

# Beech Green Primary School

## *"Believe Grow Persevere Succeed"*

### Newsletter for Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Understandably the secondary schools have cancelled transition days. We are going to continue with the planned 'move up' day on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July**. Our lovely Year 6 pupils will complete transition activities in their bubble. Please see additional information with this newsletter and look out for a Parent Mail about your child's new class.

I explained a few weeks ago that Sarah Williams will be seconded to The Shrubberies School in September; whilst this is a fantastic opportunity for her, she has left us with a hugely important role to fill. Sarah does so much more than her job description; she has been a pupil champion, supported families and our wake and shake queen for many years. Her calm, kind, inclusive approach and her expertise will be missed. I am now able to tell you that these big shoes will be filled by two existing teachers as a job share... Mrs Jo Ballinger and Mrs Lisa Thorne will take responsibility for our pupils with Special Education Needs (SEN) across the school. Mrs Weeks is going to take on the role of Thrive and Trailblazer lead.

We are grateful to everyone for working with us over what has been a particularly difficult few weeks, your understanding, communication and vigilance is much appreciated.

Thank you all so much.

Mrs Julie Poulson Headteacher

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#### **Professional Photos and Drone Aerial Movie for our School Website**

We are in the process of updating our school website and before we can move forward with that, we need some fabulous professional natural photos of all the marvellous things going on, in and around school. Many thanks to our very own Mrs Cherrington, who brought in her whizzy camera to take the high definition photos on the right side of this page, "What The Children Love About Beech Green."

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

We now give you heads up of two dates, when more photos will be taken around school...

#### **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021 from 10.30 a.m. – we welcome David Burn of Burnt Media**

David will be in school taking natural photos of the children and activities around school. This will include the Y6 Circus Skills, Y6 Forest School, Tally the School Dog, some classroom learning, any sport going on and a variety of OPAL play over the lunch time period. David will be in school for 3-4 hours.

#### **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021 from 11.30 a.m. – we welcome Brian who is a professional drone pilot photographer**

Brian will capture aerial photos and a movie by taking to the sky with his drone camera. An outside film of a school without children is very dull, so we are filming over the lunch time period, when we hope to capture a snapshot of OPAL play and Forest School. The children can just do what they do and ignore the drone (some chance of that!) with an opportunity to give a big wave from the sandpit.

We are aware of a handful of children whose parents have previously requested not to be included in photos for the school website, so we will ensure they do not get snapped or filmed.

## School Uniform for September – Have you placed your order yet?

Everyone who pre-ordered school uniform for September, should now have been contacted by us to say your order is ready for collection/payment. Y2 orders can be sorted next week.

If you still need uniform for September, but have not yet placed an order, then please note the last date for guaranteed delivery on 1<sup>st</sup> September, is fast approaching. The deadline for this term guaranteed delivery has now past.

**We need to order from our supplier by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Any orders placed by then will be delivered to school on the INSET day in September.**

Please let us know what you need, by emailing [admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk) no later than Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Many thanks. [www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk/uniform](http://www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk/uniform)

## Free School Meals and Trying To Increase Our School Pupil Premium Funding



Apply online for

**FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

Check to see if your child is eligible using the confidential online portal available on our website [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

Your child's school receives extra funding for each eligible child registered.

If you do not have internet access speak to your child's school.



You may also be able to get extra support for free milk, reduced contributions for school trips and uniform grants – check with your school.



All pupils in Reception and KS1 are entitled to a 'Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM)'. Schools meals are also available to pupils in KS2 at a current cost of £2.34 per day (£11.70 per week). These need to be paid for using [ParentPay](#) - please ask in the school office for a user name and password.

However, pupils throughout the whole school may also be entitled to 'Free School Meals (FSM)', which is different to UIFSM.

If as a parent/carer, if you are in receipt of one of the qualifying benefits (which are listed on the application form), please complete an application for FSM, via the Gloucestershire County Council portal; [apply for Free School Meals online](#). We would appreciate everyone who is entitled to Free School Meals to please claim it, as you save money on school dinners and school receives Pupil Premium Funding, which is directed at your child, based on this entitlement.

As way of a thank you, all new FSM claims, confirmed to us by Gloucestershire County Council, will be entitled to a free logo school sweatshirt, cardigan or polo shirt.

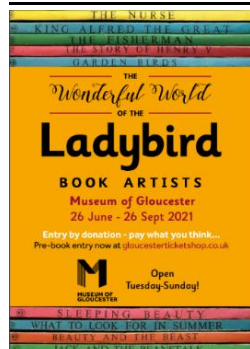
Once your claim is confirmed, we will be in touch to see what you would like and the size you need. Thank you.

