

# Beech Green Primary School

## “Respect, Achieve, Belong”

### Newsletter for Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, we have smashed our original target by 286%. We now have £1081 online at JustGiving and £603 cash sent directly into school.



**Our Grand Total is £1684.**

That is an amazing amount for us to spend on books for the school library. Thank you so much. Our thanks also Josie's aunty Sally Thomas and Barmy about books (*in partnership with Usborne*) they are adding an extra £360 as we

have exceeded the £600 target. Beech Green you are fabulous; this will make such a difference to the quality and quantity of books we can offer to all the children. The JustGiving site will stay active until Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March. [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/beecheenlibrary?utm\\_term=GGyAqrBMN](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/beecheenlibrary?utm_term=GGyAqrBMN)

#### School Council Survey and Quiet Lunchtimes

As part of our safeguarding and playtime survey the school councillors have gathered information from all the classes about what is and isn't working for our children. Where pupils feel safe and what they want to change. From this we have started to make some important changes. These include:

- A quieter space to eat – the whole school have returned to eating in the hall. This means an average of 200 children all together, talking, laughing and unfortunately at times shouting to be heard. Our aim is to create a space where all children can talk quietly, feel safe and happy. It is challenge, if you have any thoughts or ideas please do email me [head@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:head@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk)
- Buddies are back! Understandably some of our small children are getting a bit lost around the whole school site. We plan to reintroduce our buddies so young children have a big person to help them at playtime and lunchtime.
- Assemblies and whole school events. We have really missed being part of a big school, recognising our individual and collective responsibility to each other and the positive contribution we can make is so important; more information to follow.

#### Colouring Books for Ukraine



Along with other Quedgeley primary schools we are collecting colouring books, coloured pencils or wax crayons for children in Ukraine. Mrs Jenny Frost volunteers for TEAMS 4U. The charity will ship colouring books, pencils or crayons we collect.

The books **MUST be colouring books** (not plain or lined notebooks) or you can donate wax crayons or colouring pencils only. Pencil sharpeners are also useful. There are rigid Aid export rules which need to be followed so that the lorry is not held up at Customs - special dispensations are in place to allow speedy passage. Please see the attached poster.

The deadline for any donations is Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April.

Mrs Julie Poulson Headteacher

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### **Comic Relief - this Friday**

This Friday is Red Nose Day. The children are invited to **WEAR ODD SOCKS** to school.

Wear them over your trousers, make them as bright and bold as you like - how creative will you be?

If you are able to, please send your child to school with a donation of £1

You can find out more about how your donation will make a real difference by visiting [www.comicrelief.com/what-your-money-does](http://www.comicrelief.com/what-your-money-does) Thank you for your support.

### **Covid – We are now supposed to use our common sense!**

This week we've needed to send Warn and Inform letters to three year groups and we have five members of school staff currently off with Covid.

**We would really encourage and appreciate your help by not coming to school if you are Covid positive** as you will be in contact with many others also dropping off or collecting their children. Please ask if you need help with the school run, if you are Covid positive.

### **Beech Green Fleece**

We have one 28" Beech Green fleece in stock, if anyone is interested. £12.75 to the first to ask.

### **Football Match Report - Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> March**

#### **Plate Competition: Beech Green vs Kingsway & Field Court**

It was a tough two games against Field Court and Kingsway. For the first match, Field Court vs Kingsway, it was a good game to watch. In the tenth minute Field Court got a penalty, they scored. In the end Field Court won 1-0.

Next game it was Beech Green Vs Field Court. We took lots of shots against Field Court but it ended 0-0, unlucky Beech Green.

Next game it was against Kingsway and Beech Green, it was 1-0 and we scored from a penalty and it stayed like that for the rest of the game.

After the three games, we were level on points with Field Court, so it went to penalties where we sadly lost 4-3.

*By Mason Jackson and Oskar Allen*

### **Stranger Danger**

Gloucestershire County Council advises schools when strange incidents happen around the county and we have been asked to remind parents and pupils walking home alone to remain vigilant and not to approach cars if someone tries to speak to them. Please remind your children of the principles of Stranger Danger. Thank you. [www.safety4kids.com.au/safety-zone/stranger-danger](http://www.safety4kids.com.au/safety-zone/stranger-danger)

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