Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to say a big thank you to all the parents who came to the PTA meeting yesterday. They have already started to think about planning events for the school so please keep an eye out for information in the Newsletter and on Twitter! The parents below were nominated and seconded for the following positions: Chairperson: Miss Vikki Pell, Secretary: Mrs Nikki Summers and Treasurer: Miss Tiffanne Williams. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Jackson

Great News! Our new School Crossing Patrol has begun this week, helping the parents and children safely across the road. It has made a great difference. Please see further information from the Schools Road Safety Team on the last page. #RoadSafety.

Please can all parents sign up to the Everbridge system via the following link: member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489 You can then be notified of school closure in the event of severe weather. Further information can be found in the Parents’ section of the school website under Snow Day Information.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2019. World Book Day will be taking place on Thursday 7th March. We will be celebrating this event and inviting children to dress up as their favourite book character on that day. Further details to follow.


Caterlink
The new Spring Term menu can be found on the school website in the Parents/School Meals section. Please ensure your child’s online Caterlink account is in credit of £2.15 or more BEFORE they have a meal. You can top up their account at any time. Meals cost £2.15 per day/£10.75 per week. Thank you. If you have any queries, please contact the office.

Y6 Isle of Wight and Y5 Phasels Wood Trips
Please ensure you have paid the most recent instalment via the School Gateway for the above trips. IOW was due 31/12/18 and Phasels Wood 31/1/10. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

PARENT READERS NEEDED!
KS1 children would really benefit from some parent readers coming in at either the start or the end of the school day for 20 minutes to help listen to children read. Please contact the school office if you are able to help. Thank you. Miss Carman - KS1 Leader.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:
5th February: Y3 Trip to Kew Gardens
6th February: Y2 Trip to Sea Life Aquarium
13th February: Prospective Nursery Parent Tour 9.30am

SIMS PARENT APP
Please download the App and register if you have not already done so. Thank you.
Nursery Admissions are managed by Beechfield School.
- The application process for Nursery admissions for September 2019 is now live.
- Applications for 15 hours and 30 hours provision for eligible families are welcome.
- Parents who would like to apply for a Nursery place for September 2019 may call the office to book to view the school.
- All the information is on our website under Admissions.
- The remaining tour date is:
  Wednesday 13th February 2019 – 9.30am

Nursery Admissions Arrangements for Beechfield School 2019-2020

Nursery 2019-2020 Application Form
The deadline for Nursery applications is Friday 1st March 2019
The Road Safety Schools Team are pleased to welcome **Sophie Warwick** as your School Crossing Patrol.

For your safety could you please ensure that you cross with Sophie who will be operating from 8.30 – 9.05 and 3.00 – 3.35

Hertfordshire County Council, Transport, Access and Road Safety, County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford, SG13 8DN.

Tel: 01992 556815 January 2019

Can we please remind you that it is parental responsibility to get your child to and from school safely.

**HOW TO USE YOUR SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL**

The role of your School Crossing Patrol is:

To stop traffic so children and adults can cross the road safely.

**Children and adults can help the patrol if they:**

Always use the crossing point as it is a safe place to cross.

Walk their bikes and scooters across the road so they do not fall or slide into the road.

Stay close to their adult who will keep them safe.

Stand back from the kerb **and wait** until the patrol tells them it is safe to cross.

Always walk, not run, across the road.

Cross in front of the patrol, not behind, as it is safer.

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK CLOSE TO THE CROSSING OR STOP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD TO LET CHILDREN OUT. THIS IS NOT SAFE**