



Beeches Green Pages

END OF TERM

Today (Thursday) is the last day of term because tomorrow is a Teacher Day. We would like to thank our children for their remarkable resilience and adaptability over the last few months. Aside from the times when people have quite rightly kept children at home for Covid-related reasons, attendance has been excellent and our recent assessments show that children are making very good progress in their learning. Thanks also to you, the parents and carers. Thank you for being so loving and caring of your children and so supportive of the school in our efforts to keep everyone safe and to keep children learning. We set different start and finish times, you adapted your routines accordingly. We gave you different entrances and exits, you changed your journeys to school. We put a one-way system in place, you accepted it and went the right way. We asked you to wear masks on site, you did so in very large numbers. Along the way, we have received many kind comments from you, along with constructive suggestions where appropriate, and we are very grateful. We wish you all a restful and happy two weeks. Please keep yourselves safe, and we look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 5th January 2021. A very merry Christmas to all who are celebrating, and a happy and healthy new year!

END OF TERM AWARDS

Congratulations to all of our end-of-term award winners! If you weren't able to join us live on Zoom for the awards assemblies, you can find them here:

<https://www.beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk/awards-assembly>

Our winners are:

Reading: Mohammed (3L), Georgia (3P), Lena (3W), Mason (4AP), Lottie (4CP), Jesse (4KP), Alyssa (5L), Kieran (5M), Quaivion (5S), Aleks (6IS), Amy (6KA), Erin (6LA), Ayaan (6SA)

Writing: Lilly-Ann (3L), Cameron (3P), Ajit (3W), Jehan (4AP), Abdul-Ahad (4CP), Sonia (4KP), Je'Nae (5L), Milli (5M), Tehzeeb (5S), Somaiya (6IS), Olli (6KA), Vinnie (6LA), Maymunah (6SA)

Maths: Ayana (3L), Shiv (3P), Nasrin (3W), Adam (4AP), Jesuferanmi (4CP), Sophia (4KP), Bahram (5L), Aqib (5M), Tahseenah (5S), Harmeet (6IS), Ryan (6KA), Esmie (6LA), Alya (6SA)

Science: Richmond (3L), Zakariyah (3P), Rahul (3W), Max (4AP), Iona-Mae (4CP), Sahej (4KP), Alieu (5L), Aurora (5M), Fletcher (5S), Aimee (6IS), Asaiah (6KA), Kayden (6LA), Ellie-Mae (6SA)

Role Model: Freya (3L), Amira (3P), Max (3W), Sana (4AP), Max (4CP), George (4KP), Xiyan (5L), Krishna (5M), Lilly (5S), Poppy (6IS), Blake (6KA), Amelie (6LA), Riley (6SA)

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets for our Christmas raffle - we raised approximately £500 for School Fund. In the new year, we will be talking to the children about projects they could spend School Fund money on. Congratulations to all our winners, including Georgia (5L) who won a lovely brand new bike.

SPECIAL VISITOR!

On Thursday, we were treated to a visit from Santa Claus! We are very grateful that he managed to fit us in at his busiest time of year. Obviously, social distancing rules apply to Santa as much as they do to everyone else, so he wasn't able to talk to children individually, but he left a present for every child, and we hope they enjoy their presents!

COVID-19 NOTIFICATION

If your child develops Covid-19 symptoms within 48 hours of being in school and then tests positive for Covid-19 during the Christmas holiday, please notify us up to and including Wednesday 23rd December. If the test results come after 23rd December, you do not need to notify us. To notify us by email, please use:

m.smart@beechesjnr.bham.sch.uk

We will notify you by text message if your child has been a close contact of a positive case.

YEAR 4

Apologies again for the short notice Year 4 parents had regarding their children's return to school. When the news came on Friday that the isolation period for close contacts was changing to 10 days, the DfE were contacted to ask if that should be applied to bubbles who were already in self-isolation; they were unable to answer at that time. The answer did eventually come at 10.15pm on Sunday, so we weren't able to let you know until the Monday. We are delighted that Year 4 have been back with us this week and able to take part in our Christmas events, and we are very impressed by the hard work that they did while in self-isolation. Thank you for supporting them to ensure that the effect on their learning was minimal.

SCHOOL UNIFORM - FOOTWEAR

A reminder that, under our School Uniform Policy (available on our website), boots are not permitted. If your child has been wearing boots, please get them some school shoes as soon as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

NEWSLETTERS BY EMAIL

If you would like to receive the newsletter by email each week, please send a request to:

m.smart@beechesjnr@bham.sch.uk

DIARY DATES

Fri 18 Dec	<i>Teacher Day - school closed</i>
Mon 4 Jan 2021	<i>Teacher Day - school closed</i>
Tue 5 Jan	<i>School reopens</i>

ATTENDANCE

Whole School This Week: 76%
This Year So Far: 87%