



# NEWSLETTER

## WELCOME

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, it has been wonderful to see everyone at school after the six week break.

As always, we haven't wasted any time and have got straight back into learning and embedding our school routines. We have also had an assembly this week reminding the children about our rules: Be safe, be kind, work hard and love learning and discussed what these mean in practice.

The children have been focused and engaged in their learning which has been super to see when I have been walking around school and in the classrooms. We have talked about the importance of reading regularly at home and practising their spellings and times tables.

Thank you for attending our 'Meet the Teacher meetings' we know that parents, children and school working together secures better outcomes.

Next week on Wednesday 18th September there will be a meeting in the school hall for Year 4 and 5 parents about secondary transfer. If you are unable to attend at 845 we will send home the information via email for you to see. If you have any questions about the secondary transfer process I am always very happy to answer them for you. Later on in the morning Lisa Stilltoe our DSPL 9 transition worker is able to meet Year 6 parents who have made an appointment with her. A flyer went out about this last week.

Wishing you all a restful weekend

Mrs Jackson

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We would like to let you know that as from the afternoon of 10th September 2024 your School Crossing Patrol will be wearing a body camera.

The use of body worn cameras by School Crossing Patrols is in operation at various locations across Hertfordshire to ensure drivers comply with stop requests as well as reducing any possible intimidation.  
School Crossing Patrol Team, HCC

13 September 2024

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 18th September: Y4 and Y5 secondary transition meeting. 9am in the hall

Friday 20th September: Y4 trip to St Albans Cathedral

Friday 27th September: Non School Uniform Day

Friday 11th October: Hello Yellow Day

Friday 18th October: Harvest Festival

Friday 24th October: 15.05: Parents to see children's books.

28th Oct -1st Nov: Half Term

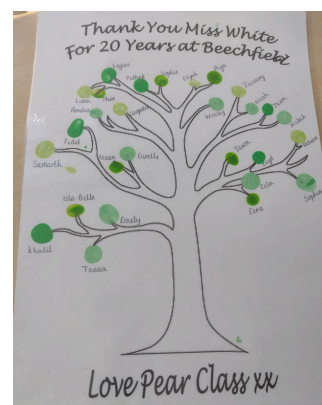
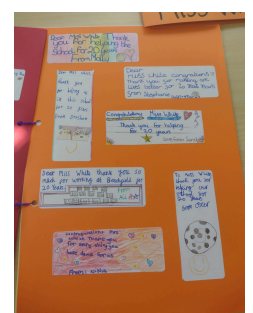
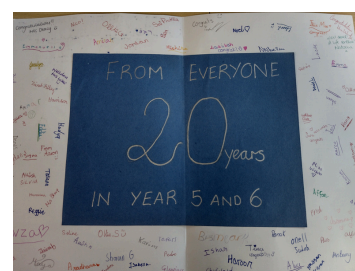
Tuesday 5th November: School Photos (individual)

Full term dates for 2024/2025 can be found on the school website.

<https://www.beechfield.herts.sch.uk/termdates>

## TWENTY YEARS AT BEECHFIELD!

We would like to say a big THANK YOU to Miss White, our School Business Manager for the huge contribution she has made to Beechfield for 20 years! The children made some very lovely cards for Miss White.





## ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

The government have made some changes to attendance over the summer and Miss Mortlock will be sending out some more information about this. The government are advising that after only 10 unauthorised absences (5 days) schools should consider fining families. Poor punctuality can also lead to unauthorised absences being recorded, so please send your children to school regularly and on time. If you need any support with this then please contact Mrs Carvalho our Pastoral Lead or Miss Mortlock our Assistant Head and Attendance Lead.

## TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Important information and dates regarding transfer to secondary school next September is attached to this newsletter for parents of Y6 pupils. It can also be found on the Y6 page of the school website.

## MEET THE TEACHER MEETINGS

We hope that you have found these useful; thank you for attending.

## NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please be reminded that we have children in school with nut allergies and that nuts, or any nut-containing products e.g. peanut butter, snickers etc are not allowed in packed lunches. Thank you for your co-operation.

## COMMUNITY

We are really hoping to encourage parents to come into school over this academic year and talk with our children about their jobs, their hobbies, their careers, their culture and religion. If this is something you would be willing to do then please could you let the office know and we will be in touch with you about this.

## DSPL 9

We have attached a parent newsletter with lots of events and information for you. Please take a look.

## A FANTASTIC START FOR Y2!

A very positive start to my time at Beechfield and Year 2 Damson! This week in Science we looked and had a really good discussion about things that were alive, have never been alive or used to be alive! Mr Alexander



## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

We are thrilled to celebrate one of our young reading champions who completed an impressive reading challenge over the summer holidays! This determined reader spent his summer diving into a variety of books, expanding his imagination, and developing his love for reading. Well done on this fantastic achievement—keep up the great work and continue to let your love for reading grow!



## ONLINE SAFETY AND DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Our pupil survey from July showed that some children are worried about keeping themselves safe online. Please can you talk to your children about keeping safe when using their phones, tablets, laptops and computers. We will continue to talk in school about this as well. We will give you some regular tips in our newsletters about this. Every time you go online you leave a digital 'footprint' which shows others where you are and what you have been doing. While posting pictures and videos is great for sharing with friends and being creative, always remember that once an image or file is online it's likely to stay there forever. Don't post anything you wouldn't want your grandma to see.



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