



Beech Green News

Thursday 11th April

School News



And we're back and so are baguettes!



The start of the summer term, although the weather is a little behind schedule we are excited by all the exciting events planned over the next few months. Following some feedback from parents we now only put the dates on the website. We aim to put these on a term in advance.

<https://www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk/>

Tomorrow is Mrs Stringer's last day before she starts her maternity leave. Whilst we are thrilled for her and her husband Beech Green will not be the same without her. A super teacher who is supremely organised, Mrs Stringer makes a unmeasurably positive contribution to our school; the staff, children and probably many of you will miss her presence. Thankfully we have recruited a lovely teacher to cover Mrs Stringer's time off with her family; Shawwal Naeem has been at school most of the week, getting to know the children and finding out about the routines, expectations and curriculum. Please feel free to say 'hello', it will make her feel welcome.

Once again Mrs Price and I are monitoring attendance and lateness. I know it is difficult and family life can be a challenge, but please do everything you can to get your child to school on time. If we are particularly concerned because the level of lateness and absence is significantly low we will be contacting you directly to arrange a meeting.

Thank you to everyone who emailed or spoke to us about baguettes; it is a joy to see parent power in action.

Julie Poulson

Headteacher



Achievement News

Lucrezia, in Yr4, made spaghetti Bolognese all by herself over the holidays for her family, she was very proud, as was Mum, who reported that it was delicious!

Charlie, Yr6, qualified for the South West of England Regional Swimming Championships. Charlie will race the 1500m freestyle on Sunday 21st April in Bristol in the Olympic standard, 50m pool. A fantastic achievement!

The last day for sending any Achievement photos/news is 19.4.24, as this is when we will move onto our next Beech Green Value.





Greek Pottery

Year 3 have been looking at patterns and pictures on Greek pottery this week, and designing their own patterns. Over the next term they will be recreating them in clay.

Guitar Lessons

We are exploring the possibility of asking a peripatetic guitar teacher to come into school and teach. Lessons are 15 minutes in duration and happen once a week during term time. Individual (1-1) lessons cost £9, and paired lessons (2-1) are £6.50 per lesson. If you are interest in your child having a lesson, please email the school office on admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk.

Caterlink News

Caterlink have increased the price of a school meal to £2.71. The new price came into effect on April 1st, which might mean that some parentpay accounts may need topping up.

Following negotiations with caterlink we are pleased to announce that baguettes are back! They will be the Amber choice on Tuesday and Thursday and can be filled with either cheese, ham or tuna.

Parent Discussion Groups

Triple P parenting support are offering the following discussion groups over the summer for families.

Discussion group age 0-12

Bedtime routines - 23/7/24, 12.30 - 2.30pm

Dealing with disobedience - 29/7/24, 12.30 - 2.30pm

Managing fighting and aggression - 19/8/24, 12.30 - 2.30pm

Hassle free shopping - 28/8/24, 12.30 - 2.30pm

Discussion Group Teen 12+

Getting teenagers to co-operate- 24/7/24, 12.30 - 2.30pm

Dealing with teenager's emotions - 30/7/24, 12.30-2.30pm

Building teenagers survival skills - 20/8/24, 12.30-2.30pm

Reducing family conflict - 27/8/24, 12.30-2.30pm

Families will need to be referred by school in order to access the groups, so if you are affected by any of these issues and would like to participate, please email Mrs Ogden on dawnogden@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk

Beech Green Community Fund

What is the Beech Green Community Fund?

With the help of voluntary contributions, we hope to do all we can to off-set the financial pressures that schools and families are facing at the moment. It's our ambition to be able to give our children an equal opportunity to participate in all experiences Beech Green can offer, whether that be

accessing equipment, taking part in extra-curricular activities or making a positive change to the school environment.

How can we become a supporter?

You can make a donation via your parentpay account under the item, “Beech Green Community Fund.” We understand family circumstances differ, so are keen to create a culture of giving at a level that suits each individual. We value each and every donation, even £1 a month will make a difference. You can make a one-off donation when you can, or have the ability to set up a direct debit if you wish. We will keep you informed, via our fortnightly newsletter, of how the money raised by supporters is helping the school and it’s community.

Thank you!

Clubs – Term 5 & 6

Clubs will run from after school until 4:15pm, starting in the week-beginning 15th April and running for 12 weeks until the week-beginning 8th July. If there is a cost involved (for an outdoor coach or materials) and your child receives Free School Meals then costings may be able to be met – please contact the school office to discuss.