## Kittle Photographic – Class and Y6 Leavers (With a Special Visit next week for Y2)

Last week the photographer came to take class photos and Y6 leavers – everyone will receive a proof card shortly.

So that Y2 are not left out, a Kittle photographer is coming back to take classes Willow and Birch, next Wednesday morning, when their self-isolating finishes.

## 'The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Book Artists' -Exhibition at Gloucester Museum



Starting Saturday 26 June until 26 September 2021

Entry by donation – pay what you think...

Pre-book entry now at [www.gloucesterticketshop.co.uk](http://www.gloucesterticketshop.co.uk)

In this wonderful new exhibition, uncover the story of the talented artists who illustrated Ladybird books for more than 30 years. This beautiful and colourful exhibition puts on display an unparalleled collection of books, original artwork and artefacts and shows how the numerous, talented Ladybird illustrators played such an enormous role in the extraordinary success of the company in the 20th century.

## **Pantomime 2021?**

Many of you will know, it has long been a Beech Green tradition to take the whole school to the theatre to watch a family pantomime. We understand some of you may be wondering what will happen this coming panto season. The truth is, we don't know. We do know, our local Everyman Theatre hopes to stage Jack & The Bean Stalk. The school office would by now normally have booked tickets, but whilst we are in conversation with the theatre about the logistics of getting the whole school safely to the theatre and whilst we still don't know how long we will be required to work in school bubbles, then we simply cannot make a booking. If and when anything changes, then we will let you all know and would stagger the charges on ParentPay, should it become possible to take the children to the panto this year.

## **Summer Holiday Club**

We are delighted to be able to tell you that we will be **OPEN** for the first 4 weeks of this summer holiday. There is still currently guidance in place that we have to follow but this might change.

We understand that finding childcare has been a challenge for families and we hope you are as pleased as we are that we will be opening again.

If you are interested in Holiday Club places with us this summer, there is a letter explaining the procedures to follow, as they stand now and an application form for places on the following website. [www.beechgreennursery.co.uk/beech-green-out-of-school-clubs.php](http://www.beechgreennursery.co.uk/beech-green-out-of-school-clubs.php)

If you would like places, please can we ask that you get the form back to us as soon as you can as places are now very limited. This can be via school (marked for the attention of Holiday Club), posted to the school address or emailed to [info@beechgreennursery.co.uk](mailto:info@beechgreennursery.co.uk). Places are now very limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Beech Green Nursery Tel: 07725 842 309

Beech Green Out of School Clubs: Tel: 07845 995 458

Email: [info@beechgreennursery.co.uk](mailto:info@beechgreennursery.co.uk)

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

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

[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 – What to wear

### WINTER UNIFORM

Grey Skirt/Pinafore or Grey/Black Trousers  
White Polo Shirt or White Shirt  
Bottle Green Sweatshirt, Jumper or Cardigan  
Green/Grey/White Socks or Tights

### SUMMER UNIFORM

Grey Skirt/Pinafore or Grey/Black Trousers  
Optional Grey/Black Shorts (Not PE Shorts)  
White Polo Shirt or White Shirt  
Green and White school uniform type Dress  
Bottle Green Sweatshirt, Jumper or Cardigan  
Green/Grey or White Socks

### P.E. KIT TO BE KEPT IN A P.E. BAG - CLEARLY LABELLED

Plain White or Beech Green logo T-shirt  
Black P.E. Shorts (football or leggings style)  
Plimsolls (Daps) or Trainers

#### Footwear

Children should wear shoes, not trainers, that are suitable for school and will need a pair of Velcro trainers in school for the Daily Mile, plus Wellington boots for playtimes and Forest School sessions.

#### Coat

Children will need an outdoor coat

#### Hair

Children with longer hair should wear it tied back away from their face.  
Hair should not be dyed or worn in an 'extreme' style, such as a 'mohican'.

Jewellery should not be worn to school, other than stud earrings and watches.

Children should please not wear makeup or nail varnish.

**ALL CLOTHES MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED PLEASE**

**BOOK BAGS are highly recommended**

# 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 P.E. BAGS with logo:**

Colour	Unit price £	Quantity	Total price £
PE bag	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		

<p><b>Cheques to be made payable to 'Beech Green Primary School'</b> or you can send in cash with your order</p>	<p><b>TOTAL VALUE £</b> .....</p>
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