

# Beech Green Primary School

## *“Respect, Achieve, Belong”*

### Newsletter for Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

We made it to the end of term. Throughout, we have managed to make learning happen because people here step up and generously offer to help across the school. I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to our whole school team.

Mrs Thorne starts her maternity leave after Easter; we wish her and her family the very best. Mrs Ballinger will be increasing her SENCo role; Miss McEvoy will cover Year 2 and Mrs Gittings will teach in Reception on Thursdays. Mrs Hart has offered to work Friday afternoon in Rowan and Miss Westcott is excited to find out more about teaching reading in writing in KS2 on a Thursday morning. As always, please do talk to the teachers if you are concerned about your child.

Thank you to the parents who raised a concern about year group rewards. I can only apologise about the lack of joined up thinking. We know how difficult it is to make everything seem fair, especially if only one of your children have a non-uniform day. To make it simple, tomorrow is a whole school non-uniform day. I have posted this on the Facebook page as well.

Non-school uniform for every child tomorrow, each year group has planned fun activities. In case you missed the parent mails:

- Reception – film morning, you can wear your own clothes.
- Year 1 – a secret surprise treat, you can wear your own clothes.
- Year 2 – party games and wear your own clothes.
- Year 3 – bring some non-electronic games and wear your own clothes.
- Years 4 – in class games and art, wear your own clothes.
- Year 5 – an egg hunt and wear your own clothes.
- Year 6 – bring some non-electronic games and wear your own clothes.



It is Mrs Frost's last day at Beech Green tomorrow. I am sure many of you will agree that Mrs Frost is an incredibly talented teaching assistant, fabulous first aider and generally excellent person. Everyone at Beech Green school wishes her well as she starts a new job. Mrs Frost has also combined the work she does with TEAMS4 U collecting and distributing shoe boxes and most recently colouring books and pencils to children who are most in need.

Good luck Mrs Frost! We will miss you.

Finally thank you families and friends. Your support throughout has been unbelievably understanding and patient. The kindness and appreciation you have shown adds to the pride we are feel and strengthens our commitment to serve the Beech Green community. I hope you all have an enjoyable two weeks.

Mrs Julie Poulson Headteacher

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## **School Times After Easter - Reminder**

After Easter, the coming in to school and going home window will narrow to:

8.50 a.m. – 9.00 a.m. and

3.10 p.m. to 3.20 p.m. for all.

**It is important for all children to arrive on time to school, so that they catch the early morning start to lessons and understand what is going on.** The late mark is applied to anyone arriving after 9.00 a.m.

## **Covid Guidance from 1<sup>st</sup> April**

From 1st April, children and staff who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can return to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they feel well enough. Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice is to stay home for 3 days.

At school, we continue to keep windows and doors open and air filters on; we think hand washing is just good hygiene and so will still be asking pupils to clean their hands at least twice a day in addition to after using the toilet. Please keep working with us as we try to keep staff, children and our families as infection free as possible. Phone or email if your child is unwell, as usual. The 'Warn and Inform' letters will stop after Easter; if you are particularly concerned about this change of guidance or someone in your household is vulnerable, please let us know.

## **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

We had a massive response to our comprehensive clubs list; due to staff absences we have not been able to send out the allocation emails. Look out for these in the first week back after Easter.

## **Information on the Spring Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme from Gloucestershire County Council - Reminder**

The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme, funded by the Department for Education, will be returning this Spring break between 11-14th April for children in reception to year 11 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals (FSM). If you are eligible please claim.

To stay up to date on all HAF news... Visit Gloucestershire's HAF website: [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf)

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