Please sign-up by emailing admin@beechgreen.gloucs.sch.uk

Club	Adult	Year Groups	Day	Max No's
Football (£3 per week)	Coach (Prostars)	ALL	Tuesday	20
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Chess**	Mrs Poulson	ALL	Tuesday Lunchtime	
Athletics – Term 5 Only	Coach (Laura -OTB)	ALL	Thursday	16
Book Club (continuing)	Mrs Earl	5,6	Tuesday	15
Tropical Art (Cost = £5 per session)	Mrs Howe	ALL	Wednesday	12
Opal Club (Term 5)	Mrs Layhe Mrs Weeks	EYFS and KS1	Monday	30
Yoga (Term 5)*	Mrs Campbell	3,4	Monday	15
Yoga (Term 6)*	Mrs Campbell	5, 6	Monday	15
Rounders (Term 6)	Mrs Dyer	4,5	Monday	20
Green Fingers	Mrs Thorne	KS2	Friday	15
Mindfulness (Term 5)	Miss Whitfield Mrs Hicks	REC	Monday	20

*Please note yoga club will finish at 4.00

** As this is a lunchtime club, there is no need to sign up just encourage your child to attend if they wish to do so.

Due to over subscription last term we have managed to get an extra day for football club. If you would like your child to attend football club, please could you specify Tuesday/Wednesday/either and we will do our best to meet your need. Please note your child will only be able to sign up for one of the football clubs.

Extra-curricular Clubs

This week we have sent out a list of the clubs on offer for the children to choose to attend after school. Please let us know by Friday 12th April which clubs your child is interested in participating in. As places are limited, it is our intention to try to make sure that every child who has requested has at least one club, so it's not first come, first served, but we will sort through the emails Friday afternoon and send notifications out promptly.

Parking

Please can we remind parents not to park in the school carpark at the beginning or end of the day. There is plenty of free parking on the Tesco site, and a safe route to cross via the zebra crossing.

Headlice

We've had a report of headlice in KS1, please can everyone check their child's head regularly and treat accordingly. Thank you.



FILM NIGHT

Friday 26 th April

Refreshments included in the price

Films to be decided by school council

3.30pm - 5.30pm

Depending on length of film

£4.00 pre paid ONLY

Monday 22nd April
Wednesday 24th April
Thursday 25th April



After school club have automatic entry if they wish to participate



We still have to get up for school
but we can wear our PJ's all day!

**PYJAMAS
ALL
DAY**

Optional Donation all proceeds will go to
Stand up to Cancer



Order Your School Uniform Online



Free Delivery to School Service

Orders are placed in a queue until 15th and 30th of each month and delivered into School up to 14 days after.

IMPORTANT SUMMER HOLIDAY ORDER INFORMATION

Last order date for free delivery into school is **14th June** then service switches to home delivery until **13th September**
(Place your home delivery order by 26th July for delivery before the start of term)

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Brigade Uniform Ordering

If you're thinking of ordering school uniform for September, Brigade clothing have just released the new deadline dates for 2024. For free delivery to school, you'll need to order by June 14th, then the service will switch to home delivery only.

Community News



 **Denmark Road High School**
Discover Realise Honour Shape



OPEN MORNING

Thursday 2nd May
8.45-10.30am
Headteacher Welcome Talk at 9am

Join us for the Denmark Road experience. No booking required.
Denmark Road High School, Gloucester, GL1 3JN

SIR THOMAS RICH'S OPEN DAYS

Wed 24 April / Thurs 25 April

Information talks and tours
at 9.30am and 10.45am

Sir Thomas Rich's School Gloucester warmly invites Year 4 and 5 boys and their parents to our next Open Days on 24 and 25 April.

Find out more about life and study at the School, and take a tour with some of our current Year 8 students acting as your guides.

Register online at www.strschool.co.uk



Quedgeley
**COMMUNITY
PANTRY**
QUEDGELEY TOWN COUNCIL

Have you heard about the new Quedgeley Community Pantry being set-up by Quedgeley Town Council?

Community food pantries help people access affordable and healthy food, toiletries, and household items. They work on a membership basis, allowing people to sign up and go for a shop-like experience. This means they can go to the pantry and choose which items they want and need, giving people more independence and tackling the stigma.

The pantry will be stocked using donations from local stores and individuals, and further subsidised using funds donated or arranged by Quedgeley Town Council.

As this is a community project, that is due to open on Wednesday 13th March 2024, we are holding a food drive, hoping for donations of non-perishable items from our school community, please.

This food drive will run at school during the week of Monday February 26th to Friday 1st March, and the Community Pantry will be grateful for anything you are able to donate.

If you would like to know more about the Community Pantry, volunteer to help run the pantry, or would like to become a member, please contact Victoria Ranford, Quedgeley Town Councillor, by email at Victoria.Ranford@quedgeley-tc.gov.uk or via her Facebook page 'Victoria Ranford Quedgeley Town Councillor'.

Many thanks to you all, and please remember that if you are struggling to afford to feed your family at this difficult economic time, please contact our school Family Support Worker on _____ and we will be able to offer assistance.

Quedgeley Community Pantry, Kingsway Sports Pavilion, Newhaven Road, Kingsway, Quedgeley, GL2 2SN

Quedgeley Town Council, Unit 8 Olympus Business Centre, Quedgeley, Gloucester, GL2 4NF

Tel: 01452 721552

Dates this Term

Please see school website

<https://www.beechgreenprimary.co.uk/calendar-dates>

Contact Us

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Email addresses for Wildwood After School Club and extra-curricular clubs

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