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# **Beechwood Primary News**

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## <u>Volunteers</u>

Calling all parents or grandparents. Do you have a morning or an afternoon to spare each week or each fortnight? If you do and would like to help out in school please let us know. Don't worry you don't need to have a particular skill, we are always looking for help with different activities such as cooking, reading with the children or supporting the younger children to access their areas of learning. As part of our Safeguarding processes, we would need to do is complete a DBS for you this is just a form that enables us to check that you are safe to work with children.

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## Welcome back

Next half term we welcome Miss Wensley back, she will be returning into Y3/4. We also welcome back Mrs Horan who will be working with Y2, Y6 and YR for the next half term.

## <u>Sleepover</u>

This years sleep over was a great success, we had 93 children sleeping over at school and the staff even managed to get some sleep! The children had a great time playing games, having their hair and nails done, watching movies and of course eating popcorn! A huge thanks to all of the parents who helped with the evening session and the breakfast rush and to the PTA for organising it.

## Congratulations to....

Abigail & Jessica (YR) Phoebe & Josh (Y1), Kiera & Bethany (Y2), Dylan & Jack (Y3), Shane & Maddie(Y4), Alex C & Charlotte (Y5), Cerys & Niamh (Y6). For their excellent work this half term, keep up the hard work!

## Learning Journey's

Thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who attended the Learning Journey's. The children really enjoyed sharing their work and we received some valuable feedback .

## <u>Twitter</u>

If you want to keep up to date with day to day life at Beechwood, follow us on our school twitter account @Beechwoodnews1, where we share the children's work and achievements. If you want to follow us please verify your twitter username by sending a text to school.





#### Highland Games

A selection of Y5/6 children thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the Highland Games competition where they leaped, jumped and ran to compete against lots of other schools from Halton. We are so proud of all the children for their excellent sportsmanship throughout the event. Well done Y5/6!

#### <u>Table Tennis</u>

A selection of Y5/6 children represented out school at the Halton Table Tennis tournament. This was only our second time entering this event. The children were brilliant throughout the tournament and they came a very impressive second! Well done to all.

#### <u>High 5</u>

A selection of Y5/6 children have been taking part in the Runcorn Primary Schools league, as we go to print we are undefeated!

#### <u>Handball</u>

Year 6 were offered a great experience to learn how to play the new sport of handball at The Heath. The children loved this game and worked really hard whilst they were there. The staff at The Heath made the children feel very welcome and they have learnt games which they can bring back to play at school.

## Health & Fitness

#### <u>Healthitude</u>

Year 6 have been participating in a 'Healthitude' programme for the last 5 weeks, this programme has developed the children's knowledge about healthy eating, sugars, cyber bullying, smoking and alcohol. The children have thoroughly enjoyed these sessions asking a number of thoughtful and inquisitive questions. This programme is aimed at allowing the children to make to informed choices. They were all shocked at the amount of sugars that were hidden in drinks especially energy drinks! Healthy Club

The Infant children and families were given the opportunity to take part in a range of sporting activities organised by Ste Woods. The sessions were great fun with all learning new skills. We would like to thank the parents and grandparents for joining in!

### **Excellence Week**

As part of our 40th Birthday celebrations the children have continued to take a trip down memory lane. Thank you to all of the families that have sent in old photographs from their time at Beechwood the children have really enjoyed looking at them and using them to find out about our school. This half term the focus has been on school life in the 1980's.

This week the children have participated in a range of different activities, from designing the top of our Birthday cake to dancing to some old favourites from the 80's Year 4/5

Year 4/5 have worked hard this week recreating the school in its many different forms. Over the years we have had 5 different layouts. The children have used accurate measuring, cutting and gluing skills to create models of the building. This activity has taken longer than anticipated so they will continue to develop these models over the next half term, ready to share with parents at our celebration events.

Thank you to the PTA for buying sweets and drinks for the Pantomime, the children really appreciated them!

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