



*"Making learning an adventure"*  
Newsletter 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018

*Our value for this half term is Self-belief*

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **High Beeches News**

Another enjoyable and very busy week at High Beeches! It was good to hear that the May Ball went very well and all seemed to have a good time. Thank you FoHBs yet again for all your hard work.

Year 2 and Year 6 children have participated in their SATs tests this week. Very well done to all of them, they approached their tests showing lots of High Beeches values such as positivity, self-belief, confidence and resilience. Year 3 have had a wonderful day today being Egyptians as part of their topic work. Thank you to those parents who gave up their time to help. Year 6 have shared some of their end of SATs celebrations with a picnic tea this afternoon with their partners in Reception.

The children in Elm class are missing Mrs de Kort, who is recovering from an operation. Get well soon Mrs de Kort, we look forward to your return after the half term break.

We are looking forward to a sunny day on Monday for our Sports Day. Infants start at 9.15am finishing in time for lunch and Juniors start at 1.20pm finishing in time for normal school pick up. FoHBS will be selling coffee and croissants and Year 6 children will be selling programmes so please remember your pennies. When getting your child ready for school on Tuesday please remember the school photographer will be in school to take the class photos.

### **GDPR**

On the 25th May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) come into force in the UK. These are new data protection regulations built upon the Data Protection Act of 1998.

The GDPR require public authorities and businesses to identify the lawful basis for storing personal data, audit information we already hold and take a 'data protection by design and default' approach to personal data. We take data protection very seriously at High Beeches. In line with GDPR requirements, we have already appointed a Data Protection Officer, Anita White, to oversee our approach to data management and protection.

In order to ensure that we comply with the new regulations, we are reviewing our current policies and practices. We are currently updating our privacy notices in line with the new requirements and will email to you in due course.

As part of this compliance process, we are also seeking to update the consent forms/home school agreements we have received from parents and pupils. The new regulations are clear that consent must be up-to-date and clearly recorded. From now on, lack of response cannot be interpreted as implied consent. We therefore ask that you return these to us promptly in any situation where consent is needed.

To learn more about the General Data Protection Regulation, please visit the Information Commissioner's Office website on <http://ico.org.uk>

### **Walk to School Week**

Next week is walk to school week, if you are able to, please support, and walk with your children. For those who need to bring vehicles perhaps park further away to at least walk a short way.

### **FoHBS News**

A huge thank you to Diane Birch and Rachael Gavan for organising a fantastic sell out May Ball which has raised a considerable amount for the library building fund. Also to Carolyn Berg for organising the raffle prizes, Rebecca Grant for the table decorations, Suzi Walton and the sax quartet, Ian and Emma from Ian Scott photography for doing professional photos throughout the night, Jaks Whalen for the graphic designs and also everyone who helped set up on Saturday! A big thank you also to the Carnegies for their amazing set that kept us dancing through the night.

### **FoHBS Copper Trail**

Don't forget your coppers for our copper trail which is being launched at our summer Fair on June 16<sup>th</sup>. There is a bucket outside the school office to put your coppers in. Please support. Thank you.

### **Herts County Show**

We still have children's tickets for sale for the Herts County Show on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> May at £2 each. Please pop to the office if you would like any.

### **Head Teacher Questions**

No questions this week.

### **Pupil Achievement**

Congratulations Cedar and Hazel classes on 100% attendance this week.

### **Headteacher awards**

#### **Oak**

*Sienna- for showing persistence in all her work*

*Saffron- for showing self-belief in her writing*

#### **Chestnut**

*Kiara- for a consistent, fantastic attitude to learning*

*Joseph- for settling in so well to Chestnut class*

#### **Elm**

*Lucy- for showing positivity and putting lots of effort into her work*

*Aidan- for trying hard and showing a growth mindset*

#### **Cedar**

*Georgia- for putting lots of effort into her writing*

*Daniel- for showing a positive attitude in his reading*

#### **Hazel**

*Cerys- for always showing self-belief*

*Riley- for listening carefully to instructions*

#### **Willow**

*Sam- for writing a fantastic diary entry*

*Shannon- for always showing the value of self-belief*

#### **Birch**

*Ella- for approaching her learning with more self-belief*

*James- for showing enthusiasm for learning*

### Redwood

*Sophie- for always pushing herself in maths*

*Christopher- for always having a go and believing in himself*

### Maple

*Sam- for having an excellent attitude in school*

*Luca- for working really well in maths*

### Pine

*Cassie- for showing great perseverance during science this week*

*Belle- for always being an excellent class role model*

### Ash

*Leela- for really concentrating and trying hard in maths*

*Seth- for working hard to find word classes in English*

### Sycamore

*Benji- for great team work in STEM challenges*

*Ted J- for great team work in STEM challenges*

*Have a lovely weekend.*

*Best wishes,*

*S. Lawrence*

Headteacher

### Diary dates-updates in red

**14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> May- Year 6 SATs test week**

**17<sup>th</sup> May 9am - Vision and aims meeting – new date**

**21<sup>st</sup> May- Sports day-Infants morning 9.15am, Juniors afternoon 1.20pm + second hand school uniform sale**

**22<sup>nd</sup> May- Class photos**

**23<sup>rd</sup> May- Sports day reserve**

**25<sup>th</sup> May-INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED**

**28<sup>th</sup> May- 1<sup>st</sup> June- Half term holiday**

**6<sup>th</sup> June- Legal eagles in year 6**

**7<sup>th</sup> June- Food waste Ninjas workshop.**

**7<sup>th</sup> June- pm Rounders tournament**

**11<sup>th</sup> June- Year 1 phonics assessment week**

**13<sup>th</sup> June-15<sup>th</sup> June- Pine class to Dell Farm**

**14<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am Sycamore class Assembly**

**15<sup>th</sup> June – EYFS Fathers' Day Morning 9am – 10am**

**16<sup>th</sup> June- FoHBS Summer Fair**

**19<sup>th</sup> June-Harpenden and District Kwik cricket festival**

**19<sup>th</sup> June- Year 1 to Woburn Safari Park**

**20<sup>th</sup> June-22<sup>nd</sup> June- Maple class to Dell Farm**

**21<sup>st</sup> June-Harpenden and District Kwik cricket festival reserve date**

**26<sup>th</sup> June- District Sports**

**28<sup>th</sup> June- Hazel class assembly**

**29<sup>th</sup> June- FoHBS Summer disco – non-school uniform day**

**5<sup>th</sup> July- Willow class assembly**

**6<sup>th</sup> July- Ash class assembly**

**11<sup>th</sup> July- Speakers cup finals day**

**12<sup>th</sup> July- Secondary transfer day**

**17<sup>th</sup> July- Tea party for volunteer helpers – 3.15pm – 4.15pm – note change of date**

**18<sup>th</sup> July- High Beeches Got Talent (HBGT)**

**20<sup>th</sup> July - 9am- Year 6 leavers assembly**

**20<sup>th</sup> July 2pm - end of term**