

# NEWSLETTER

# WELCOME

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have had our Reception Nativity in school. It was lovely to welcome our parents in to see the children perform. KS1 parents, please ensure you have read my email regarding Covid safety procedures for next week's KS1 performances.

Well done to one of our fabulous Year 6 children for winning the Mayor's Christmas card competition. He will now have his design printed on all 800 of the Mayor's Christmas cards! We are very proud of you.

Our school is feeling very festive this week as the teachers, children, admin and support staff have decorated their classroom and office doors. Please have a look on Twitter to see all of the creative designs!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Jackson



# **NEW STAFF**

We would like to welcome Mrs Barry who has joined our team of Teaching Assistants.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 13th December: Flu vaccinations mop up session
- 14th & 15th December: KS1 performances (see Mrs Jackson's email for timings)
- 17th December: Christmas Dinner and Christmas
  Jumper Day
- 17th December: End of term: school finishes at the following times:
  - 1.15pm Y1
  - 1.20pm Y2
  - 1.25pm Y3 and Y4
  - 1.30pm Reception, Y5 and Y6
- 5th January 2022: everyone returns to school (there is no Inset day)

#### 10th December 2021

# FAREWELL

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs Compton who is retiring next week. Mrs Compton has been at Beechfield since 2005 and has made an extraordinary contribution to the learning of children over the last 16 years. We thank her for her dedication to the school and wish her all the best for a happy and relaxing retirement.

We would also like to extend our thanks to SEN 1-1 TAs, Mrs Soper and Mrs Gami for their valuable work at Beechfield this year and wish them well for the future.

# **CAR PARK SAFETY**

Please be reminded that the car park is for school staff only. Parents must not enter the car park to drop off their children in the morning. Children and parents must use the walk in entrance and one way system, exiting via the woodland path.

We have had a parent blocking the entrance to drop their children off and the children then walking back across the car park entrance (without looking) as a member of staff was turning into the entrance, causing them to brake sharply and block the road. Thank you for your co-operation.

# **UNIFORM SHOUT-OUT!**

If you have good quality school uniform you no longer need, we would appreciate donations to be left outside the bungalow. Also if you have any outgrown winter coats/scarfs and gloves we would also really appreciate them. Thank you. Alison Hayward, Pastoral Team Leader

# FACE MASKS

Please be reminded that if you need to visit the school office, a mask must be worn. We also request only one visitor at a time please. If you see someone is already inside, please wait outside until they come out. We appreciate your co-operation to keep our school community safe.



**BE KIND** 

We have been super busy in the bungalow! With the help of Y6 children, volunteer staff and parents, we have packed 30 Christmas Good Grub Club recipe boxes and 30 bags of treats donated by our wonderful Beechfield staff. A huge thank you to everyone involved. Alison Hayward, Pastoral Team Leader





# WORK HARD

Congratulations to all the students who took part in the Times Table Rock Stars Competition for schools in Watford - Beechfield came 4th overall! Willow class came 2nd in the whole of Watford and Omar in Willow came 9th out of all the children in Watford!

Amazing Work Beechfield! Ms Essex, Maths Leader

#### LOVE LEARNING

Lots of great learning today in Olive class we learnt about Hanukkah in RE.



# **RARING2GO THIS CHRISTMAS!**

Please click on the link below for Raring2Go's Winter edition. It is full of festive things to do in Hertfordshire and at home to help parents and families keep their children occupied throughout the Christmas season! https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/watford/winter/

#### NURSERY AND RECEPTION ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

Reception Admissions for September 2022 are now open. Please apply on the Herts County Council website:

https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-andeducation/school-admissions/primary-junior-andmiddle-schools/primary-junior-and-middle-schoolplaces.aspx

Deadline for applications is 15th January 2022.

Nursery Admissions for September 2022 - please make an application via our website link <u>Nursery</u> <u>Application Form 2022/23</u>

The deadline for Nursery applications is 25th February 2022.

# LITTLE VILLAGE - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are a baby bank that provides clothes, toys and equipment for babies and children under 5. We have recently opened a new warehouse locally, on Cherry Tree Road (former Mothercare HQ office) and would love the opportunity to communicate volunteering opportunities at your school. Would you like to make a real difference in the lives of families going through tough times this Christmas? Little Village's new warehouse in Watford needs volunteers! There are all sorts of different ways you could play a crucial part in helping young families, from creating gift bundles to driving stock, everyone can get involved. This is also an amazing opportunity to get out of the house, develop new skills and meet new people. Please contact Tomi Adagunodo if you are interested on: T: +44 (0)20 3116 0800, M: +44 (0)79 3563 7967 tomi.adagunodo@arkonline.org



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