BEECHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL WELCOME BACK

Week Beginning - 14th January 2019

Welcome back after the Christmas break.

Attendance & Punctuality

The minimum expected attendance at school is 96%. Last term, our overall attendance was an impressive 96.3%. In order for this to continue, please try to ensure that your child attends school regularly and is punctual. School starts at 8.55am so children need to be in their classrooms before this time. The classroom doors open at 8.45am each morning. Your child cannot be left alone on the school playground as there is no supervision before school.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is now open from 7.45am each morning for a cost of £1 per child per day. The children will be given cereal, toast and a drink when they arrive if they wish. Food, however, will only be available until 8.20am.

Packed Lunch from Home

If your child has a packed lunch from home, we will now be asking them to take all uneaten food and packaging home in their lunch bag. A great deal of uneaten food is being thrown in the school bins each day and we are unable to locate who has been doing this. If children bring their uneaten food home, then parents/carers will be able to see what their child has and hasn't eaten.

After School Clubs

New after school clubs start this week. Letters have been sent out for Cross Country, Good Grub, Cheerleading, Drama, Football, Netball, Chess and Needle Felting.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform each day for school and that it is <u>ALL</u> clearly labelled, especially coats. Leggings, trainers other than all black, large coloured bows and grey jumpers are <u>NOT</u> part of the school uniform and should <u>NOT</u> be worn. Black school shoes or completely black trainers are the only acceptable footwear.

Collecting Children- Ensuring the safety of our children

Please note that children under the age of 8 years can only be collected from school by a responsible adult, over the age of 18 years. For reasons of safety, we cannot release children to anyone younger than this age or let your child walk home alone without written consent.

Dapper App

We have had an app designed that will link to our school website in the hope that the system will be more efficient and we can reduce the amount of paper being handed out to our children. This app is now ready and will hopefully go live very soon. We will let you know further information when it is available.

Additional Homework Books

When we asked parent to complete a questionnaire in July, several parents requested more homework for their children. With this in mind, I have put together an order form for additional workbooks for English and maths. If we order them in bulk as a school, we get a significant discount and the books work out between £2.50 and £3.95 per book. Order forms are available at the school office.

School Visits

We are changing the protocol for school visits. We now require permission slips and money to be returned to school <u>together</u>. Permission slips will not be accepted without the deposit or full payment for the visit being made at the same time. If there are any issues with this, I will be happy to discuss it further on an individual basis.

Mrs. Harper