Dear Parents/Carers,
What a lovely week we have had! Y6 were very lucky to have Roger Yapp (a WW1 Historian) who came to talk to them about the events of WW1 and how it affected Watford. Each class will be thinking about their new topic after half term - WW1 and Respect. If you have any ideas or links, let your child’s class teacher know!

Please ensure your child brings a healthy break time snack (fruit or cheese) and also no chocolate bars or sweets in lunchboxes please. The Harvest Celebration is nearly upon us; we have lots of food contributions for the Watford Food Bank already - any more would be greatly appreciated - thank you.

Have a lovely weekend. Miss Mortlock, Assistant Headteacher

Beechfield Weekly Winners are:
Attendance: Pine and Maple - 99.6%
Punctuality: no winners this week
House Point Winners: Halliwell

Secondary School Applications : Y6
Reminder that the application deadline is 31st October 2018. Applications can be made online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions.

Parents Evenings
We are looking forward to seeing you at the parent meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. These will be held in the main hall. Children’s books can be viewed in the dining hall prior and after your appointment time. Please be advised there will be NO after school clubs on Tuesday and Wednesday. If your child normally attends these, please ensure they are collected at the end of school at 3.20pm

Apex will refund parents for the Wednesday club. The football match that has been arranged at Cherry Tree will go ahead as planned.

Tweet of the Week !
Extra! Extra! Read all about it! Stop and take notice of Y4 Palm’s exciting digestion reports.

Colder Weather
Please can you ensure children bring in their coat every day as they will play outside whatever the weather.

PE kits need to be kept in school Monday to Friday. Thank you.

Dates for Your Diary
23rd October: Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm
24th October: Parents Evening 4.30pm to 7pm
26th October: Harvest Festival
26th October: parents invited into classrooms at 3pm
29th Oct to 2nd Nov: Half Term
6th November: individual pupil photos
8th November: Y6 NCMP
23rd November: Prospective Reception Parents Tour 9.30am

FYI: Homework is also posted on the school’s website under Pupils/Year Group/Year/Homework tab.
PARENT GOVERNORS

Your school needs...YOU!!

The Governors of Beechfield would like to invite parents to join us on the Governing Board.

Governors play a very important role in
- supporting the school in a variety of ways and in
- monitoring the implementation of the School Development Plan

If you become a Governor, you will

- Have a better understanding of the strengths and challenges of the school
- Feel that you are actively contributing to the successful outcomes for the children of Beechfield
- Be offered training courses to develop your Governor role
- Need to be able to attend 5 meetings per year - from 7-9pm, having read all the relevant documentation prior to meetings.
- Need to be able to visit the school during the day for an hour or two once per term.
- Need to attend a one day compulsory training course (usually on a Saturday) plus two ‘in house’ training courses 7-9pm, on mutually agreed dates
- Need DBS clearance (the school will process this with you)

We are very proud of the work we are doing and the success we are having. We would very much like to promote our school within the local community, so if you have any ideas how we can achieve this we would especially like to hear from you.

If any of this appeals to you and you would like to simply find out more as a first step then please contact Mrs Jackson, the Headteacher or myself Lesly Adams, Chair of Governors (you will often see me at the front gate on Thursday mornings) - or indeed any of the school’s Governors whom you might know.

We look forward to hearing from you!