

Beeches Green Pages



TERM DATES

For your information, this year's term dates are as follows:

Autumn Term

Term Starts: Wednesday 2 September 2020
Half Term: Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October 2020
Term Ends: Friday 18 December 2020

Spring Term

Term Starts: Tuesday 5 January 2021
Half Term: Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February 2021
Term Ends: Thursday 1 April 2021

Summer Term

Term Starts: Monday 19 April 2021
Half Term: Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June 2021
Term Ends: Wednesday 21 July 2021

We had a Teacher Day on Tuesday 1st September and will have another one on Monday 4th January 2021. Three further Teacher Days are yet to be scheduled; we will let you know when those are planned in.

COVID TESTING

We are very grateful to those parents we have had to contact when their children have been unwell. Parents have got here quickly and taken their children for a Covid test. So far, all tests have been negative, and we haven't had any confirmed cases in the school. However, we must continue to take a very cautious approach, and if your child displays any of the main Covid symptoms, we will ask you to come and get them and take them for a test. We understand that it can be difficult to get a test, but so far, everyone has found that if you are persistent, you can get one within a day or two, so please keep trying! There have been occasions when a GP has said that children don't need a test, and there are reports of conflicting advice being given. We can only go by the guidance we are given by the DfE and Birmingham City Council, and if your child or a member of the household has symptoms, your child must stay at home. A reminder that the symptoms we are looking for are:

- A new, persistent cough
- A high temperature (37.8° or higher)
- A loss of taste and/or smell

COLLECTING CHILDREN

It is vital that you have arrangements in place so that someone can collect your child quickly if you are called. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused, and we will only ask you to come if it is necessary. Please make sure that, every day, there is someone who can come for your child at short notice if you are called. Thank you.

BEECHES BRILLIANT READERS

We are excited and thrilled to announce the re-launch of Beeches' Brilliant Reader! You can win yourself a brand-new book from our amazing, recently purchased collection. We have the latest titles and a wide range of genres for you to choose from if you win. What do you have to do to win? Read of course! All we expect is for you to read 5-10 pages (you can read more if you want) at home and write a comment in your comment card each day for any five days out of the seven from Friday to Thursday. Do this and you will be given a raffle ticket by your teacher and if your name is picked during Friday's assembly, you're the winner. Comments can be written by yourself or by your parent/carer. Comments written by yourself must be related to the pages you have read that night. This year, there will be a prize for each year group, so you have an even better chance of winning!

MR. ALI'S QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body." - Richard Steele.

HOME LEARNING

If your child has to self-isolate for Covid-related reasons, we will provide work for them to do at home. In the coming week, we will be gathering information about your IT capability at home so that we can ensure everyone is catered for. Rest assured that children who are feeling ill are not expected to complete the work; it is for those children who are feeling well, but are having to stay off for Covid-related reasons, such as waiting for test results, or having someone in the household who has tested positive.

TOILETS

We regret that, as per our reopening guidance, we are unable to allow parents, carers and siblings in to use the toilet.

TEAM POINTS - LAST TWO WEEKS

Blue Dragons	412 (4th) &	686 (1st)
Green Griffins	448 (3rd) &	493 (4th)
Red Phoenix	522 (1st) &	665 (2nd)
Yellow Unicorns	488 (2nd) &	575 (3rd)

PEN LICENCE THIS WEEK

Tahseenah (5S)

BEECHES BRILLIANT WRITERS

Last week's winner: Leisha (4KP)

This week's title:

ATTENDANCE

Whole School This Week: 91.4%

This Year So Far: 92.8%

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

3L: Cian	5L: Lexie
3P: Neveah	5M: Kacper
3W: Kyan	5S: Finley
4AP: Krishna	6IS: Dyantae 6LA: Vinnie
4CP: Elena	6KA: Tanish 6SA: Amrit
4KP: Aaban	

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