



# Beech Green Primary School

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Newsletter for Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

There is a lot of learning going on right up to the last week of term.



The children in Year 5 have produced this beautiful work. The Double Page Spreads show what they have learned and remembered.



End of year reports should be ready to hand out on Monday 11th July. You are, of course, welcome to make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher. Email them directly if you'd like to arrange a meeting.

Almost everyone had a chance to meet their new teacher yesterday. At Beech Green we know the value of positive relationships; children connect with adults who connect with them. Everyone will be making every effort to get to know their new class throughout July. Please drop and collect your child at their classroom on Thursday 7th July; you are welcome to drop in to meet the teachers after school that day.

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July Sport's morning is being carefully planned, it is a celebration of sporting activities across our whole school site. Please look out for the parent mail next week. It is meant to be fun, a chance for children to be active and enjoy a mixture of collaborative and competitive sports; you have been invited to see your child run, dance, jump or work as part of a team. Please do tell us politely what you think of the morning or if you have any ideas about how we might improve it next year.

Mrs Julie Poulson Headteacher

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## **Thank you and good luck to Miss Crowther**

We are delighted to share the exciting news that Miss Crowther has a class teacher position in a primary school in Teignmouth, Devon. We will be sad to say goodbye to Miss Crowther at the end of term, but thank her for everything she has done at Beech Green and we wish her every success and happiness as she starts her new venture living and working by the seaside on the south coast.

## **School Council News**

Tesco and The Gloucester Food Bank have invited us to support their collection day once again. They told us that we made a massive impact on their donations last time so were very keen for us to support them again. Beech Green School Councillors will be in Tesco on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July working with the Food Bank volunteers. We know things are financially tight for everyone at the moment but if you are able to make a donation, it would be great. Pop in and chat to one of our school councillors, they will be happy to explain to you about their work. Hopefully see you in Tesco on Friday.

## **Caterlink Price Increase**

Advance warning that a school meal price will be £2.36 from September. Whilst we are all currently experiencing significant food inflation, this price is guaranteed to the 31st March 2023.

## **Current Y2 – note that you start paying for dinners in Y3 – Are you entitled to FSM?**

If your child is moving from Y2 to Y3 in September, then you will be used to getting a free universal KS1 dinner, but from September you will need to start paying £2.36 per day, which needs to be available on ParentPay before you request a meal.

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals (FSM), but have never got around to claiming it, then this is the time to login and make sure you continue to get a FSM.

Visit [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) now, to check if you are entitled.

## **Current Y6 – money on ParentPay**

The current Y6 need to note that any money you have left on your ParentPay account does **not** carry over to secondary school, so only pay the dinner money you will need for meals at Beech Green until the end of term.

## **Calendar Dates for July 2022**

4 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Dress Rehearsal Year 6 play
5 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Year 6 play
7 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Move up day and teddy bears picnic
7 <sup>th</sup> July	-	FABG disco
8 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Whole School Sports morning <b>9.30 to 11.00 a.m. - parents welcome to watch</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> July week	-	Year 6 non-residential week
11 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Reports due out
21 <sup>st</sup> July	-	Leavers' assembly
21 <sup>st</sup> July	-	Finish early for end of Term 6 <b>Rec, Y1 &amp; Y2 1.15 p.m. until 1.30 p.m. and Y3, Y4, Y5, &amp; Y6 1.25 p.m. until 1.40 p.m.</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	-	School Closed for Summer Holidays

## **Vacancies**

**Out of School Club Cleaner** - 4.30pm to 5.45pm. Monday to Friday plus two weeks in the holidays.

**1:1 Play Team Member** - 1 hour over the lunch period supporting one child. Monday to Friday, term time only.

For either job, please contact Amy Bancroft School Business Manager 01452 722363 or [bursar@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk) for more information.

## **Free Vouchers, Food Hampers and Activities during the summer**

A bit to read below on how you can claim free food or activities during the summer; there is something for everyone, so do take a moment to read the following...

