



Beechwood Primary News



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House Points

Kagan
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DeBono
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Costa
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Hyerle
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*Well done to the children in
Costa*

Welcome

We would like to say a warm welcome to our new Reception children and their families. We are so pleased with how well the Reception children have settled into 'big school' this half term. They are making lots of new friends and trying their very best. All staff are very pleased and look forward to a fun filled year ahead!

We have welcomed Miss Hughes to our teaching team this term. Miss Hughes teaches our Malala class (Y5). We have also welcomed Ms Sherman and Mrs Charlton to our Teaching Assistant team and Miss Cass to our Mid Day Assistant team.

Charity Officers

We would like to say a massive well done to our Year 6 Charity Officers, Amber and Emily. They have worked really hard this half term organising two charity events. The McMillan cake sale that they organised was the most successful one that the school has ever had, they raised an impressive £383.26 - well done girls and thank you to all of the families that supported us through both donations and purchasing the items. In addition to this they have also arranged our Harvest Festival collection, collecting items for Runcorn Food Bank. Thank you to everyone who donated items.

Safeguarding

Do you have a concern about a child in Beechwood but you're not sure if you should say anything? On our school website there is a new reporting tool for reporting any concerns that you may have to school. You can also submit your concerns anonymously this way if you would prefer. You can find this by clicking on the 'safeguarding' page on our website, cookies need to be enabled for the Whisper tool to work.

Alternatively you can send a message through Seesaw to any member of staff regarding any concerns that you may have.

Congratulations to....

Isaac, Layla & Henry (YR),
Alyssia & Millie (Y1),
Vega, Freddie & Oscar (Y2),
Sophie & Zachary (Y3), Emily & Lois (Y4),
Phoebe & Chloe (Y5), Olivia & James (Y6).

For their excellent work this half term, keep up the hard work!

Thank you!

We would like to say thank you to all families for the support that you have shown this term with all of the additional safety measures that we still need to have in place at school. The support is really helping our school community to remain safe whilst levels are high across Halton.

Arts

Remembrance Day- This half term, all of our children have made poppies and Remembrance themed art work. These poppies and pieces of art work have now been taken to Runcorn Shopping City to be displayed in their Remembrance Garden. The display will be in the Town Square area of Runcorn Shopping City in November for everyone to see.

Book Week- During the last week of the half term, all of our classes have had the opportunity to work with an artist - Kim. Each class has chosen a book and created art work and creative writing linked to the book for our library displays. We look forward to sharing photos of the final finished displays with you.

Music - Our Year 4 children have enjoyed their first instrumental lessons, they are starting their instrumental life on brass instruments and have had the opportunity to try different ones to see which is the right one for them. Our Year 5 children have now moved onto woodwind. They are all learning the clarinet and have learnt that it can be very squeaky if you don't have the correct mouth position! Year 6 are now selecting their preferred instrument and we have a mix of brass and woodwind and after half term percussion will be introduced too.

Class News

Mandela Class have used the book *How to Live Forever*, to inspire their creative writing. They worked hard writing instructions on how to create an immortality potion and transferred their zentangle art learning across the curriculum using these new skills to design their potion bottles.

Malala Class have enjoyed exploring *Wallace and Gromit* during book week, creating their own blue prints for their own useful inventions. They have amazed us with inventions such as a Wardrobe-a-thon and a vending machine-a-thon.

Hawking Class have enjoyed their swimming lessons this half term. They have also enjoyed listening to and discussing their class text - *Cloud Busting*. This book has been teaching them all about Growth Mindset and working together to overcome problems. Miss Collins has been really impressed with the level of discussion from this book.

Pankhurst Class have enjoyed using the book *Leon and The Place Between* to inspire some animal themed art, poetry and information text.

Attenborough Class We would like to say a special well done to our children in Attenborough Class for their amazing class assembly. Due to all of the restrictions over the last two years this was their very first class assembly. We are so proud of each and every child, they performed with confidence and even managed to bring tears to a few eyes they were that good! Well done Attenborough

Rosen Class have enjoyed another half term in the forest area. Mrs Woodcock has shown us how to whittle a stick and so we made our own marshmallow skewers. During our final session we had a campfire and toasted marshmallows using our homemade skewers. We will now miss our fun outside and already look forward to forest school in Year 2!

Picasso Class have also been taking part in forest schools sessions this half term. They have spent their time exploring the forest school area, 'cooking' mud pies in the mud kitchen and having a great time. They have been enjoying learning the story of *The Enormous Turnip* too.

Lewis Carroll Class have had a busy half term. They have been working hard to build new friendships and during Forest Schools it has been fantastic to see the children playing and working as a team. ELSA - Monty the Monkey came to visit our Lewis Carroll class and has been working with the children to develop their teamwork and listening skills. The children also really enjoyed pumpkin carving in class and turned our role play area into a Spooky Shop!

House Captains

Congratulations to our new Year 6 House Captains: De-Bono - Elsa & Emily, Costa - Jacob & Abigail, Kagan - Charlie Hi & Ava Hyerle - James & Sebastian

PTA

Our PTA have been working hard to come up with creative fundraising activities. This half term our children had a spooktacular time at the Halloween Disco! They all looked fantastic in their costumes and amazed us with their dancing skills. Thank you to all of the parents who volunteered to help, we had a fantastic return for helpers.

Thank you to everyone who donated a bottle on our non-uniform day, these bottles will be used during our Christmas activities.

Thank you to Michelle Edwards and Mike Bolton-Burrows for taking the calendar photos and to the parents for providing the children with fantastic outfits. The photos all looked brilliant and we can't wait to see the final calendar.

Finally a special thank you to Kelly Campbell, Kirsty Ap-Carreg, Karen McIntyre and Emma Illing for all of their hard work pulling all of the events and activities together.