennis, Swimming and Multi-sports. See this link for more information <https://aspiretrust.org.uk/kids/holiday-programme>.

And keep an eye out next term for more exciting sporting events...



← 5-8 year olds



8-11 year olds →

[www.allstarscricket.co.uk](http://www.allstarscricket.co.uk)

[www.dynamocricket.co.uk](http://www.dynamocricket.co.uk)

## **Thank you for staying home**

The local authority has sent a letter, via schools, to thank everyone for staying home and suggesting ways in which we can all try to keep COVID-19 out of Beech Green Primary School. We would really appreciate everyone taking on board these suggestions, as clearly the virus is still out there. The letter is attached to this newsletter.

## **Changes to the Test and Trace support payment for parents**

[Claiming financial support under the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme – updated 22<sup>nd</sup> March 21](#)

Parents and carers of children who have been advised to self-isolate by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a [Test and Trace Support Payment](#) or discretionary payment of £500, if they meet the eligibility criteria. The extension of the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme, which is administered by district and unitary local authorities in England, ensures that parents receive the financial support they need if they are unable to attend work due to childcare responsibilities. Parents and carers should apply to their local authority to receive a payment and can check if they meet the criteria at the government link above.

## **Laptops**

May we please remind everyone who borrowed a laptop, that we need them all back by next Wednesday please. Thank you.

## **This Friday's Fish & Chips – Option 1**

Message from the kitchen - the fish delivery for Friday is breaded fish rather than battered fish - Fridays' option 1 will be Breaded Fish and Chips (not Battered Fish and Chips).

## **Holiday Activities and Food Programme 2021**

Attached is a reminder of the Gloucestershire County Scheme for FSM, for during the Easter holidays.

## **Red Nose Day – Comic Relief last Friday**

The School Council is very pleased to let you know that in the school red buckets we collected £277.28 and send many thanks to everyone, who as suggested, made their donation direct to the appeal this year either online or by text.

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[covid19@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:covid19@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk)

Beech Green Careline – 24-hour answerphone – 01452 722697

Website – [www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk](http://www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk)

## BEECH GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL - Uniform Order Form

**Child's Name: (PRINT)** .....

**Class:** .....

**Beech Green SWEATSHIRT with logo:**

Size	Unit price £	Quantity	Total price £
24"	9.50		
26"	9.50		
28"	9.50		
30"/32"	9.50		
34"	9.50		
Small adult	9.50		

**Beech Green COSY CARDI with logo: (sweatshirt fabric)**

Size	Unit price £	Quantity	Total price £
24"	10.50		
26"	10.50		
28"	10.50		
30"/32"	10.50		
34"	10.50		
Small adult 34/36"	10.50		

**Beech Green KNITWEAR CARDIGAN with logo:**

Size	Unit price £	Quantity	Total price £
24"	14.50		
26"	14.50		
28"	14.50		
30"	14.50		
32"	14.50		
34"	16.50		
36"	16.50		

**Beech Green POLO SHIRT with logo:**

Size	Unit price £	Quantity	Total price £
24"	7.50		
26"	7.50		
28"	7.50		
30"/32"	7.50		
34"	7.50		
Small adult	7.50		

**Beech Green FLEECE with logo:**

Size	Unit price £	Quantity	Total price £
24" (3-4 yrs)	12.75		
26" (5-6 yrs)	12.75		
28" (7-8 yrs)	12.75		
30"/32" (9-11 yrs)	12.75		
34" (12-13 yrs)	12.75		
Extra Small adult	12.75		
Small adult	14.00		

**Beech Green P.E. BAGS with logo:**

Colour	Unit price £	Quantity	Total price £
Royal blue	4.00		
Red	4.00		
Yellow	4.00		
Emerald Green	4.00		
Purple	4.00		

**Beech Green P.E. KIT:**

Garment	Unit price £	Quantity and size	Total price £
PE Black Shorts – Waist 14/16" (3-4 yrs) or 18/20" (5-6 yrs) or 22/24" or 26/28" or 30/32"	5.50		
PE White T-Shirt with logo 24"/26"/28"/30"/32"/XS/S	5.50		

**Cheques to be made payable to 'Beech Green Primary School'**

**TOTAL VALUE £** .....