### **Information on the Holiday FSM voucher scheme for the summer period**

This summer holiday, Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) is providing vouchers to parents who have signed up to their Holiday Free School Meals (FSM) scheme. These vouchers are provided by GCC as part of its commitment to 'no child goes hungry'.

Parents who are registered will receive £15 per eligible child, per week. For the summer holiday, GCC will be providing 2 weeks' worth of vouchers, as they did in the previous summer holiday. The scheme is eligible for children aged 4-16 years old.

Parents who have signed up previously do not need to re-register, they will have already been included. For those parents who have already signed up, if more of your children have become entitled to free school meals since you applied, then please contact [childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk) so they can update your account, as this not an automatic process.

Applications for Holiday Free School Meal Vouchers for the summer holiday period is now open until the midday on the 12 July. Voucher emails will be sent out between 13 and 14 July. Please check your junk/spam email folders during this period as sometimes the vouchers end up there.

For more information and to sign up if you haven't already, please visit the website: the Holiday School Meal vouchers page on [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/holiday-school-meal-vouchers](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/holiday-school-meal-vouchers)

### **Information on the Holiday Activity and Food programme (HAF) and food hamper bookings for the summer holidays**

Holiday Activity Food Programme (HAF), HAF and food hampers.

HAF and HAF are returning this summer!

Click here to watch a launch video!<[https://youtu.be/vr\\_S4Qlj5EY](https://youtu.be/vr_S4Qlj5EY)>

From 1 - 26 August, eligible children and young people of Gloucestershire will be able to take part in exciting and fun activities across the county in the Holiday Activity and Food programme (HAF). Through match funding we have also been able to extend our offer once again to all families through the Holiday Activities Programme (HAP).

Bookings for activities will open from 11 July. Make sure you've got your Children's Activity Booking System (CABS) account ready in the meantime by following the link below:

<https://gloucestershirecounty.coordinate.cloud/account/register>

For more information you can visit the website

at [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf)<<http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf>> where you can stay up to date on news.

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#### Food Hamper information for the summer

During the summer HAF which runs from 1 - 26 August, families eligible for benefits related free school meals will be able to book and receive two weeks of food hampers.

If you are currently receiving vouchers from the Holiday Free School Meal Voucher scheme, you are eligible to receive food hampers too.

As well as hampers, delicious and nutritious food will be available at all HAF activity sites for children to enjoy.

Gloucester City

If you live in Gloucester City, you will be able to book your food hampers from 11 July until 29 July.

To make sure you don't miss out, you can follow your district lead on Facebook by clicking here

[www.facebook.com/gloscityhaf2021](https://www.facebook.com/gloscityhaf2021) or keep up to date by visiting our website at

[www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf)

## **Football Success**

A very well done to Luis Wareham, who is in year 3 and who has passed his trials for Gloucester Elite football Academy/Aston Villa. Good luck Luis; a great achievement.

## **Uniform**

Many of you will be aware we've had staff absence in the school office. We are now in the process of catching up with uniform orders and despatch. If you have previously ordered uniform, then please bear with us whilst we continue to catch up with orders and ordering. We apologise for any delay or inconvenience and will keep you updated, via this newsletter.

## **This Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 10.30 a.m. at St James Church, Quedgeley**

The new vicar, Revd Mark Siddall, is inviting families to a childrens' service on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 10.30 a.m. to 11.15 a.m. There will be snacks and drinks afterwards. All welcome. Revd Mark looks forward to meeting local families.



## **The Spring Centre Summer Fayre**

**16 July - 11 am – 2 pm**

Fun activities for all ages  
Balloon modelling, Bouncy Castle  
Enchanted Princesses  
Tombola, Face painting  
Craft stalls, things to make and to buy  
Refreshments, cakes

Support this charity helping families with children and young adults with additional needs  
Gardner House, Olympus Park, Quedgeley. GL2 4NF  
For details or to book a stall, give us a call Tel: 01452 725935

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

Beech Green Careline – 24-hour answerphone – 01452 722697

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