



"Making learning an adventure"
Newsletter 6th July 2018

Our value for this half term is Confidence

Dear Parents/Carers,

High Beeches News

Another very busy, and hot, week at High Beeches! Our new reception children visited this week and had a lovely time exploring their new classrooms and getting to know their teachers. We were treated to a lovely, and very informative, class assembly from Willow class about habitats. This morning, Ash class shared their wonderful poetry about Cats in their very polished assembly.

On Thursday evening, I attended the SJL summer concert. Marcus, Thomas N, Chloe, Clover and Elise rehearsed and performed with the SJL band as part of their saxophone transition project. Well done to them and a massive thank you to Suzi Walton for introducing and implementing this excellent project into High Beeches.

Next week

The last 2 weeks of the academic year are always very busy! On Wednesday 11th July, we have our Speaker's cup finals- KS1 9.15am and KS2 1.30pm. Also on Wednesday, Mr Fellowes will be leading his Leaver's assembly at 10.30am for children and staff. On Thursday 12th July, Year 6 will be visiting their new Secondary Schools and we will also have a transfer time on that day so that the children can spend some time with their new teachers. Also on the 12th we have our open classrooms from 3.15pm-4.30pm which parents/carers are most welcome to attend.

As the forecast for next week continues to be hot, we will continue to encourage children to wear PE kits. They are still welcome to wear their summer dresses or polo shirts/shorts/skirts if they would like to. Please stick to these options only and please remember socks should be worn at all times in school (not trainer socks). We will judge the situation on a daily basis so please check your text messages for any updates. Please also ensure your child has all-day sunscreen applied before they come to school, and that they bring their water bottles and sun hats.

Scooters

Please could parents ensure that young children are using scooters safely on the pavements around the school premises. Thank you.

Payments

All payments should have now been settled, please check you do not have anything outstanding ie lunches, milk – final day for Year 5 PGL is next Tuesday, please make sure payment is made by this date. Thank you.

Harpenden Plus

Harpenden Plus Partnership are running some FREE parenting courses/workshops focused upon Living with an anxious child and the Parenting puzzle- a 10 week programme. To register your interest in any of the courses, or if you have any questions, please email jfosteredwards@saunceywood.herts.sch.uk or contact us on 01582 623676 or 07985 330941. You will be sent a booking form and your place will be confirmed on receipt of your booking form and deposit. Places will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

Staff news

In case you missed my earlier message this week, Mrs O Kelly will be leaving us at the end of this term. I am sure you join me in wishing her every success at her new school and thank her for all her hard work and commitment to High Beeches.

Classes for next year are as follows:

New Chestnut – Miss Knights

New Oak – Mrs Burnham

Chestnut will be Elm – Miss Norman

Oak will be Cedar – Mrs Cunningham

Elm will be Willow – Mrs Priolo

Cedar will be Hazel – Miss Davies

Hazel will be Birch – Miss Jackson

Willow will be Redwood – Mr Gardiner

Birch will be Maple – Miss Pascoe

Redwood will be Pine – Mr Young

Maple will be Ash – Mr Edney

Pine will be Hawthorn – Miss Wills

Ash will be Sycamore – Mrs Jordan

Head Teacher Questions

No questions this week.

Pupil Achievement.

Well done to:

Marcus, in year 6, has passed his grade 3 piano exam.

Chloe, Clover, Dan, Daniel, Elise, Marcus and Thomas, all passed their Grade 2 saxophone exams.

Apologies for missing from last week – Elise, Y6 came first in the standing triple Jump at the Schools' Athletics meeting last week.

Well done to you all.

Freya in year 6 is performing in Annie's on the run" on Thursday evening at the public Halls. Well done Freya- I am sure you will be amazing!

Headteacher awards

Oak

Emily- for showing an increased confidence in all areas

Caleb- for always being kind and helpful

Chestnut

George- for showing confidence in all areas of learning

Isla- for always trying her hardest in all her work

Elm

Peter- for always being an enthusiastic and positive member of Elm class

Frank- for always being an enthusiastic and positive member of Elm class

Cedar

Isla- for a positive attitude and trying her best

Edward- for a positive attitude and always trying his hardest in all areas

Hazel

Bella- for always being a helpful partner

Matthew- for putting so much effort into his work

Willow

For the Whole class. Congratulations on a wonderful assembly. Everyone worked hard to produce a great performance

Birch

James- for always approaching his learning with imagination

Timo- for increasing in confidence and working hard

Redwood

Shona- for having confidence in her learning

George- for being an excellent help in the classroom, particularly when using iPads

Maple

Zach- for pushing himself with the hardest challenges in maths

Olly- for increasing his confidence in maths and always being willing to have a go

Pine

Yvie- for continuing to show increased confidence in maths

Jamie- for continuing to show amazing growth mindset in maths

Ash

Joe- for working hard and showing great improvement in the class assembly

Ben- for taking a risk and showing improvement in English

Sycamore

Dan- for being back to his usual, bubbly self this week

Chloe- for great confidence in production rehearsals

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

S. Lawrence

Headteacher

Diary dates-updates in red

11th July- Speakers cup finals day

12th July- Secondary transfer day

12th July 3.15pm-4.30pm- Open classrooms

13th July 10.30am – Violin assembly (Mrs Lewis-Lim)

16th and 17th July- Year 6 performance

17th July- Tea party for volunteer helpers – 3.15pm – 4.15pm

18th July- High Beeches Got Talent (HBGT)

20th July - 9am- Year 6 leavers assembly

20th July 2pm - end of term

3rd and 4th September -INSET

5th September- Term starts