Beech Green Primary School "Believe Grow Persevere Succeed" Newsletter for Thursday 15th July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

One of the highlights of my day is wandering around outside at lunchtime. We are fortunate to have lots of space which we've continued to develop over the last year. I thought you might like a sneaky preview of the drone film we made with the help of Mr Brian Webb last week. It was filmed through a typical lunchtime and captures the range of activities as well as the level of activity. It includes a Forest School session, our recently installed climbing wall (funded by FABG) and staff 'acting' as parents in the Family Tree Café, which we hope to open again in September. The Family Tree Cafe

Here's the link for the video drone film... https://youtu.be/g3CVXRsl-rs

There are other changes that we are proud of this year. Being part of the Gloucestershire Trailblazer project has enabled us to make referrals to support children's emotional well-being. Mrs Weeks is leading this work and has asked me to remind you to complete the survey please that was originally sent out by ParentMail on Monday.

Here is the link to the survey... https://forms.gle/cBUAbVsdoSQvk1bv8

Academic achievement, support and challenge has been a priority this year, the introduction of Read Write Inc was a huge investment in terms of time and money, but it continues to make an equally big difference to children's ability to read and write, with increased confidence and fluency. Similarly, 'Can Do Maths' has helped children develop reasoning skills, maths vocabulary and provided a more consistent framework across the school. The knowledge organisers, which have been sent with the transition information explain what your child will be learning across all subjects.

Continuously looking to improve our work, we have made plans and prioritised projects for next year. The parent and pupil survey responses are so helpful, they ensure we shape our school to meet the needs of our families and community.

It is a never ending task, but we love working with your children and want to make sure we are doing our best for all of them and you.

I hope you have the opportunity to rest and relax this summer. The covid19@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk email will be checked daily through the summer, please email us if you need help.

Mrs Julie Poulson Headteacher

@beech_green



Year 6 – Production and Good Luck



Last week, the children in Year 6 children recorded their end of year production, "Wow, What a year!", thanks to David from Burnt Media. The staff were immensely proud of them – their singing was incredible and they really "acted up" on the day, despite the fact that they couldn't perform for a live audience. Everyone has watched the recording today in their classrooms, and the Year 6 children even did a lap of honour around the school to receive their applause. They really were incredible – lots of tissues were needed!

Parents of Year 6 children should have received the link to watch the performance earlier today: we hope they enjoy it as much as we did!

Congratulations, Year 6 – it was a fitting end to your time at Beech Green!

Farewell Mrs Williams

We are going to miss Mrs Sarah Williams, who has done a brilliant job here at Beech Green. We know she is moving onto a new challenge and wish her every success with that. Good luck and thank you.

Early Finish tomorrow - Reminder

End of Term Friday 16th July. We finish early tomorrow... your collection times are...

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.

Start of New Academic Year

Wednesday 1st September 2021 – INSET day for staff only

Thursday 2nd September 2021 - The children come back to school today - Years 1 to 6

Monday 6th September 2021 - Reception 2021 start school

Emotional Wellbeing Support

At Beech Green, we are committed to promoting positive mental health and emotional wellbeing to all our pupils and their families and we do lots of work to support this. We are now fortunate to be working, as one of 8 schools in Gloucester, on a project to build on this even further. The project is run by Emotion Coaching UK and they are requesting that we send a survey out to all our families, as a starting point. We understand that it is a really busy time of year but would really appreciate you taking the time to complete this short online survey (link below) so we know what you think we are doing well and what you think we need to work on next. Thank you, as usual, for all your support.

https://forms.gle/cBUAbVsdoSQvk1bv8

Outdoor Play and Learning Booklet

Your eldest child will be bringing home an OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) booklet today. As you know we have been an OPAL school since May 2019 and have enjoyed so many benefits that the OPAL programme has brought us. The booklet has been produced to support your child's play with you; it includes top tips, advice and suggestions for more outdoor play at home. Please feel free to share any amazing play with us on Twitter using @beech green and @OPAL CIC Happy playing!

It's time to say thank you...

Mrs Poulson has already thanked all our wonderful families for your support this year and everything we have all done together during the past academic year of pandemic. It has been a year none of us will forget. We are all here for your children; they are the reason for getting up each day and coming into school, no matter what. Well done children, you have been amazing and made our jobs worthwhile and rewarding.

Thank you FABG

We have missed all the fun things you normally organise for us and look forward to when FABG social and school events can once again resume. Despite not being able to fund raise this year, they have still supported school generously, with donations towards the 'Grow in Hope Scheme', the Y6 Leavers gifts and £1,000 of books for the school library.

Au Revior and Thank You to our Chair of Governors – Mrs Sarah Costello-Byrne

Our Chair of Governors, Mrs Sarah Costello-Byrne is standing down at the end of this academic year. Sarah has been a governor at Beech Green for seven years and Chair of Governors for much of that time. Being the Chair of a Governing Body is often challenging, so thank you Sarah for all your support over the years. Your time and work has been much appreciated.

Thank you to our Governing Body

I am sure many of you know the fun and games of holding business meetings via Zoom or Teams; many of us have got used to the new normal, but secretly long for when we can meet in person to discuss matters of school. Thanks to our school governors who have continued to keep a watchful eye over the governance at Beech Green.

<u>Lost Property – Found and Named Items have been returned</u>

Thank you to Co-Opted Governor Luke Thompson, who yesterday and today came in to sort the latest mountain of lost property. All the items which were named have been returned. Please do remember to clearly name every item of clothing and drinks bottles that come into school, as we always have far too much lost property and most often, never know who to return it to.

The Holiday Activity and Food programme (HAF) is now live

Please follow the link to our interactive map where you will be able to click on your district to see what activities are taking place and to sign up your children on the Children's Activity Booking System (CABS):

<u>Click here to access our HAF website</u>
Or visit: <u>Gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf</u>



We wish you all some relaxation, fun and good health for the summer holidays. Enjoy!

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Beech Green Careline – 24-hour answerphone – 01452 722697 Website – 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:
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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:

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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	5.50			
18/20" (5-6 yrs) or 22/24" or 26/28" or 30/32"				
PE White T-Shirt with logo	5.50			
24"/26"/28"/30"/32"/XS/S				
Cheques to be made payable to 'Beech Green Primary School'			OTAL VALUE £	
or you can send in cash with your order				