



# Beeches Green Pages

## FRIDAYS AT BEECHES

Last week we noticed a slight dip in attendance on Friday, and have heard some comments that it isn't worth bringing children in for the morning. **The opposite is true:** the fact that we are losing time in the afternoon means it is all the more important that we are here for every session. Attendance is compulsory and everyone is expected to attend unless they are unwell or self-isolating.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOONS

Please remember, unless your child is booked into our childcare provision, school finishes at lunchtime on Fridays. Years 3 and 5 finish at 12.15pm, Year 6 at 12.25pm and Year 4 at 12.30pm. This will be reviewed at May half term, and we will let you know if it changes. We are sorry we've had to change the arrangements for collection on Fridays; this is unavoidable as Priestley Smith School children are using their playground during lunchtime. Thank you for your support with this, and we're sorry to have to make things even more complicated!

## BRINGING ITEMS TO SCHOOL

We are seeing lots of items being brought in for children after the start of the school day. Not only does this keep our office staff from their vital work, it also increases the Covid-19 risk to them. Therefore, please make sure your child has everything they need when you bring them to school. Thank you for your co-operation.

## WATER BOTTLES

One of the items children should have with them is a water bottle. We are having a lot of children asking for plastic cups for water. Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day.

## RSE CONSULTATION

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who have taken the time to look through our RSE policy and curriculum and provide us with their feedback. The survey will close this afternoon. All stages of this process have provided excellent opportunities for discussion and we welcome all comments on this crucial issue. We will take all of the responses into consideration before making any alterations we deem necessary. This is an incredibly important process that will help shape our curriculum and, more importantly, impact our children in the near future. The final policy will be published on the website after Easter.

## RED NOSE DAY

Thank you for your support for Red Nose Day. It's great to see so many children in red or in superhero costumes, showing support for the cause. Thank you for your donations - we will let you know next week how much we have raised.

## READING - THE ANCHOR TO LEARNING

Here at Beeches Junior School, we always stress the importance of reading. Studies have shown again and again that children who read regularly progress and achieve better academically throughout their time in education. Please can we urge you to read with your children or remind them to read and write a comment in their comment cards for five out of seven evenings in the week. Children who do this will have their names entered into a raffle and be in with a chance to win a brand-new book to keep in our Beeches Brilliant Reader competition.

## LATERAL FLOW TESTS

Please note that if your child is asked to self-isolate and get a Covid-19 test, this must be a PCR test (usually carried out at a test centre). A lateral flow test does not have the same level of accuracy as a PCR test, so your child will not be allowed to return on the basis of a lateral flow test. Thank you for your co-operation.

## FACE MASKS

Thank you for the overwhelming support we have had from you in wearing face masks on site. We have been taking spare masks out for those that need them, but after next week, we will stop doing this. Please bring your own - if you don't have one, unless you have let us know you are exempt, you will have to wait until everyone else has gone before you can collect your child. Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe.

## DIARY DATES

Thu 1 Apr	<i>Break up for Easter</i>
Mon 19 Apr	<i>School reopens</i>
Mon 26 Apr	<i>Y5 Living Eggs arrive</i>

## THIS WEEK'S TEAM POINTS

1	Team Malala (Yellow)	565
2	Team Zephaniah (Green)	552
3	Team Cadbury (Red)	513
4	Team Lewis (Blue)	440

## GENRE AWARDS THIS WEEK

Bronze: Millie (5M), Jaspreet and Miah-Lee (5S)

## PEN LICENCES THIS WEEK

Delaini and Logan (6LA)

## BEECHES BRILLIANT READERS

Year 3: Kyra (3P)      Year 4: Jesuferanmi (4CP)  
Year 5: Quaivion (5S)      Year 6: Maymunah (6SA)

## BEECHES BRILLIANT WRITERS

Last week's winners: Mahirah (5M) and Jakub (6KA)  
This week's title: My Ideal Job

## ATTENDANCE

Whole School This Week: 96.1%

## PUPIL OF THE WEEK

3L: Kai	4CP: Sahibjot	5S: Dylan B	
3P: Nihal	4KP: Annias	6IS: Haris	
3W: Solange	5L: Caiden	6KA: Khadija	
4AP: Lilly-May	5M: Daisy	6LA: Uzair	6SA: Aum

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