



Beechfield News

Together Everyone Achieves More

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HEADLINES

Be Kind, Work Hard, Love Learning

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have been working very hard this week. Please have a look on Twitter to see some of the work they have done. I have had many children visit me to get a Headteacher's Award for great work or effort.

We have introduced a Children's Parliament instead of having a School Council. The idea behind this is that all children get a chance to share their ideas and opinions about things in school. KS2 work in mixed age groups to discuss different issues. Next week, we will be looking at the Behaviour Policy. KS1 also get a chance to give their opinions in their KS1 assembly.

Please have a look at the key dates below, or on the calendar on the school website, as lots of exciting things are coming up over the next few weeks.

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye at the end of term to Mrs Roychoudhury, who is leaving to spend more time with her family and Miss Hardwick, who will be working at a special needs school. We wish them well for the future and thank them for all their hard work at Beechfield. I hope you all have a good weekend. Mrs Jackson



IMPORTANT NOTICE:

All before and after school activity clubs (Apex paid clubs, battlezone, multi-sports, football and ball skills etc) will finish for

the term on **Friday 14th December**. **ONLY paid provision Breakfast Club and After School Club will run in the last week of term.**

Apex Activity clubs will restart in the new year, week commencing 14/01/2019.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

REMINDER: If your child is having Christmas lunch on 14th December, meal choices need to be made via the school gateway by **MONDAY 3RD DECEMBER**.

Please ensure there is credit on your child's Caterlink account before **Tuesday 11th December** to cover the cost of the meal.



Meals will not be served with accounts in debt or not ordered by **3rd December**. A home packed lunch will need to be provided.

Beechfield's Weekly Winners are:

Attendance: Maple 98.7%

Punctuality (no lates): Lime

Well done to Maple and Lime class this week.

School Christmas Discos:

Wednesday 12th December

Reception to Y2:

3:30pm to 4:30pm

Years 3-6: 5.00pm-6.00pm

Tickets: £2 each which includes drink and a snack.

Please read the letters sent home this week, which contain further details.

Letters can also be found on the school website in Parents/Letters home.

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We are hoping that our elf, Elf-is will be arriving at the school office soon. Please keep a look out on our Twitter @BFS_Watford for all Elf news! Children from Reception visited today to look for the Elf door, ready for his arrival!

Dates for Your Diary

5th & 6th December:

Reception Nativity at 9.30am in the hall

12th December: School discos

13th December: Nursery Christmas Concert 11am in Nursery

14th December: Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

19th December: Y1 and Y2 Nativity 9.30am and 3.30pm

19th December: Reception parents to view learning journeys 8.50am- 9.20am

20th December: Nursery Parents to view learning journeys 8.50am-9.20am

KS2 Carol Concert 9.30am at Christchurch.

21st December: end of term 2pm

Monday 7th January 2019:

INSET day: school closed

Tuesday 8th January 2019: Spring Term starts



Lunch Boxes

We'd like to kindly remind parents to avoid putting chocolate bars in lunch boxes and to encourage children to bring in a healthy packed lunch to school. Thank you.



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School Closure Notification System: Everbridge

At Beechfield School we will always endeavour to keep the school open, however on occasion, severe weather may mean that it is unsafe for children and staff to get in to school. In order to ensure you are informed as quickly as possible of anything that may have an impact on a normal school day, we will be using a system called Everbridge.

Please take five minutes to register your details so that you can receive immediate information and updates. To sign up, please visit member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489 and click on the “sign up” button located at the top right hand side of the page on the grey strip, and from there follow the instructions. It should take no more than five minutes to register and you can edit your information at any time should you change your mobile number or email address.

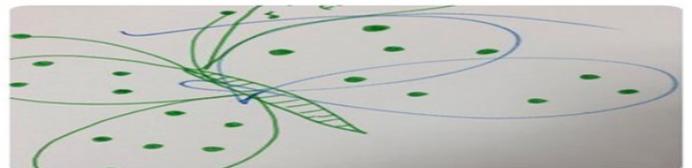
You can have two devices added for each communication type if you wish to – this means that in addition to adding your own mobile number and email address, you can include the mobile number and email address of a partner or a grandparent in your registration process. They too would then receive any messages in relation to the school’s closure. Alternatively, interested parties could register themselves separately.

If you have children at more than one school you can register for those schools too in a single registration by selecting all schools your children attend.

With this in mind, if you think the school may be closed due to severe weather conditions, please follow the guidance below:

- Check the link on Hertfordshire County Council’s website: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk or the school’s website: www.beechfield.herts.sch.uk
- Check your emails as a message may also be sent via the School Gateway. Please ensure you have downloaded the School Gateway App.
- Listen to local radio BOB FM 106.7 & 106.9
- Check the Head’s Twitter feed @HeadBeechfield
- Please do not call the school as it will be unlikely anyone will be there.

Tweet of the Week: We used our take notice key in Calm Start this morning! There is always more to a scribble when you look closely! #takenotice @HeadBeechfield



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