

NEWSLETTER

18July 2025

WELCOME

Dear Parents and Carers,

It seems unbelievable that this is the final newsletter of this academic year.

It has been a very positive year for the Beechfield school community. We have had many successes over the year which we are very proud of.

The school curriculum is well planned and organised with clear end points and specific enrichment visits and visitors. We are thrilled that our excellent teaching team and support team are ALL staying with us for September.

All of our national test outcomes are above the national average which is testament to the hard work and commitment from the whole community, children, parents and staff.

We were over subscribed for our Reception and Nursery places this year. This was brilliant especially as other local schools have had spaces.

The children have shown great behaviour for learning and all visitors have commented on the purposeful learning atmosphere. Where they have been issues these have been addressed and support sought for any children who need some extra help.

We have worked hard to improve attendance and punctuality together, and continue to want every child in school everyday from September 4th. We know that there are clear links between excellent attendance, emotional wellbeing, secure friendships and academic attainment.

We have supported many children and families this year, thank you to Mrs Carvalho and Ms Ward for their exceptional pastoral support for our school community.

More children than ever are having a school dinner and we hope that parents will continue to take advantage of the free school meal entitlement for our EYFS and KS1 pupils from September. Our new catering company have been very responsive to any feedback so please do contact us if you have any further suggestions.

We are also very pleased that we have been able to improve things around school this year. Some examples are: new playground markings, new wall displays, a trampoline which is accessed through the bungalow garden. We are looking forward to more improvements over the summer holidays including: table tennis tables, a lighting and sound system in the hall and refurbished year 4 toilets.

Thinking ahead, we will be focusing on oracy and vocabulary when we return after the summer holidays so look out for information on future newsletters how you can support your children at home.

Don't forget that we will still be in school next week on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, with an earlier finish at 1:30pm on the final day (except for Nursery).

Wishing you all a very safe summer holiday. We will be looking forward to seeing you on the 4th September.

Mrs Jackson

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

22nd July: Y6 Leavers Disco 3.30pm to 5pm 22nd July: School finishes for Nursery 23rd July: Y6 Leavers Assembly for parents at 9am Wednesday 23rd July: End of term - school finishes at 1.30pm

3rd September: INSET Day - school closed 4th September: All students return to school

MEET THE TEACHER September 2025: Year 1 Thursday 4th September 3:10pm Year 2 Friday 5th September 3:10pm Reception Monday 8th September 3:10pm Year 3 Tuesday 9th September 3:10pm Year 4 Wednesday 10th September 3:10pm Year 5 Thursday 11th September 3:10pm Year 6 Friday 12th September 3:10pm

Full term dates for 2025-26 can be found on the school website. https://www.beechfield.herts.sch.uk/termdates



MEETING THE KING!

We would like to the celebrate the fantastic achievement of one our parents. Mr Rae was awarded an MBE at Windsor Castle on Wednesday for his services to new parents and mental health. Congratulations





Y1 VISIT LONDON ZOO

Lime Class had an exciting time learning about these majestic big cats—what a roar-some experience!





SATS RESULTS

We are thrilled to share the Y6 children's efforts in the recent SATS tests:

Reading, writing, maths combined 69.4% (national 62%)

Reading EXS 79% (national 75%)

Maths EXS 87.1 (national 74%)

Writing EXS 74.2% (national 72%)

Science EXS 83.9% (national 82%)

GPS 77.4% (national 73%)

(EXS = achieved age related expectations)

Y6 FIVER CHALLENGE

Today, Year 6 had fun running their stalls for the fiver challenge. Overall, a profit of £430.59 was made!















ATTENDANCE

School lessons will be beginning on Day 1 - Thursday 4th September. We will be starting the Maths and English curriculum straight away so please ensure you return from your summer holidays so your children are in school on these days. It is very important that they do not miss this initial learning.

While we understand that your children may be ill at some points we are aiming for at least 97% attendance next year.

For your information:

Under 90% attendance is persistently absent Under 50% attendance is severely absent.

We monitor attendance daily and formally fortnightly. if you need support you are welcome to contact Mrs Carvalho our Pastoral Lead.

ONLINE SAFETY

Please continue to monitor the content that your children are looking at online and talk to them about it. With the rise of AI content it is very important we are teaching the children to think critically and question whether what they are seeing online is real or accurate.

Please also continue to monitor any messaging they are doing to protect them from others but also to ensure they are behaving appropriately.

UNIFORM, BAGS AND BOTTLES

To avoid losing items, be sure to label new uniforms, bottles, and lunch bags before returning in September. Thank you.

NEXT YEAR

We will be sending out a letter in the last 3 days with information about the new year and uniform etc. Please keep a look out for that.

PUPPET DESIGNERS!

Lime Class has been busy designing and making their own hand puppets! They explored different joining techniques like glueing, stapling, and using safety pins to bring their creations to life. Excellent work, future designers!





SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Hertfordshire Libraries have launched their popular Summer Reading Challenge. This year's themed challenge is 'Story Garden'.

For more information, please click here: <u>Summer Reading Challenge</u>

ROCKSTEADY CONCERT

Our talented pupils are rocked the stage at the Rocksteady concert on Tuesday! Singing, drumming, strumming — they're giving it their all and sounding amazing!





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