

BEECHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Week Beginning - 27th September 2021



Attendance & Punctuality

The *minimum expected attendance at school is 96%*. Last week, unfortunately, our overall attendance dropped again to **93.3%**. We really need this to increase as attendance below 90% is considered persistent absence. On a positive note, well done to **Oak Class** again for having the highest attendance last week at 98.1%.

School **starts at 8.45am** so children need to be in their classrooms before this time. The classroom doors open at 8.40am each morning. The gates will be locked at 8.50am so any child arriving onto the school grounds after 8.50am will need to go to the main office and discuss the reasons for their late arrival with the safeguarding lead.

Bike and Scooter Shed

Mr. Millington, our site maintenance officer, has now finished the bike and scooter shed. He has done a fantastic job recycling wood from our old nursery. If you haven't spotted it yet, it is set back from the walkway that leads to the infant playground. Please encourage your children to use this and please make sure that they secure their bike or scooter with a lock.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Thank you to all of the parents, carers and extended family that supported our annual Macmillan event. It was brilliantly attended and we managed to raise £694.18 for a very deserving charity. Well done to Mrs Dunn for winning the Staff Bake Off, Alice in Year 2 for winning the Child Bake Off and Dylan in Year 4 for winning guess the weight of the cake. A HUGE thank you not only for your support but also for your generous cake donations.

School Dinner Menu

This week will be **Week 1** on the dinner menu. A copy of the menu can be seen on the menu tab of the school website. The new autumn/winter menu is just being finalised and will start after the half term holiday.

Snack/Lunch Payments

Please make sure that payments for snack and lunch are paid for via the School Gateway app. If there is a specific reason why you cannot do this, please speak to the school office. We are trying hard to be a cash free school and need parental support with paying for snack, school dinners and school visits on the app.

Dropping Off/Collecting Children

Can parents and carers please continue to be aware of social distancing. There are quite a few parents gathering around classroom doors and the gate at drop off and collection times. Please try to maintain social distancing and leave space for children to enter their classrooms easily. Remember that the side gate is also open in the morning to help the flow of people out of the school yard.

Diary Dates

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>VENUE/INFORMATION</u>
Phonics Day	Friday 1 st October	All day	Pupils in Reception, Y1 and Y2.
Harvest Assembly for St. Pauls' Pantry	Monday 4 th October	Morning	Food donations appreciated.
Favourite Food Day	Thursday 7 th October	Lunchtime	
Maths Day	Friday 15 th October	All day	Parents invited in (more details to follow)

Have a lovely week,

Mrs. Harper x